



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 13th December 2019

Nativity Performances

A very well done to our Nursery children who performed their Nativity on Tuesday. It was lovely to see how confident they have become since starting school in September.

Yesterday, our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children performed another wonderful Nativity for their parents and carers. They sang and spoke beautifully and it was lovely to see them wearing the new costumes the school bought.

Both performances were wonderful—well done to the children and staff.

Carol Service

Everyone is welcome to our Carol Service on Wednesday 18th at 10:30am in the church. This will be led by Y4.

Christmas Jingle Day

Remember to send your child in with £1 on Tuesday. Children need to wear school uniform but may also wear a Christmas accessory such as a Santa hat, boppers, Christmas socks etc. Alternatively, they may wear a Christmas jumper over their uniform. The money raised will go towards buying some iPads for the school.



Choir

Our choir sang at the New Addington Pop In Centre yesterday, singing a selection of traditional and more modern carols.

Today, the choir sang in the Whitgift Centre to raise money for HCPT, a charity which sends children with disabilities to Lourdes each year.

A graphic for Christmas Lunch with a dark blue starry background and silhouettes of a nativity scene. The text lists the menu items.

Christmas Lunch

Roast Turkey Breast served with Sage & Onion Stuffing
Or
Vegetable Parcel served with Sage & Onion Stuffing

Roast Potatoes, Peas, Carrots, Sweetcorn & Gravy

Festive Chocolate Cake
Christmas Biscuits
Seasonal Jelly

Clubs

To avoid any delay or disappointment when booking afterschool clubs next term, please make sure you have downloaded the 'school gateway' app which looks like this:



Or alternatively log onto the following site on your PC <https://schoolgateway.co.uk> and create an account.

The school must have the correct mobile number and email address on our system to enable you to create an account.

Only 55.4% of parents have registered so far. Have you?

Respect

Responsibility

Determination

Positivity

Teamwork

Fr Con's Reflection

Thursday of this week (12th December) marks the celebration of Our lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the unborn. She is the leading character of this Advent season, for in the very first Advent season the son of God was waiting to be born.

This Sunday, 15th December, is Gaudete Sunday, Rejoicing Sunday. It is seen as a day of break from Advent preparations or penance, in order to rejoice at the imminent commemoration of the birth of God's Only Begotten Son.

Let us ask God in prayer for an increase in our spiritual joyfulness. That will then be the appropriate base for Christmas season enjoyments.



Poetry competition

Well done to all the children in Y3 and Y5 who performed in the poetry competition last week. Having the confidence to stand up and speak in front of a hall full of people is a great life skill.

Our Cafod collection so far:

Nursery: £11.20	Year 3: £53.64	★
Reception: £14.00	Year 4: £12.36	
Year 1: £8.04	Year 5: £6.32	
Year 2: £3.70	Year 6: £5.97	

It's not too late to send in money so we can buy Cafod's World Gifts to help others around the world <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/>. Please send in any money by Wednesday morning.

Remember the Christmas Elves are coming to school on Monday!



Safety Reminder:

Please don't stop on the yellow zig zags as it makes it very unsafe for all our families.

Menu changes next week

Please note that there will be some changes to the menu next week:

Tuesday—Christmas lunch day

Wednesday—bolognese and pasta, vegetable biryani, jacket potatoes, baguettes, sticky toffee pudding

Thursday—fish and chips, pizza

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Birthdays

I remind that children should not bring in cake, sweets or party bags if it is their birthday or another celebration.

Instead, you are welcome to donate a book to their class book corner.



Headteacher Awards

Well done to the following children who have worked so hard this week and had great behaviour:



Reception: Makamona & Marvellous

Year 1: Madison & Delwin

Year 2: Eden & Daniel

Year 3: The whole class

Year 4: Angel & Jayden M

Year 5: Daniel & Joseph

Year 6: Aaron & Elaine

*Have a lovely weekend,
remember, school closes for
Christmas on*

Thursday at 1:15pm

Mrs Day