



# Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 14th February 2020

## Online safety

This Tuesday was Safer Internet Day. We are all aware that the internet can be a fantastic resource but one that needs to be used safely. In class, the children have looked at different aspects of how they can work and play online in a safe manner. Overleaf is an 'Online Safety Tips for Children' sheet. Please talk about this with your own children and about keeping safe.

## Considerate parking

We have had a phone call from one of our close neighbours about parents blocking their driveway. Please ensure that you park in a way which allows the residents of Dunley Drive to come and go when they need to.

## Infection control - Coronavirus

Public Health England and the Department of Health have begun a UK-wide public information campaign to help slow the spread of the virus and they have detailed some important steps we can all take to protect ourselves and others from viruses and germs.

- Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.
- Bin the tissue, and to kill the germs, wash your hands with soap and water, or use a sanitiser gel.
- If you, colleagues, or pupils have arrived back from China within 14 days follow the specific advice for returning travellers.
- Following these steps will help slow the spread of almost any germs, including coronavirus.

Information about coronavirus:

- Coronavirus presents with flu-like symptoms including a fever, a cough or difficulty breathing. Anyone with any concerns is advised to follow NHS advice or call NHS 111.
- Calling NHS 111 as a first step reduces the risks of viruses spreading unnecessarily, particularly in public spaces like hospitals and GP surgeries – helping to protect some of our most vulnerable residents.
- To find out the latest about coronavirus, and for specific health advice regarding people that have recently travelled in China, visit the gov.uk webpages.

Further information from the London Borough of Croydon can be found at

<https://intranet.croydon.gov.uk/news/help-prevent-spread-coronavirus>

Children and young people should be reminded of the usual infection control measures, especially good hand hygiene. The World Health Organisation has produced the following film clip to show proper handwashing technique:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3PmVJQUCm4E>

Younger children may find this handwashing song helpful:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zxlQn7KaCNU>

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*Responsibility*

*Determination*

*Positivity*

*Teamwork*

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# Online Safety Tips For Children



Do's



## 1 KEEP YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION PRIVATE ONLINE

Only share it with people you know like friends and family. Ask a trusted adult, like your teacher or a family member, to help you change your privacy settings so that strangers can't see it.

## 2 SPEAK POLITELY AND BE KIND TO OTHERS WHEN YOU SPEAK TO THEM ONLINE

Treat them like you would treat them in real life and always remember your manners.

## 3 TELL A TRUSTED ADULT IF YOU ARE BEING BULLIED ONLINE

If other another person is sending you nasty messages, a trusted adult will be able to help you collect evidence and report the person to the relevant authorities.

## 4 USE PASSWORDS TO PROTECT YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

Ask a trusted adult to help you create a password that you can easily remember but which is hard for other people to guess.

## 5 ALWAYS CHECK WITH A TRUSTED ADULT FIRST BEFORE USING A DEVICE OR DOWNLOADING A NEW APP

This is so that they can check it is safe for you to use and make sure the privacy settings are right.

## 6 TELL A TRUSTED ADULT IF YOU SEE SOMETHING ONLINE WHICH YOU DON'T LIKE

This can include anything that upsets you, makes you feel sad or which you're unsure about.

## 7 USE THE INTERNET TO HAVE FUN AND TO HELP YOU FIND OUT INFORMATION ABOUT THINGS

Remember to ask your trusted adult for help and always use child friendly search engines so that the information you get back is safe.

Don'ts



## 1 ACCEPT FRIEND REQUESTS FROM STRANGERS OR PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW

Always tell a trusted adult if somebody you don't know tries to contact you online.

## 2 SPEND TOO MUCH TIME ON YOUR DEVICE

Instead, go out and play with your friends, get some fresh air and try to exercise more. This will help you stay fit and healthy.

## 3 REPLY TO MESSAGES FROM ONLINE BULLIES OR PEOPLE WHO SEND YOU NASTY MESSAGES

The most important thing to do is to tell a trusted adult and then block the person from contacting you.

## 4 COPY PEOPLE'S WORK ONLINE OR PRETEND IT IS YOURS

This is called plagiarism and can get you into a lot of trouble.

## 5 BE MEAN OR NASTY ONLINE

Behave online like you would in real life and don't post anything that can make you look like a bad person. Things that you post online can stay there for a very long time.

## 6 USE YOUR DEVICES CLOSE TO BEDTIME

This will allow your brain to rest so that you can get a good night's sleep, stay focused at school and perform better in class.

## 7 SHARE PERSONAL INFORMATION ON THE INTERNET WITH STRANGERS

Always tell a trusted adult if somebody you don't know asks you for your personal information.



## Fr Con's Reflection

On Tuesday of this week, February 11<sup>th</sup>, the worldwide Catholic Church celebrated Our Lady of Lourdes. That day has been designated "World Day of Prayer for the sick".

The outbreak of Coronavirus in China and, to date, its spread far and wide and quickly, has emphasised just how much the world is a global village.

This current health situation underlines our need to pray for good health, for ourselves, our families and for all others – and not to take good health for granted, without giving thanks to God for it.

She is our great intercessor before God's throne, before the throne(s) of God as Trinity. We do not worship her because worship is for God, and to God alone. We venerate her as the greatest person ever born out of the human race.



## Active Club

Before school and after school childcare at Good Shepherd 7:30am-5:45pm:

<http://sportsactivecoaching.co.uk/active-schools/active-club/>

## Term dates

The Governors have approved the dates for 2020-2021 which are attached.

## Good Shepherd dress up day Tuesday 3rd March

This year's theme in the Catholic church is The Year of the Word so we are asking everyone to come dressed as a Bible character or as something linked to one of the stories in the Bible on Tuesday 3rd March. Here are some ideas:

*One of the animals from Noah's ark*

*The star of Bethlehem* Mary

*An Apostle* Angel Gabriel

*Joseph and the dream coat* Moses

*A shepherd* Loaves and fish

We will be having a whole school assembly on Tuesday 3rd March at 9:15am to celebrate everyone's Bible-themed costumes. Please come along and join us on this special day, all parents and carers are very welcome.

## Headteacher Awards

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



Reception: Messie, Udel

Year 1: Isaiah, Kadiann

Year 2: LJ, Alimat

Year 3: Aaliyah, Nathanael

Year 4: Emilie-Anne, Akin

Year 5: Shai-Nefer, Julia

Year 6: Princess, Beatriz

Spanish: Erin, Oliver, Jayda, Isabella,  
Angel, Andre

## Attendance and Punctuality

Overall attendance this year: 97.3%

Best attendance this week: Y4 (99.4%)

Best punctuality this week: Y5 (100%)

Well done and keep it up!



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*Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Day*