

## **Good Shepherd Newsletter**

Friday 26th September 2025

### Learning together as part of God's family

## Be kind and respectful

#### **Chaplaincy Team**

Well done to the successful applicants of this year's chaplaincy team:

They will be working with me each week on the Catholic Life and Mission of the school as well as leading Prayer and Liturgy for the younger children.

Ademilola

Avaeyah Christable Esmerelda

Josiah Joy Juanita
Judah Keziah-Rose Kyriacos
Marie Mateo Otiwaah
Sahrina Safaah Zarah

Sabrina Sefaah Zarah



## St George's Cathedral Mass



Five children represented the school at the Diocesan Mass this week along with pupils from hundreds of other Catholic primary and secondary schools in the South East.

Their behaviour was excellent so well done to Yeabhne, Atanas, Tiffany, Elianna and Sefaah.

#### Friends of Good Shepherd FROGS)

Thank you for making our Cake sale a success!

We're so grateful to Tesco's, Purley for giving us a £25 gift card, to buy cakes.

Tesco's, Elmer's End for giving us a tasty selection of cakes.

Dasharna for her beautiful handmade cupcakes.

And to everyone else who donated or bought cakes from our stalls.

Everything was delicious and loved by all, enabling us to raise valuable funds for our school. We truly appreciate your support.





#### **Uniform Reminders**

A number of children are receiving reminders at school from staff about their uniform.

These are the most common:

- All children should have a Good Shepherd bookbag or ruck sack
- Children in Y3, 4, 5, 6 are expected to wear a tie every day
- On PE days, children should wear a plain navy sweatshirt over their PE t-shirt and not their grey jumper/cardigan

Respect Responsibility Determination Positivity Teamwork

#### **Headteacher and Kindness Awards**

Well done to the following children who have worked hard, had great behaviour or have shown great kindness and thoughtfulness to others:

	Headteacher Award:	Kindness Award:
R:	Arliya, Theo,	Yakub
Y1:	Chizaram, Sadie,	Grace
Y2:	Daniel, Ryan,	Augustine
Y3:	Annette, Sophia,	Freya,
		Oluwadarasimi
Y4:	Jaaziel, Zeah,	Annabel, Natalio,
		Vanessa
Y5:	Christable, Mateo,	Otiwaah
Y6:	Daniel, Rashaad,	David
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#### Friends of Good Shepherd FROGS) cont.

World Teachers Day! -Dress up as a Teacher on Monday 6th October

Join us in celebrating our teachers! To mark World Teacher's Day, All children are invited to come to school dressed up as a teacher for £1. Its a fun and thoughtful way, to say thank you and celebrate the amazing role teachers play in their lives. Please ensure outfits are comfortable and suitable as it will be a normal school day.

# Non - Uniform Day and Light Party (school disco)

Tuesday 21st October in the main and infant hall.

To show that Jesus is the Light of the World, the whole school is encouraged to wear bright colourful clothes as this will be a non-uniform day.

After school, children from Reception to Year 6 are invited to the annual Light Party,3.15pm - 4.30pm. We will be lighting up the afternoon with music, games, snacks and fun! To ensure your child's place, please make a payment of £2.50 per child, via Parent Pay by Friday 18th October at 12pm.

#### Harvest

Please send in tins of food or some toiletries for our harvest collection in the hall. Thank you.



## **School Photographs**

A reminder that Tuesday 30th September is the deadline for ordering the school photograph.

#### Fr Con's Reflection

In the next school week, we have two Feast days concerning Angels.



Monday September 29<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the 3 leading Archangels: MICHAEL (meaning "LIKE UNTO GOD"); GABRIEL (meaning "STRENGTH OF GOD"); RAPHAEL (meaning "HEALING OF GOD").

We discern from these 3 that the Angels in Heaven are in ranks.

On Thursday, October 2nd, we have the Feast of the Guardian Angels.

In Heaven, we will be totally captivated by the Holy Face of God which lights up the whole of eternity. (Sun, moon and stars are not needed there!)

Additionally in Heaven, how wonderful it would be for each of us to have a 1-2-1 encounter with our individual Guardian Angel. (We refer to our Angel as "he" but angels do not have gender - they are spirits). It would be so enlightening for each of us to personally be told how our Guardian Angel kept us safe on so many occasions, about which we were blissfully aware!

For now, let us always reverence our Guardian Angel.

If you need to contact the office, please email or telephone 01689 841 771 office@goodshepherd.croydon.sch.uk

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Day