



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 10th March 2023

Infant Choir

The Year 2 children took part in an infant choir festival at the Fairfield Halls on Wednesday evening. This was a wonderful experience for them to perform in front of such a large audience and also to be part of a large choir made up of around 20 other schools.



The whole school were treated to a mini concert during assembly this morning.

Their behaviour was exemplary throughout the concert and they were a credit to Good Shepherd—very well done.



Juggling Workshops

Children in Year 3 and Year 4 started learning how to juggle last week and had their second session today. Thank you to Miss Minaye, one of our parents, for sharing her expertise with Good Shepherd.



Starfish Malawi

Good Shepherd has built a partnership with the charity Starfish Malawi.

Starfish currently link 30 primary schools in the UK with the same number in Malawi through educational partnerships to develop global citizenship for children in both countries.

On Monday, Cathy Penfold from Starfish came in and delivered an engaging assembly about water to the whole school. She also carried out workshops in Years 3, 4 and 5, showing the importance of clean water and how the people of Malawi use water compared to us.

If possible, please can you send in any spare reusable water bottles before the Easter holidays so we can donate them to our link school in Malawi.

The bottle can be any shape or colour but please ensure it has been washed and is in fairly-good condition.

Bring your old water bottles to school!

Information about this charity can be found on their website: [Starfish Malawi](https://www.starfishmalawi.org/)



P.E. Kits

A reminder that all children must bring their P.E. kits to school on a Monday morning and not bring them home until Friday afternoon. This means that they have them in school for their regular P.E. as well as frequent ad hoc lessons.

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: |
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| R: Adepa, Peter, | Christabel |
| Y1: Zennia, Zofia, | Adam |
| Y2: Chimdindu, Leylah, | Princess |
| Y3: Ameliah, Messie, | David |
| Y4: Grigoriy, Joseph, | Madison |
| Y5: Azariah, Elijah, | Adonai |
| Y6: Chevaro, Emmanuel, | Sienna |



Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)

Monday 13th March will see our first FROGS' Mother's Day sale at Good Shepherd. Children will have the chance to visit the hall with their teacher and buy one of the gifts on offer. There will be lots of lovely gifts on sale for £1, £2 or £3 plus Mother's Day cards for 20p. Please remember to send your child to school with some money on that day.



Parents Evening 14th & 21st March

Please ensure you return your slip as soon as possible if you haven't done so already. Parents evening will be held in the lunch hall for Nur-Y2 and in the main hall for Y3-6.

Easter Holiday Club

Following on from the success of the half term holiday club, Aim High will be hosting an Easter holiday club from Tuesday 11th to Friday 14th April for Reception to Year 6 at Good Shepherd. The children will be playing both sitting down and running around games and will be given lunch. This is completely free for children eligible for free school meals and will cost £15/day for others. I will let you know as soon as you are able to book onto this. Parents will be able to book onto all four days or just one or two.

Poetry Performance

Thank you to Y3 and Y5 children for performing poems to the school yesterday morning.

Fr Con's Reflection

This coming Sunday, 12th March, represents the midpoint of this Holy Season of Lent. It is a great season of grace. God's grace, the great gift of His presence to us and in us, will be equally there in its second half.



It is a prime season for cultivating a humble and thankful heart towards God.

A practical current example of such a mindset is to thank Him for receiving one's desired choice of secondary school for September 2023.

If you need to contact the office, please email or telephone **01689 841 771**
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Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Day

Learning together as part of God's family