



# Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 16th September 2022

## Monday 19th September

Following the letter I sent out earlier in the week, please note that school will be closed to all pupils and staff so the funeral of Queen Elizabeth can be observed.



The Queen dedicated her life to public service, championing many causes to help the most vulnerable during her reign.

Many people will want to remember the Queen and her family in their prayers at this difficult time. With that in mind, you may wish to use the prayer intention overleaf to pray with your family.

There is a book of condolence at St Edward King and Confessor CofE Church in New Addington if parents would like to sign this, alternatively, we have our own Good Shepherd book which will be collated with the Croydon books and sent to the Royal Family in due course.

### A prayer for The Queen's family

Bless those who mourn, eternal God,  
with the comfort of your love  
that they may face each new day with hope  
and the certainty that nothing can destroy  
the good that has been given.  
May their memories become joyful,  
their days enriched with friendship,  
and their lives encircled by your love. Amen.

## Addington Fire Station Open Day

Saturday 17th September 11:00am-4:00pm

- Meet the local firefighters
- Get fire safety advice
- Watch rescue demonstrations



## Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)

### International Talent Show



Thank you to all who have responded to the letter sent out regarding FROGS Talent Show.

Please remember the talent show is on Friday 23rd September at 3.30pm in the main hall. Tickets will be available from Tuesday 20th September, price is 50p for Adults and will be sold on a first come first serve basis. Snacks will be available before the show (monetary donations are welcome). Also all pupils taking part please remember that you only have 2 minutes for your act.

### Coffee Mornings

Thank you parents and carers who came to our coffee morning earlier this week, FROGS next coffee morning will be Tuesday 8th November at 8.40am in the School Hall, Please make a note in your diaries and we look forward to seeing you there.

### Light Party

Monday 31st October 2022 3:15pm-4:30pm.  
More details nearer the time.

## Whole School Mass

We will be celebrating our start of the year Mass on Tuesday (20th) at 9:15am in church—parents are very welcome to join us.

## School Photographs

Please note that the photographer has postponed their visit from Monday 19th and is now coming to school on Wednesday 28th September.



*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: Emilia Festus	Joesiah
Y1: Mahmoud Brue	Sienna
Y2: Keziah Rose Alde	Ariella
Y3: Byron Jevon	Keziah
Y4: Eleana Daniel	Leonie
Y5: Daniel D'Asia	Declan Kayden
Y6: Amelia David	Alysha



### Parking

Please can I ask all parents to think before they park. We have had a neighbour in Dunley Drive blocked in as one of our parents had parked across her driveway. Sadly this is not the first time a parent has parked across someone's driveway—we don't want to get a reputation for being inconsiderate to our neighbours.



### Cardboard Tubes

We are looking for cardboard kitchen roll tubes to use for planting seeds in. There will be a box outside my office for collecting these. Please do not send in toilet roll tubes, only kitchen roll tubes. Thank you

### Year 6 Assembly

Please join us for our first class-led assembly of the year on 22nd September at 9:05am.

### Fr Con's Reflection



In this week just about to end, there have been 2 very significant days in the church calendar.

September 14<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) was the feast of the Triumph of the Cross (also known as the Exaltation of the Cross). The day this year, when the coffin of our late Queen Elizabeth II began its period of lying in state in Westminster Hall.

The Cross of Jesus was Triumph, by virtue of this glorious Resurrection within 3 days of death. The Cross is the centrepiece of our Christian Faith. The Resurrection is the central tenet of that Faith.

Queen Elizabeth II was always very aware of these truths. Her Christmas Day message annually would always find room for mention of the true meaning of that feast and season.

September 15<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) was memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows. She, more than anyone understands the pain of bereavement for, within about 30 years of Bethlehem manger, the dead Body of her Son is taken down from the Cross and placed in her lap.

May she bring consolation to our new monarch, King Charles III, and to all the members of the Royal Family.

ETERNAL LIFE FOR OUR QUEEN!  
LONG LIFE FOR OUR NEW KING!

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*