



# Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 7th October 2022

## Sporting Successes at Good Shepherd

We have had a very successful week this week!

Y1, 2, 3 and 4 children took part in cross country races at Lloyd's Park which is a very tough course. The children did brilliantly to complete the course but a very special well done to Esmerelda who came first out of approximately 120 children—what an achievement!

Y5 and 6 children took part in a tag rugby competition yesterday at Trinity and the Y6 team won every game they played—very well done!

Thanks to Mrs Downing, Mrs Williams and Mr Britto who have trained them for these events.



## Rosary

The Rosary will be said in the school hall at 8:30-8:40 every Wednesday and Friday during the month of October. All parents and children are welcome to come and pray together. We have some rosaries in school for those who are not able to bring their own.



## International Day

The children looked wonderful on Wednesday dressed in clothes from different countries, thank you to parents and carers for making such an effort with this. Each class had a drumming workshop during the day where they listened to different rhythms and played these back which took great concentration.

## Black History Month

There are interviews, activities and information on the BHM official website.

[Black History Month 2022 - Time for Change: Action Not Words](#)

In class, children have been looking at famous people and we have been listening to a variety of music genres in assemblies.



## Reminder—Clubs

A reminder that clubs start next week. If your child has a place in a club, they need to be collected promptly at 4:15pm from the school office.

## Harvest

Our Harvest Mass is on Tuesday 18th October. Please can children start bringing in harvest donations for the New Addington Food Bank. Here are some ideas:

tea	rice	toothpaste
soap	cereal	tinned vegetables
pasta	tuna	tinned fruit

There will be a table in the hall from Monday for all of the food and toiletries. Please bring donations in by next Friday (14th).

*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: Israel, Vincenzo,	Nyah-Rae
Y1: Clemence, Jaaziel,	Mahmoud
Y2: Jeremy, Marie,	Esmerelda
Y3: Aniyah, Johnny,	Sefaah
Y4: Aisha, Ibrahim,	Saviour, Daniel
Y5: Angela, Ethen,	Azariah
Y6: Jaydin, Sienna,	Prudent



### Good Shepherd Church Table Top Sale

Every Saturday in October, the church will be holding a table top sale in the church garden from 10:30-2pm.

There will be lots of items to buy such as clothing, crockery and ornaments for very reasonable prices.

### Fr Con's Reflection

This coming Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> October, it will be exactly one month since the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. (she died on 8<sup>th</sup> September, the day on which the church celebrates the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary).



We can merely speculate on how many single red roses were hurled at the hearse carrying the Queen's coffin, all the way down from Balmoral in Scotland – added to this number would be all those hurled similarly on the day of her funeral (Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September).

Clearly the rose can make claim to be the greatest flower of all, with its beautiful aroma and variety of colours.

The great prayer, especially in October and specifically requested by Our Blessed lady, takes its name from the rose. Each "Hail, Mary" in the Rosary represents, figuratively speaking, a single rose offered to her, requesting her intercession for us.

She is known as the Mystical Rose (The 'Rosa Mystica' in Latin). She is the highest honour of the human race, and our great motherly intercessor before God's Throne.

### Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)

Monday 31st October

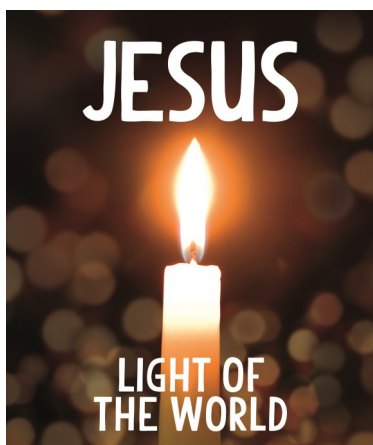
3:15pm - 4:30pm



### Light Party

The FROGS team have carefully selected this day to hold a disco for Y1-6 to celebrate that Jesus is the Light of the World (John 8:12). It will be a mufti day for the whole school N-Y6 and all children are asked to wear an item of white clothing to represent Jesus. Children must not wear Halloween costumes.

Tickets will be available on ParentPay for £2.50 and must be bought before half term please and the Light party is the first day back after half term.



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*Have a lovely weekend*  
*Mrs Day*

*Learning together as part of God's family*