



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 19th April 2024

Ofsted Report

I am delighted to share with you our most recent Ofsted inspection report which I received this week (please see attached).



I am delighted to tell you that, following a thorough two-day inspection, Ofsted confirmed that Good Shepherd is a **Good** school.

Inspectors praised how polite and welcoming the children were to everyone and noted that pupils behaved well in lessons and in the playground. They were very impressed with the caring and inclusive culture within Good Shepherd. The inspectors spoke of an extremely well-designed personal development curriculum and found children to be highly articulate in discussing a range of topics. They graded us **outstanding** for personal development.

Inspectors commented on the strong subject knowledge of our teaching staff and clear delivery in lessons. They were impressed with the extremely broad range of wider opportunities offered at school and of the very high quality of these.

The inspection showed that pupils are extremely happy at Good Shepherd and are known very well by staff. Pupils are able to learn in a safe environment and are particularly well looked after at the school.

I would like to thank all staff at Good Shepherd for their hard work and commitment in supporting all children at the school.

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

Please speak to the school office if you are interested in this fulfilling role at the school. Many of our staff started as Lunchtime Supervisors at the school before having their hours extended as it is an excellent way to gain experience for other roles.

Chaplaincy Team

We are very fortunate to have an active Chaplaincy team at Good Shepherd. The Chaplaincy Team have an important role in the Good Shepherd community. They aim to:

- ◆ Lead by example
- ◆ Promote the principles of Catholic Social Teaching
- ◆ Encourage others to live out their faith
- ◆ Support liturgy, prayer and the spiritual life of the school
- ◆ Take an active role in fundraising

At the end of term they carried out random acts of kindness by presenting members of staff with some lovely bags of sweets and biscuits!



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: Joella, Julia,	Augustine
Y1: Sarah, Vincenzo,	Annette
Y2: Jonathan, Mahmoud, Brue, Zofia	
Y3: Jeremy, Otiwaah,	Annaya
Y4: Indiyana, Makamona	Keziah-Rose, Sabrina
Y5: Adele, Jaden,	Ranel
Y6: Alimat, Usman,	Chika



Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)

Save the date—Friday 5th July

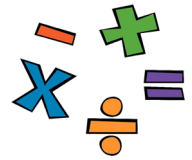


Diary Dates

Tu 23 rd April 9:15am	Summer term Mass
Th 2 nd May 8:55am	Rec class assembly
M 6 th May	Bank holiday
Tu 7 th May 10:15am	May procession
Th 9 th May 8:55am	Y4 class assembly
F 17 th May	Good Shepherd Day
Th 23 rd May 8:55am	Y1 class assembly
Fr 24 th May 3:15pm	School closes

Maths

Do you want your child to become even better at maths?



Come along to a special session on **Tuesday 30th April 8:45-9:30am** in the school hall.

At this meeting, parents will be able to find out what their child will be learning in class and how they can be encouraged at home. This is open in all parents in all year groups.

Please make every effort to attend as it will give your child the best opportunity to perform highly in maths.

Please note that Mrs Lewis will be sharing information and ideas with you in this session rather than parents doing any maths.

Fr Con's Reflection

Each year, Eastertide (the Holy Season of Easter) lasts for 7 weeks. 50 days after Easter Sunday is Pentecost (the Descent of the Holy Spirit).



This coming Sunday, April 21st, is the 4th Sunday of Easter (the 4th of its 7 Sundays).

It is always designated VOCATIONS SUNDAY. The Prayers and Readings at Mass that day are very much on the theme of THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

So, it has great application for both our parish and our school.

We rejoice that Jesus, the Good Shepherd, IS risen. Our life is risen in Him. He has triumphed over death, and on behalf of each of us.

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