



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 22nd September 2023

School Mass

Fr Con celebrated a lovely Mass for the school community on Wednesday morning.

The theme of our Mass was:

“Lord teach me your ways” (Psalm 25:4-5) which was particularly apt for our start of the year Mass.

Nasal flu Immunisations

Letters have been sent out to Reception – Year 6 regarding the annual nasal flu vaccination programme in schools. Please remember to return your completed form by 28th September.

Even if you do not wish your child to have this, please return the form so you do not get contacted by your GP's surgery.

Year 2 Assembly

The Year 2 children led a lovely assembly yesterday on looking after God's creation and being eco-friendly.

They gave us all some pointers on how to look after the planet:

- * Reuse things where possible
- * Recycle paper, plastic, tins and glass
- * Switch off lights and electrical equipment when not in use
- * Tell an adult if a tap is dripping
- * Use the car less, especially for short journeys



Is your child eligible for Pupil Premium?

If you are entitled to certain benefits, your child is eligible for Pupil Premium. Make sure you don't miss out. Please speak to the school office as soon as possible.

Your child will get:

- ◆ Payment to parent of £140 per child for school holiday support
- ◆ Free places at one of the many holiday clubs
- ◆ Free educational visits
- ◆ Half-priced clubs
- ◆ Additional support in class
- ◆ Plus, Good Shepherd will get extra funding from the government to support your child further in their learning.

Maths Workshop

Mrs Lewis will be delivering a maths workshop for parents on Wednesday 27th September 8.45am - 9.30am in the hub.

At this session, you will find the answers to:

What is my child learning in maths?

&

How can I help?

This event is open to parents and carers from all year groups.



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: Gabriella, Rehmeah,	Amelia
Y1: Israel, Tricia,	Festus
Y2: Emma, Mahmoud,	Levi
Y3: Emerald, Josiah,	Marie
Y4: Messie, Uriel,	Benjamin, Oscar
Y5: Raphael, Saviour,	Chinaza
Y6: Adonai, Mitchell,	Elmar, Jevon



Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)

FROGS Coffee Morning, Monday 16th October at 8:40am in the School Breakfast Hub. All parents are invited to come along.



If you are unable to make it, parents are welcome to join us online, on Monday 16th October at 8pm to have the opportunity to catch up on what was discussed in the Coffee Morning meeting.

Light Party is on Thursday 19th October 3.15pm - 4.30pm (Year 1-6). Children can wear white or bright coloured clothes on this day, as it is a non-uniform day. Tickets are £2.50 and payment is to be made on your child's ParentPay account.

Have a lovely weekend, FROGS.

Considerate Parking

Please ensure you do not park on the pavement in Leigh Crescent as it makes it difficult for pedestrians.

Instrumental Lessons

Children in Years 3 to 6 can sign up to music lesson on Wednesdays at New Addington Library. Which is a wonderful opportunity. <https://www.croydonmusicandarts.co.uk/library-classes>

The fees are £35 per term or £10.50 for Pupil Premium pupils.

Playing Field

Children in Years 3-6 are welcome to play on the field all year round as long as they have a second pair of footwear to change into such as trainers or football boots.



Fr Con's Reflection

Thursday of this school week, September 21st, has been the Feast of the Apostle, St Matthew.



(Formerly, he was Levi, the tax collector, called by Jesus with the instruction "FOLLOW ME!")

Here, of course, "Follow" means, essentially, "Imitate." For each of us, Jesus is our greatest imaginable role model.

As in the case of Matthew, Jesus can and will show us how to obey the will of God in our daily lives - how to be truly obedient, as indeed Jesus Himself was to the will of God the Father, and at all times. Therein, we will discover true and lasting joy and many blessings.

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