



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 31st January 2025

Learning together as part of God's family

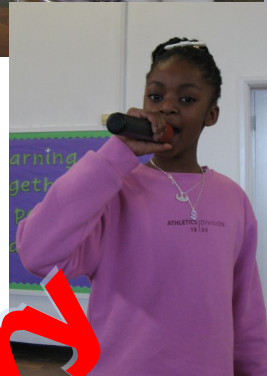
Be kind and respectful

Talent Show

We had a great talent show this week. Thank you to all the children who performed for us. Here are a few of the acts:



Dancing



Singing



Poetry



Respect

Responsibility

Determination

Positivity

Teamwork

Headteacher and Kindness Awards

Well done to the following children who have worked hard, had great behaviour, been consistently respectful or have shown great kindness and thoughtfulness to others:

	Headteacher Award:	Kindness Award:
R:	Amen, Juana,	Chloe
Y1:	Debruyne, Taliyah,	All of Year 1
Y2:	Emilia, Nathan,	Israel
Y3:	Adam, Gabriella,	Aaron
Y4:	Bishoy, Chrisean, Daniel,	Mateo
Y5:	Ademilola, Kezia,	Byron, Messie
Y6:	Mizani, Temi,	Saviour



Term dates 2025-2026

The term dates for next academic year have been approved and are attached.



Children's Mental Health Week


Next week is Children's Mental Health Week. The theme for 2025 is focus is 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself'. The aim is to equip and empower children across the UK to embrace self-awareness and explore what it means to them. We want children to discover how getting to know who they are can help them build resilience, grow and develop.

During the week, we will be talking lots about our wellbeing and mental health both in class as well as in Prayer and Liturgy.

Children's Mental Health Week Continued

On Wednesday 5th February, we will have a non-uniform day. As the theme this year is all about getting to know who they are, the non-uniform day will be 'Dress to Express'. Children can wear clothes which say something about who they really are. Not to impress but to express who they are and their uniqueness. There might be superheroes, princesses, rainbows colours as well as sport's kits showing their talents and interests. Perhaps children might like to wear their favourite colour to express how they feel or something that makes them feel happy.

Fr Con's Reflection

This coming weekend, we celebrate  CANDLEMAS (Sunday February 2nd). It is the Feast of THE PRESENTATION of the Baby Jesus in the Temple.

It is exactly 40 days after the great Bethlehem manger event inclusive of CHRISTMAS DAY.

So, CANDLEMAS is very much THE FEAST OF LIGHT.

Jesus Christ is the LIGHT OF THE WORLD. In the Temple He was presented as a Baby to God first, and then to the representatives of humankind on that day: the aged holy man Simeon and the elderly holy woman, Anna.

This Feast brings home to us the significance of candles: lighting them, holding them alight etc.

Above all else, they will always point to the Lord Jesus Christ, the LIGHT OF THE WORLD.

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Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Day