



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 28th February 2025

Learning together as part of God's family

Parents Evening

The spring term parent's evening will be held on Thursday 6th March and Tuesday 11th March.

Please remember to book your appointment using the link in the text you received.

Stations of the Cross

Parents and carers are invited to join Y3-6 in church on Tuesday at 2pm for Stations of the Cross. This will be a good opportunity for the children to reflect on Jesus' final hours on earth.

Cricket Lessons

Reception up to Y5 had their first cricket lesson of the year yesterday.

We are very fortunate to have a Surrey County Cricket coach working with us every Thursday until Easter. This week he was working with the children on developing their throwing and catching skills.



Be kind and respectful

Pilgrims of Hope

Year 3 have made special doors of hope explaining what hope means to them.



World Book Day

Good Shepherd are marking World Book Day a week later than normal due to next week being a very busy week with our Lent Day of Reflection and Ash Wednesday.

Children should come to school on Wednesday 12th March dressed as a character from a book.

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday 5th March is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent.

We will have Mass and the distribution of ashes at 2pm in the school hall. Please join us.

There will also be a menu change next Wednesday and no meat will be served:

Macaroni cheese

Vegan country vegetable pie

Pasta with tomato and vegetable sauce

Fruit jelly



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: |
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| R: Aliyah, Kamai, | Juana |
| Y1: Augustine, Tianah-Grace, | Gabriella |
| Y2: Deniece, Freya, | Chidera |
| Y3: Ademide, Brue, | Jaaziel |
| Y4: Anna, Keziah-Rose, | Alina |
| Y5: Byron, Gregor, Imoleayo | Elianna |
| Y6: Mya, Ola, | Precious |



Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)



Mother's Day FROGS are in need of ladies' gift donations for the Mother's Day stall. If you have any items which you don't want or use in good condition and we can reuse it as a gift. Please give to the school office. Thank you.

Coffee morning FROGS Coffee mornings are back, we are inviting all parents and carers to our next one on Tuesday 4th March at 8.40am in the hub.

Topics of discussion:

- ◆ Mother's Day stall
- ◆ Circus Pazaz
- ◆ Financial update 2024/25

Respect Bookmarks

Congratulations to the first 19 children in the school who have received signatures from 5 different staff members for consistently showing respect to all adults. They enjoyed a very special tea party this afternoon with Mrs Downing.

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| Abhid | Chimdindu | Hosanna | Kristina |
| Annaya | Chisom | Johan | Marie |
| Azariah | Daniel | Josiah | Princess |
| Bishoy | Funmi | Juanita | Ranel |



Fr Con's Reflection



This school week ends with the close of the month. As we draw closer to spring, we are reminded that an older word for spring is the word Lent.

The Holy Season of Lent begins on Wednesday March 5th (ASH WEDNESDAY).

On Tuesday March 4th (Shrove Tuesday or 'Pancake Day'), our Key Stage 2 children will be coming to the church for their own 'Stations of the Cross' at 2pm.

On Ash Wednesday, at 2pm, we will be having an additional Mass in the school hall. This will conclude with the imposition of 'ASHES' to the forehead.

This will occur at, or very near 3pm—the holiest hour of every day—THE HOUR WHEN JESUS DIED—for the salvation and redemption of the world.

If you need to contact the office, please email or telephone **01689 841 771**
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Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Day