



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 14th March 2025

Learning together as part of God's family

Cafod Visitor

Mr Scully from Cafod came to speak to the children on Monday about the work of Cafod.

Every class has a Cafod collecting box in their classroom and it would be wonderful if we could raise enough money to help families around the world become more self-sufficient. Please give what you can—every penny makes a difference.

[Chirpy chickens CAFOD virtual charity gift – CAFOD World Gifts](#)

Year 2, 3 and 4 also had excellent workshops themed on the Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee.



Good Shepherd Book Day

It was lovely to see characters from the Bible, children classics and from modern fiction—well done everyone.



Be kind and respectful

Box Hill

A group of children spent the day at Box Hill last Friday enjoying drawing and sculpture lessons in the woods. The artists leading the sessions were extremely impressed with the excellent behaviour throughout and the children's artistic skills—well done children.



Wraparound Childcare

I am pleased to inform you that we will be offering childcare after school. This will start after Easter with a company called Active Future. The sessions will include crafts, sports, games and a snack. Please read the attached information for prices, times and how to book.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fr Con joined us on Tuesday to offer reconciliation to our children. It was a lovely prayerful occasion while they prepared.

Travelling Stations of the Cross

Each class has their travelling bag again. This time it has information about the Stations of the Cross—Jesus' last few hours on earth before His death. Please spend time with your child when they bring the bag home.

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: Joseph, Lydianne,	Aliyah
Y1: Amelia, Luis-Levi,	Joella
Y2: George, Juewel,	Petra
Y3: Aaron, Zeah,	Benedict
Y4: Jeremy, Naila,	Azariah
Y5: Aiden, Daniel,	Marvellous, Oscar
Y6: Emike, Kacee, Mya,	Daniel



Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)



Easter egg competition Our Easter egg competition is now open for Nursery to Year 6.

A blank A4-sized Easter egg template has been given to your child, with instructions. Each entry is 50p and all entries are due back by Monday 31st March.

Mother's Day stall The Mother's Day stall will be on Thursday 27th and Friday 28th March.

Circus Pazaz The payment link for circus tickets is now live on Parent Pay.

There are 2 sessions, 3.30pm and 5.30pm, on Thursday 12th June 2025. Please ensure you book the correct session.

Adults: £10

Children (aged 2 and over): £7

Children (UNDER 2) Free (if sitting on lap)

IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD TO HAVE THEIR OWN SEAT THEN YOU MUST BUY A CHILD'S TICKET FOR £7.

Everyone is welcome.

Easter Holiday Club

Aim High will be holding a holiday club at Good Shepherd again for 4 days during the Easter Holidays, from Monday 14th to Thursday 17th April 9:00-3:00pm.

Children will enjoy a range of sports, art and cultural activities, along with a hot meal.

If your child qualifies for a voucher, you will receive it on 18th March. The camp is open to all children. Call 07904 313603 or email info@aimhighacademy.co.uk to book a place. Bookings will go live on Tuesday the 18th March.

Year 3 Trip

Children in Year 3 enjoyed listening to author Anita Prabhu reading her book at Waterstones.



Book Fair

A reminder that Book Fair start next week.

Fr Con's Reflection



This Saturday, we will be one quarter through the 40-day Holy Season of Lent. This year of 2025 is a Jubilee Year and its theme is HOPE, with the maxim or caption that "HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT!"

When we watch the tv news, with all the horrific events both near and far, we might conclude that the all-round situation is HOPEless.

Nevertheless, as Christians and children of God, we must never lose HOPE, to which there is a very closely connected word-TRUST.

Our Faith in God breeds our Trust in Him. When times are hard and everything is increasingly expensive, we must retain our trust in God, through it all. In an ever-changing world, He alone is our one true constant.

*Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Day*