



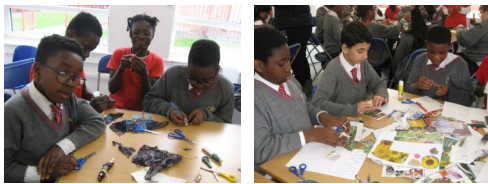
Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 15th November 2024

Learning together as part of God's family

Reuse, Recycle, Reduce

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 have enjoyed special workshops delivered by Croydon Museum last week and this week on the theme of looking after the planet. They carried out several lovely activities such as making lavender bags and peg dolls.



Mobile Phone Use

A reminder that children are not permitted to use their mobiles on school property. They must be switched off as soon as they walk through the gates and handed to a member of staff once in the classroom. Please reinforce this with your child.

Anti Bullying Week

Children have been doing lots of discussion in class this week linked to anti-bullying week which they shared with the school in our Celebration Assembly this morning.

Yesterday, Year 4 led the school in Prayer and Liturgy and linked the anti-bullying message with a number of scripture references such as 'love thy neighbour as thyself' and 'love is patient, love is kind'. Well done for presenting such a clear message to everyone.

Be kind and respectful

Christmas Bazaar

The Church Christmas Bazaar is being held in the school hall on Saturday 30th November 11:00-4:00pm.

Please come along to support this lovely community event.



Remembrance Day

Year 6 led the Prayer and Liturgy for the school in a very respectful manner which culminated in a 2 minute silence.



Mrs Williams

We said a temporary 'goodbye' to Mrs Williams on Wednesday as she has now started her maternity leave. We wish her well and look forward to welcoming her back for a visit with baby.

Approaching Unaccompanied Children

I respectfully ask all parents, carers and older siblings not to approach a child about something which may have happened during the school day. Children often find it very intimidating, especially when they are walking home by themselves. We don't want to frighten any child.

If you have a concern about something which has happened, please always speak to your child's class teacher and not the children who may have been involved. Thank you for your understanding.

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: Keturah, Nathan,	Sadie
Y1: Jephaniae, Sukaina,	Amelia
Y2: Adepa, Nyah-Rae,	Sarah
Y3: Mahmoud, Zennia,	Sienna
Y4: Esther, Otiwaah,	Oscar
Y5: Imoleayo, Marvellous,	Yeabhne
Y6: Isaiah, Jaden, Joseph, Kadiann, Temi, Tiammii	Johan



Cross Country

A large group of children attended a cross-country event this morning having been practising for several months. Their efforts were rewarded in fantastic finishing places:

1st Esmerelda

4th Madison

4th Daniel

There were around 80 children in each of the four races so these results are very impressive.

Timetables Rockstars

Well done to everyone for all the practice you have done this week. Good Shepherd is in the top 14% in the country with times tables. Can we raise this even further with more practice from everyone?

Fr Con's Reflection

It was noticeable on Monday (11th November) that sunshine was back.

This was very fitting as it was Armistice Day (the signing of the Peace, to formally end World War I, the 'Great War').

So, for the 1st 10 days of this month, we had no sunshine at all.

This fact is surely a more than useful analogy for our daily lives. There is much moral "darkness" in the world, near and far.

We so need the light of Jesus Christ, the Light of the World. We so need the enlight-enment of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus Christ is the Risen Son. He is also known figuratively as the Rising Sun. Both "titles" point to the greatest aspect of our Christian Faith, His Resurrection from the dead.



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Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Day