

The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 29 5th June 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week, we have 2 lovely messages! One from Mrs Richards in Year 5, and one from Mrs Bonner in EYFS! Click the images to view the messages...





God bless.

A message from our Trust Chaplain...

A friend sent me this quote from scripture a few weeks ago, which I scribbled on a piece of paper...amazingly it didn't end up in the bin in one of my frenzied tidy up sessions.

It seems that the whole world has been marching through a valley of troubled times since the beginning of 2020. To begin with we were praying for those in China as they battled with the virus; before we knew it, the virus came to Europe and then landed on our doorstep. A few short months ago, none of us could have imagined the changes to our lives that every single person in the world has made. There is no denying the difficulties that people have been through in these days of the Coronavirus.



So how can I talk about a door of hope? I don't want to talk about one door of hope; I want to talk about the many doors of hope which have opened across the continents, families to families, friends to friends, neighbours to neighbours, countries to countries. Hope is the thing which gives people something to look forward to, something to wish for and something to hang on to in the troubles of their lives.

People have been telling me great stories of how acquaintances have written to them or phoned them after twenty and thirty years of no communication and great reunions of old friendships have taken place in a world where previously we were just too busy with jobs and life in general to find the time to communicate with each other. Community spirit has taken on a whole new lease of life, as a surge in kindness has become the new norm. The elderly have been noticed and given priority shopping time, as have the key workers and people are out there applauding the good that is going on amidst all the darkness. Pollution has fallen in a fairly dramatic way, new innovative ways of learning are happening with our children and young people - and the sun is shining every day!

Many people who we know and those who we don't know are still trying to climb out of 'the valley of trouble'. The love in people for each other right now brings with it hope for the future of our world. Start where you are and let the hope grow.

God Bless.

Mrs Darwin

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Are you entitled?

If you are now eligible for **Universal Credit**, you will also be eligible for Free School Meals.

This means your child will be entitled to a free meal if they are in school, or a supermarket voucher if they are currently learning from home.

To apply, please click <u>HERE</u>. If you need any assistance or have any questions regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact our Family Support Worker Mrs Auburn on –

familysupport@thegoodshepherd.northants.sch.uk.

TTRockstars Battle RESULTS!

Home		Away
Year 5	25,569 54,949	Year 6
Year 1	1,696 11,499	Year 2
Year 3	16,721 184,942	Year 4

Well done to Year 6, Year 4 and Year 2 for winning your year group battles!

A good effort from the other year groups, visit https://play.ttrockstars.com/ to practice now before the next battle!



We're delighted to announce that Miss
Baggott has had a beautiful and healthy baby
boy called Oliver Jack Ian Dixey on 23rd May,
weighing 8lb 2.5oz. Mum and baby are both
doing extremely well. I'm sure you will join us
in sending our congratulations to Miss Baggott
and her partner Dan.

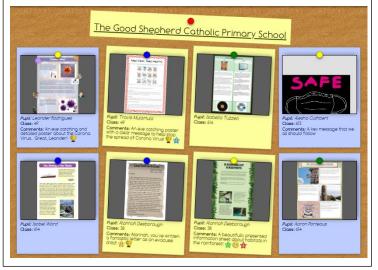








We love seeing your fantastic work on <u>PurpleMash</u>, and here are just a few examples of the work we are seeing on the Good Shepherd display board!





This week Luciano and Joseph in year 4 have done an amazing job representing The Good Shepherd in Northamptonshire Sports Virtual School Games! This week's challenges were cricket related.

It would be great if you could give some of the challenges a go too! There are prizes up for grabs!

For more information, visit -

https://www.northamptonshiresport.org/virtual-schoolgames-2020

