



# The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School

Newsletter no. 30

11<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Star of the week!



RN

Olivia B 9<sup>th</sup> June

2C

Jakub D 10<sup>th</sup> June

1L

Maia O T 13<sup>th</sup> June

3/4D

Dragos C 13<sup>th</sup> June



## Year 3 Maths Challenge

Billy says "**499 is larger than 501 because it has two 9s.**"

Do you agree?

Explain why/ why not.

Why do you think Billy thinks this?

Why not have a go and try to solve this week's challenge?

Submit your answers by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June to Mrs Jones

[cstafford-jones@tgs.nor.olicatschools.org](mailto:cstafford-jones@tgs.nor.olicatschools.org). The first 2 students with the correct answers will get a prize.

**GOOD LUCK!**

Find us here:

[www.TheGoodShepherdCatholicPrimarySchool.org.uk](http://www.TheGoodShepherdCatholicPrimarySchool.org.uk)



@TheGoodShepherdNorthampton



@TGSNorthampton

## Reminder!



If your child is diagnosed with either measles, shingles or chicken pox please notify the school immediately. We currently have children in school that have suppressed immune systems and cannot be exposed to these illnesses.  
Thank you for your co-operation.

## SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

If you have a safeguarding or welfare concern our Family Support Worker Mrs Auburn can be contacted by email on [Familysupport@thegoodshepherd.northants.sch.uk](mailto:Familysupport@thegoodshepherd.northants.sch.uk) or by phone on 01604 714399.

You can also speak to our other Safeguarding Officers – Mrs Dodds (Head Teacher), Mrs Robinson (Deputy Head), Mrs Bonner (EYFS Lead) and Miss Green (SENDCO).

If you are concerned about a child's safety or welfare please call MASH (Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub) on 0300 126 7000. In an emergency, or if you believe a child is in immediate danger, left alone or missing, call 999.

On the 27<sup>th</sup> May we held a May procession around school. A huge thank you to Miss Smith for organising it and to our chaplain Mrs Darwin who took each class round to crown our Mary statues. The children finished the procession with a beautiful rendition of 'As I kneel before you'.



### Reminder!

Please remember that we are a nut free school which means you should be sure not to include any products with nuts in your child's packed lunch for the wellbeing of other students.

In Year 3 and 4 they have been learning about Fairtrade and how this means paying a fair price for the things that we buy. They looked for the Fairtrade logo on food products and tasted 2 types of chocolate to see if they could guess which one was Fairtrade. Most of them preferred the Fairtrade chocolate!

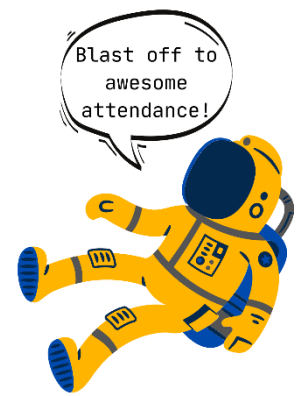


## The Friends of Good Shepherd

The Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS) are looking for new members!

Please visit our website [here](#) for more information and how to apply.





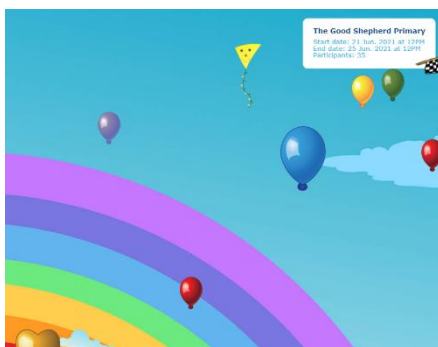
This week we have had:

1. 17 students arriving late on 19 occasions.
2. This equates to 517 minutes of learning LOST!
3. 10 students with unauthorised absences.

Congratulations to 3/4D for getting 100% attendance this week! Our whole school attendance for this week is 95.92%.

### Buy a balloon in our Virtual Balloon Race!

Balloon's cost £3 and the race begins on the 21<sup>st</sup> June. You can monitor your virtual balloon throughout the race. There are some great prizes up for grabs including a week at Mr Pearce's summer sports club or a nights stay in a luxury hotel! The money will go towards our new IT suite! Buy your balloon [here](#)!



Please remember, if your child is absent from school you must contact the school each day of their absence.

The McCarthy-Dixon Foundation Food Larder is open 5 days a week at The Swan and Helmet. No referral needed. Any 8 items for £5. Any 16 items for £10. Click [here](#) to visit their Facebook page for more information.

**McCarthy-Dixon Foundation**

**FOOD LARDER**

**OPENING TIMES**

**Mon, Tue & Fri:**  
4pm – 6pm

**Sat & Sun:**  
Noon – 2pm

Basket of 8 items  
**£5.00**

Basket of 16 items  
**£10.00**

A CHARITY FOR THE WHOLE COMMUNITY...

### Northampton's Sons of Erin Gaelic Football Club



Gaelic Football Training Saturday mornings 10.30-11.30 on the racecourse (just opposite Trinity Avenue). All children aged 8-14 welcome! Check out their Facebook page [here](#) for more information and contact details.

On Thursday, we had the pleasure to welcome Fr Andrew from Northampton Cathedral. He had a tour around the school with Mrs Darwin and blessed the Y6 Ethos Team badges.





### Parent Governor Opportunity

We have exciting opportunity for a parent to join us on the Local School Committee as a Parent Governor. We are looking for an individual who is willing to give up some time each month to help the school over the next three years. By Joining as a Parent Governor it provides you the opportunity to make a real contribution to your child's school.

Contact the school office by Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June for more information and to arrange a meeting with the current Chair of Governors.

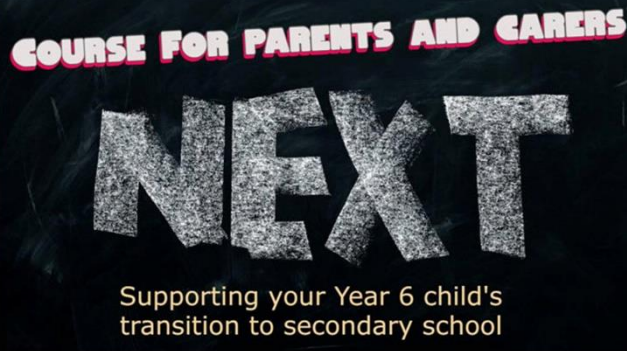
A big THANK YOU to the wonderful sixth form students and Molly Harrison from Thomas Becket Secondary School for helping us clear up our Forest School on the 28<sup>th</sup> May! They did such a good job.



### **A note from Mrs Jones:**

Congratulations to Tyler Swannell for being the first student to submit his targeted walkathon sponsorship sheet and to Matthew Dorman for collecting the most funds from his sponsors. Well done!!

Congratulations to our Quad Kids team who represented The Good Shepherd this week and WON!! They will go on to represent the district on the 8<sup>th</sup> July. Mr Pearce was also really proud of our team because they were supportive and encouraging of the opposing teams and they showed spirit! Well done!

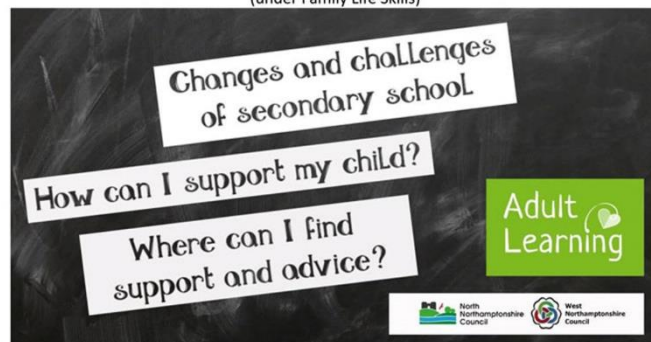


**3 weekly live online sessions at 7pm-8.30pm  
starting on Wednesday 23 June**

**Book at:**

[northamptonshire.gov.uk/familylearning](http://northamptonshire.gov.uk/familylearning)

(under Family Life Skills)



Organised by Family Learning: [adultlearningfamilylearning@northnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:adultlearningfamilylearning@northnorthants.gov.uk)

### 2021 Confirmations

For those who would like their children to start the confirmation programme this year, please get in touch with the parish office via [office@northamptoncathedral.org](mailto:office@northamptoncathedral.org) by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June. This is in order to ascertain the numbers and allow planning. There will be a meeting on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July at 7.30pm in the St Thomas Centre for parents and candidates.

Due to the hot weather, we advise that you apply sun cream to your child in the morning and send them into school with a sun hat. We cannot apply sun cream to pupils in school so only send them in with their own sun cream if your child can apply it themselves. Thank you!



### What's on

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June-** R1A Saint's Day (Mufti for R1A)

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June-** Year 6 sponsored Walkathon

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June-** The Big Sing participation in school

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June-** Year 5 and 6 Cricket Competition