



The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School

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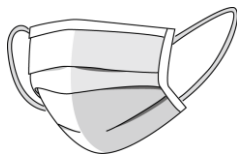
Dear Parents and Carers,

Star of the week!



WELL DONE TO ALL OF OUR STARS

ADULTS - PLEASE WEAR A FACE MASK



Please wear a mask when you are picking up and dropping your children off at school. Please also wear a mask if you are anywhere inside the school such as for Christmas performance.

Thank you

COVID-19 SYMPTOMS IN CHILDREN

1. High temperature
 2. Continuous cough
 3. Loss of change in sense of smell
- Please do not attend school with any of the above symptoms.
 - Please take your child for a PCR test.
 - Please make school aware of your child being ill and the results of the PCR test.

PREVENTION

We continue to take preventative measures

- Washing hands
- Using hand sanitiser
- Adults wearing masks
- Lateral flow testing
- Ventilation
- Limiting contact
- Regular LF testing for staff

Please help us to keep everyone healthy and safe.

Thank you

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www.TheGoodShepherdCatholicPrimarySchool.org.uk

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Catch up on the week's news

A visit from Bishop David

We were thrilled to welcome Bishop David into school on Thursday. He enjoyed a tour of the school with Mrs Dodds and Mrs Darwin, followed by a lively question and answer session with the Ethos Team.



Welcome Back !

A big welcome back to Mrs Robinson who has returned to school one day a week to help support with reading in Key Stage 2.



Boys Football

A huge well done to our Year 5/6 Boys Football Team who represented the School in the English Schools FA Football Competition. They played brilliantly and were a credit to the school. They won their group without conceding a goal... again, which meant they played in the county final, narrowly losing out 1-0. County Silver Medallists. Well done boys!



Bikeability

Some of our Year 5 students had a great time earlier this week, they spent time in the playground and then went out and practised their new skills on the roads. The two Instructors were very impressed with our group and look forward to returning next year.



Year 4 Mini Vinnies

The Year 4 Mini Vinnies had a superb time celebrating Mass with Bishop David at The Cathedral. It was lovely to see our friends from St Marys and St Gregorys too.



School Dinners

Please see an attached message about Winnie the Pooh themed day on 20th January. Available to book through Gateway now.



February Half Term

Please find attached some details for February Half Term Club's.



4B Forest School

Please remember 4B have Forest School on Monday 17th and 24th January. Please come to school in appropriate clothes.

Reminder

Please check your child's hair for Head lice regularly. Thank you!

Can you help The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School?

Plant Cuttings

We would be grateful for any outdoor plant cuttings that anyone is able to bring into School please. Any donations to go to Miss Smith please.



The Cathedral Food Store

We welcome the Cathedral Food Store on Monday 17th January. We are therefore appealing for any non-perishable food items; tinned food, cereal, pasta, rice, sauces, tea, coffee, sugar, biscuits etc. These can be brought to the donation box in the school main office.



Congratulations to 4B and for getting attendance this week! Our whole school attendance for this week is 92.23%.

We can do better!



ATTENDANCE FIGURES PER CLASS

4B = 99.44%
5C = 97.46%
RA = 96.39%
1L = 94.65%
6A = 92.06%
4C = 90.56%
6P = 86.32%
3D = 91.83%
2/1P = 83.80%
2C = 80.84%



This week we have had:

1. **15** Students arriving late on **18** occasions.
2. This equates to 680 **minutes** of learning **LOST!**
3. **13** Students with unauthorised absences.

Absence Reporting

Please remember, if your child is absent from school, you **MUST** contact school by 9.30 am **each day** of their absence.

If you are informing us by voice mail, please tell us the following information in the message:

- Childs first and last name
 - Childs class
 - Reason for absence
 - Please speak clearly
- Thank you

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.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Please ensure that you book and pay for your child to attend our Breakfast Club before they arrive. This is done via the School Gateway System. It is vital that we know which children to expect.

THANK 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.

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 or by phone on 01604 714399.

You can also speak to our other Safeguarding Officers – Mrs Dodds (Head Teacher), 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.



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to apply for
a Reception
place**

APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE

Does your child turn 4 on or
before 31 August 2022?

DEADLINE:
5 p.m. Saturday
15 January 2022

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