



The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School

25th February 2022 No: 21

Dear Parents and Carers,

Star of the week!



WELL DONE TO ALL OF OUR STARS

CURRENT COVID-19 ADVICE

As you will be aware, this week the Government published their updated guidance around the changes they are making to the law for COVID. I've tried to outline the changes and expected changes for the coming week or so. As you'll imagine, the guidance is not as clear as we would hope, and there are still many questions so thank you, as always, for your understanding and support. Please see a full letter attached.

COVID-19 SYMPTOMS IN CHILDREN

1. High temperature
2. Continuous cough
3. Loss of change in sense of smell

We encourage Children not to attend school with any of the above symptoms.

PREVENTION

We continue to take preventative measures

- Washing hands
- Using hand sanitiser
- Lateral flow testing
- Ventilation
- Limiting contact

Please help us to keep everyone healthy and safe.

Thank you

Find us at:

www.TheGoodShepherdCatholicPrimarySchool.org.uk

@TheGoodShepherdNorthampton

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Easter Holiday Sports Club



EASTER HOLIDAY sports club

At The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School

NOT MON (TUES, WED, THURS and FRI) (4 days)
April 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th

9:00-3:15pm

Price: £16 per day. £60 for the week 10% sibling or joint booking discount (£54 per child for the week)

Location: The Good Shepherd Primary School, Kingsland Gardens, NN2 7BH

Mr Ben Pearce is running the sports camp with other sports coaches

The children get to choose which sports and activities they do, including:

Easter egg hunts, Dodgeball, Quiditch, NERF WARS, Crazyball, Throuckball, Athletics, Football, Speedstacking, Table Tennis, Tennis, Badminton, Gymnastics, Squareball, Basketball, Battleships, Capture the Flag and many more to choose from!!!



TIMES: 9:00am – 3:15pm

Age: Years 1-6. Reception going to Year 1 in September 2022 accepted

3D Recorder Lessons



Year 3 enjoyed their first recorder lesson. They have been mastering the notes G and D. [Your first RECORDER LESSON! | Team Recorder BASICS - YouTube](#) Please remember to send your child with their recorder next week. If your child needs to borrow a recorder please come and see the School Office.

Introducing our Reading Ambassadors



Please meet one of Reading Ambassadors, our new group of Reading Ambassadors will be promoting reading within the School and will all be involved in World Book Day. We look forward to hearing more from them as the year goes on.

LEGO

If any Families have any unwanted LEGO around the house that they would be willing to donate to us we would be very grateful. Please bring any donations into the School Office.

Thank you in advance



Nikodem 24th February
Krish 24th February
Matilde 25th February
Lily 27th February
Maeve 27th February

Amelia-Rose 1st March
David 3rd March
Lael 3rd March

FOREST SCHOOL

The following classes will be in The Forest after Half Term.

6A Monday 28th February

2C Thursday 2nd March.

Please dress appropriately.



SWIMMING **Class 5C** Group 1

**SWIMMING SESSIONS WILL CONTINUE
WEDNESDAY'S REMEMBER YOUR KIT.**



PARENTS EVENING

Please remember that parents evening is bookable Friday 25/2/2022 at 6pm.

After School Clubs TERM 4

Tuesday – Gymnastics 3.15 to 4.15pm

Wednesday – Football 3.15 to 4.15pm

Thursday – Dodgeball 3.15 to 4.15pm

Congratulations to 4C for getting **100 %** attendance this week! Our whole school attendance for this week is **93.15%**. Fingers crossed for a better week next week.



ATTENDANCE FIGURES PER CLASS

4C = 100%

6A = 98.15%

2C = 97.93%

5C = 97.65%

1L = 96.43%

6P = 94.23%

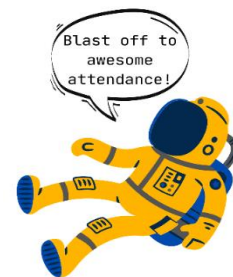
RA = 89.38%

3D = 86.29%

2/1P = 86 %

4B = 85 %

A huge congratulations to 4C for 100 % attendance.



This week we have had:

1. **14** students arriving late
2. This equates to **62 minutes** of learning **LOST!**
3. **6** unauthorised absences.



On **3rd March** we will celebrate World Book Day.

Our theme this year is 'Diversity' and we are inviting the children to come dressed in traditional clothes from their country, or colours of their flag.

Please bring in your favourite book to share with friends and you can invite your parents into school at the beginning or end of the day to enjoy some time reading as a family.



On the 16th March we look forward to welcoming Sonia Murray who will be holding a Parent and Carer workshop. Sonia has some wonderful suggestions to help parents and carers manage their children's behaviour positively.

We encourage parents to book a space by emailing office@tgs.nor.olicatschools.org or by popping into the office.



Year 4

As part of their Design Technology project, Year 4 were so excited to complete making their musical guitars at the end of last term. They all looked amazing!

Wonderful design work
Year 4!

REMINDER for 3D Mufti for Saint David's Day on Tuesday 1ST March

ABSENCE REPORTING

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

If you are informing us via voicemail, please tell us the following information in your message:

- Child's first and last name
- Child's class
- Reason for absence
- Please speak as clearly

Thank you

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.

The Cathedral Food Store

We have welcomed the Cathedral Food Store to our school. The Food Store has helped us to support many families this year and will now be working closely with this charity to store non-perishable foods before they are distributed from the Cathedral on Thursdays. 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.



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.

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.

Prayers for Ukraine

With the situation worsening in the Ukraine we have attached two prayers.

We hope they are of some use to you at this difficult time. Pope Francis is also calling us to make Ash Wednesday March 2nd a special time of prayer.

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