

The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School

18th March 2022 No: 24

Dear Parents and Carers,





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

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A message from Mrs Dodds

Thank you all so much for all your support this week, we feel very blessed to have such a supportive Community. The children looked fabulous on Wednesday as we raised awareness for the people of The Ukraine. We raised £180!

On Thursday everyone threw themselves in to St Patrick's Day and we are very grateful to Coombes for organising the wonderful colouring competition and prizes! Congratulations Keeva our winner we all loved your picture.

On Tuesday we welcomed NMPAT who delivered a live music session where we learnt all about pace, pitch, tempo, rhythm and listened to some of our favourite songs from the movies. We were really inspired, so much so that I was entertained in singing assembly this morning by the year 3/4 children singing 'we don't talk about Bruno!' Wonder what is in store next week?

Tuesday afternoon year 4-6 had a visit from our local PCSOs who talked about online safety and gangs. This was an extremely informative session and we would ask you to continue to monitor your child's online activities. We were alarmed to learn that a small group of children are playing inappropriate games online. They are not age appropriate and expose children to concerning graphic materials.

Finally we had the absolute joy of attending our first Lenten service for two years at the Cathedral. We joined the other Catholic Schools in Northampton. Our school was represented by year 5&6 children. The children were wonderful role models and we were extremely proud

We wish you all a wonderful sunny weekend!!

God Bless, Mrs Dodds











Tori – Leigh 19th March

Alexandra 22 March

Oscar 21st March

Prince 22nd March

Liam 22nd March

FOREST SCHOOL

Reception will be in the Forest on Monday 21st March not Wednesday 23rd March.

Please dress appropriately.



SWIMMING Class 5C Group 1

SWIMMING SESSIONS WILL CONTINUE WEDNESDAY'S REMEMBER YOUR KIT.



POLITE REMINDER GRACE JOHN COURT

We would ask that you avoid parking in the car park in order for us to continue to maintain positive relationships with all of the residents.

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 for getting attendance this week! Our whole school attendance for this week is .Fingers crossed for a better week next week.

ATTENDANCE FIGURES PER CLASS

4C = 99.47% 4B=96.50%

5C = 96.29%

RA = 95.94%

6P=94.64%

2C=94.48%

6A=94.44%

21/P=91.47%

1L=85.86

3D = 76.86%



This week we have had:

- 1. 19 students arriving late
- 2. This equates to 57 minutes of learning LOST!
- 9 pupils with 20 unauthorised absences.

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.

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!



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.

NOTICE BOARD

- *Please can we ask that children DO NOT bring in toys or cards from home to play with or swap.
- *Year 4 do you have any empty plastic bottles at home? Please bring in by Wednesday 23rd March.
- *Mother's Day Stall will be open Thursday 24th March £1 per gift.
- *Do you have any unwanted uniform or hangers that you could donate for our uniform sale on Thursday 31st March.

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.

