



The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School

27 May 2022 No: 27

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Gospel Value's this Term

Reconciliation

Respect

Courage

Love

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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Year 1 and 2

Year 1 and 2 have enjoyed a visit from PC Hawkins - a real life hero!

What an amazing opportunity to learn about what a Police Officers day involves. Thank you to PC Hawkins for the visit.



May Procession

On Thursday 26th May we celebrated our May Procession we welcomed Father Andrew from Northampton Cathedral, Mrs Darwin and several students from Thomas Becket. It was an incredibly prayerful and reflective experience.



Year 5 Knit and Natter

Year 5 have been enjoying a Monday afternoon knit and natter. They knitted lots of squares which have now been made into a blanket and sent to The Big Cat Protection Society. Well done year 5!



Olicat Speech Competition

On Thursday 26th May Year 4 entered students into the **Grand Final Northampton Olicat Primary Schools inaugural Speech Competition**. We are SO proud of each finalist But Edward in Year 4 came first and brought home the Trophy. Well done to all!





Basketball Ball Tournament

Good Shepherd are County Champions!!

So many comments from other Schools about their outstanding sportsmanship and what fantastic individuals they all are. We were wonderfully represented.

Year 2 Secret Agent Training

Year 2 successfully completed their week long Secret Agent Training and have had a great passing out ceremony with ice lollies and donuts to celebrate. Thank you for all the support including getting the children to school on time for breakfast.



DISCO

On Wednesday 25th May we had a School Disco. The children had a brilliant time, it was a pleasure to see them all having so much fun. There were some seriously fabulous dance moves spotted. A huge thanks to DJ Whyte and DJ Pearce for entertaining us, along side all the staff who stayed and had a good dance with the children.



REMINDER

We break up for Half Term Friday 27th may and return to School on Monday 6th June. Have a fabulous holiday!

School Council visit Guilhall

On Wednesday 25th May Mrs Hover (and some amazing helpers!) took our School Councillors to visit the Mayer at Guildhall. We were very proud to see them representing the School so well. What an amazing opportunity.



FOREST SCHOOL

Year 2 Monday 6th June

Year 1 Thursday 9th June

Please dress appropriately, including wearing long sleeves in the Forest even in warm weather.



SWIMMING CLASS 6P

**SWIMMING SESSIONS WILL BEGIN ON
WEDNESDAY 8th JUNE REMEMBER YOUR KIT.**



At the Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School we promote the Gospel Values Jesus taught us. Please make sure as parents you lead by example inside and outside of school. NO verbal abuse towards staff or between parents will be tolerated.

After School Clubs TERM 4

Tuesday – Gymnastics 3.15 to 4.15pm

Wednesday – Football 3.15 to 4.15pm

Thursday – Athletics 3.15- 4.15pm

Congratulations to 2C, 4B & 5C for getting **95%** attendance this week! Our whole school attendance for this week is **93.9%** Fingers crossed for a better week next week.



ATTENDANCE FIGURES PER YEAR

5C = 95%

4B = 95%

2C = 95%

4C = 94%

1L = 94%

6A = 93%

6P = 93%

3D = 92%

2/1P = 91%

RA = 83%

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.

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.



Michael 16th May

Blessing 23rd May

Ochere 17th May

Mara 24th May

Jamie 19th May

Lewis 25th May

Jacob 20th May

Riley 25th May

Maisie 20th May

Taiya 28th May

Malachi 21st May

A huge Happy Birthday from your Good Shepherd Family!