



The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers,

14th October 2022

Issue 3

Our Gospel Value's this Term

Integrity

Justice

Compassion

Love

CURRENT COVID-19 ADVICE

You can see the latest COVID -19 advice on our School website. By clicking this [link](#).

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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News Stories



We had a brilliant time celebrating our Schools Mass in Dunstable! Our Faith Ambassadors were amazing representatives of our school. We held our Good Shepherd banner with pride. It was so lovely to bump into some familiar faces!

YEAR 6

Have you paid your deposit for Whitemoor Lakes and brought back the consent form?

Click [here](#) for a reminder of all the fun year 6 had when they went last year.

MATHS WEEK

14th -18th November

Parents 14th November

On Thursday 13th October, a selection of children from Key Stage 2 were given the opportunity to attend a Reward Day offered by the Northamptonshire Trampoline Gymnastics Academy. The children had a wonderful day packed full of energetic and exciting activities which included:

Trampolining: the sky was the limit with a structured session in an Olympic training venue, home to British and World Champions, right here in Northampton! All under the watchful eye of a British Gymnastic instructor.

Archery: the children tested their skills with a fun soft archery session, under the guidance of experienced instruction.

Circus Skills: the children tried their hand at diabolo, plate spinning, juggling and stilt walking!



On Thursday 6th October, Year 5 and Year 6 celebrated Mass at St Aidan's. It was wonderful to join the congregation in prayer.

On Thursday 13th October, Year 4 celebrated Mass at St. Aidan's with Fr Andrew. A few members of the congregation mentioned how well behaved the children were during Mass. Whilst there, we had a special treat! We visited the beautiful organ and had an amazing view of the altar.





Forest School sessions are now being enjoyed by each year group. Please check on your child's classroom door for their Forest School Day.



[Here](#) is a handy page that you may like to click on for help and support

St Bernadette Class visit the Relics

On Wednesday 12th October, class St Bernadette visited and took part in assembly about the holy relics of St Bernadette in Northampton Cathedral. We were joined by children from St Gregorys Primary School and St Bernadettes Primary School in Milton Keynes. The children were extremely well behaved and sat in awe and wonder looking at the relics. It was a very special moment. All the children left with some holy water from Lourdes, France and an information booklet.



Mrs Dodds is keeping an eye on the IXL Leader board are you on it?



A huge THANK YOU to all Pupils, Parents and Staff that took part in our Open Morning.

Attendance and Celebrations

ATTENDANCE FIGURES PER CLASS

3L = 98% 3F = 97%

5P = 96% 2P = 95%

1N = 95%

2C = 93%

4C = 92%

6D = 94%

5B = 91%



Congratulations to **CLASS 3L** for getting attendance this week!

Our whole school attendance for this week **94.4 %** is Fingers crossed for a better week next week.

Happy Birthday to you

Sophia 11th October

Keeva 11th October

Keris 14th October

Iris 14th October

Gaia 15th October

Regan 15th October



A Birthday Prayer

Heavenly Father, We praise you for all your gifts to us. In a special way, we thank you. Bless our birthday child always in your love. Bless us too, Holy Father, and this food with which we celebrate. Help us all to praise you and give you glory Through Jesus Christ our lord. Amen.



Notices and Important Dates

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), Miss Smith (Deputy Head) Mrs Bonner (EYFS Lead) and Miss Baggott (SEN Support).

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.

Dates for your Diary

Every other week we send a Dates for your Diary out. In here will be term dates, mufti days, school trips etc ...If you need to refer to this during the week you can find it [here](#) on the website. Please remember Harvest Festival Mufti on Wednesday 19/10/22. We break up for Half Term on Wednesday 19/10/22.

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.



PE and Forest School

There are set days for each PE and Forest School. Please look out on your child's classroom window for these set days or ask the Class Teacher if you are unsure.

Please ensure your child is wearing correct uniform at all times. You can find uniform details [here](#).

Please note a small stud earrings are allowed in school. However no earrings are permitted to be worn in [PE](#).

SWIMMING CLASS 5B

SWIMMING SESSIONS CONTINUE EVERY WEDNESDAY PLEASE 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 tolerate