



The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary Academy

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Diary Dates

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May

24 th	Year 1 grandparents' day
25 th	Jubilee Celebration Event
26 th	Ascension Day – 9.30am mass in school – all are welcome
27 th	PTA non-uniform 'Bend the Rules Day' (flyer attached). Half term begins!

June

6 th	Return to school
6 th -8 th	5AM to Hathersage
8 th -10 th	5MS to Hathersage
18 th	First Holy Communion – 11am in Church
20 th	First Holy Communion mass in school – 9.30am
20 th	EYFS 'book look' from 3pm
21 st	KS1 'book look' from 3pm
21 st	PTA Meeting to finalise Summer Fayre – 7pm in school
22 nd	KS2 'book look' from 3pm
28 th	New starters parents' meeting – 6pm in the hall
29 th	Feast of St Peter & Paul mass in school - 9.30am

July

1 st	Summer Fayre – 3.30-6pm
5 th	Year 1 trip to Brackenhurst Outdoor Centre
7 th	Nursery trip to Wheelgate
8 th	Year 3 trip to Magna Science Centre
11 th	Year 4 trip to Attenborough Nature Reserve
11 th	Reception trip to Twycross Zoo
12 th	Year 2 to Sherwood Forest
14 th	Year 4 visit to CTK
19 th	Year 5 visit to CTK
19 th /20 th	Year 6 Performance - 6pm
25 th	Leavers Mass – 9.30am
25 th	Last day of term



Queen's Jubilee Celebrations



We are looking forward to having our Jubilee Party Day on Wednesday and hope the weather is kind to us! Remember, that children are invited to dress up in clothing from any time during the Queen's reign or they might just want to come dressed in red, white and blue. Each year group will be singing a song from each of the different decades and parents are welcome to join us for this at 3pm in the school playground. Also, KS2 – don't forget to send your child in with their food donations.

Also, to commemorate the Jubilee, the government has gifted every primary school child across the United Kingdom a book called: Queen Elizabeth: A Platinum Jubilee Celebration. The book takes children on a journey through The Queen's life with chapters on her family and friends, achievements, work with charities, Jubilee celebrations and finally on Commonwealth innovations that have changed the world over the last century. Your child (Reception to Year 6) will bring their copy home on Wednesday.

Sports Day Timetable

Year Group	Date	Time
Nursery	11 th July	2.15pm
Reception	13 th July	9.15-10.15am
Year 1 & 2	14 th July	2pm
Year 3 & 4	12 th July	2pm
Year 5 & 6	13 th July	2pm

You are very welcome to join us... all events will take place on the school field.

Mobile Phones in School

It is great that we can welcome you into school for so many events this term. Can I please remind you that in order to safeguard all pupils, we have a no mobile phones policy in operation across school and we expect full adherence to this. May thanks for your cooperation.

Book Looks – 3 till 4pm

We hope you can visit your child's class as part of our 'book looks' next half term. Please note that we also welcome Isobel Rae, a Children's Mental Health practitioner who will have a pop-up stall in the outdoor classroom on 22nd June. She is available for any parent who would like to talk to her about children's mental health and the types of support available to them.

First Reconciliation

Many of our Year 3 children received the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Saturday. Fr Philipp and the other visiting priests were so impressed with how well prepared and reverent the children were during the service. We now look forward to their First Holy Communion on 18th June when they will receive Jesus for the first time. Parents - please look out for a letter in the coming weeks with further information about the day and the celebration in school on the following Monday.

Summer Fayre & PTA Events

Many thanks to those of you who attended the PTA meeting last week. Along with this newsletter are the minutes of the meeting. We are still looking for helpers on the day, so if you can spare half an hour, please email: goodshepherdpta@hotmail.com

Also, we will be running our Summer Raffle again this year, so if you have a business or products you can donate to our raffle or tombola stall as a prize please let us know.

Maria Dignan

Maria Dignan, a former midday supervisor, passed away recently after a period of ill health. Maria worked at the Good Shepherd for over 13 years and was much loved by everyone. Please remember her family in your prayers – funeral details are yet to be announced.

Ascension Mass

Please join us for mass this Thursday morning at 9.30am to celebrate the feast of the Ascension. The children have been busy learning some beautiful new hymns for the occasion and I can assure you of a truly uplifting and joyful experience.

Many thanks as always for all your support for the Good Shepherd School and I hope you all have a wonderful half term holiday. Remember HA4K is available for those who need it – Monday to Wednesday only.

Happy Jubilee,



Mrs Toner

