

The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary Academy

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Headteacher Newsletter 13, 21st June 2024

June			
22 nd	60 th Anniversary Mass at church – 6pm		
25 th	Year 6 book look		
28 th Non-uniform day – bring a bottle for the Summer Fayre			
	Summer Fayre – 3.30-6pm		
July			
2 nd	Nursery 'book look' – 2.30pm start		
3 rd	Reception to Twycross		
8 th	Y3 to Nottingham Castle		
8 th & 9 th	Year 6 transition days to Christ the King		
10 th	Transition afternoon – children meet their new teachers – years 1 to 6.		
11 th	Nursery to Wheelgate		
11 th	Y5 Christ the King parent meeting – date change		
12 th	Parish 'Jubilee Big Sing': 7-8.30pm – all welcome		
15 th	Year 4 to Christ the King – morning only		
	Year 5 to Christ the King – afternoon only		
16 th	Year 2 to Sherwood Forest		
17 th	Year 6 Bowling & Ice-Skating trip		
	Year 1 to Stonebridge Farm		
18 th	Year 4 trip to Attenborough Nature Reserve		
19 th	PTA Break the Rules Day		
23 rd / 24 th	Year 6 Production – 6pm		
24 th	Year 2 Beach Day		
26 th	Leavers Mass in Church – 9.45am		
	Last day of term		

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you had a lovely half term break – although it already feels like a long time ago! The children have come back to school in great spirits and have got many exciting things coming up. We look forward to spending the last few weeks together before the summer holidays begin.

Many thanks also to all of you who have attended the 'book looks' over the past few days – the children have loved sharing their learning with you and I hope you have enjoyed seeing the progress they have made over the past year.

Please do keep a copy of the dates for diary above for your reference (as some timings may have changed). I look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming events – Summer Fayre, Sports Day, Leavers' mass...to name just a few.

We will communicate your child's new teacher to you prior to the transition day on 10th July.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Toner

Sports Day Timetable

Year Group	Date	Time
Nursery	Thurs 27th June	9.15am
Reception	Tues 9 th July	9.15am
Year 1 & 2	Weds 10 th July	9.15am
Year 3 & 4	Thurs 11th July	9.15am
Year 5 & 6	Fri 12 th July	9.15am

First Holy Communion

Many congratulations to the children who made their First Holy Communion a couple of weeks ago. It was a truly wonderful celebration, and the children took part with such enthusiasm and reverence. Many thanks to all involved – parents, catechists and staff.

Staffing News

We said goodbye to Mrs McGee at the end of last month. We want to thank her for her contribution to the Good Shepherd school and parish community and would like to take this opportunity to wish her the very best of luck in the future.

Miss Ryan returns from her maternity leave at the beginning of July and will be teaching in Mr Barfield's class on a Monday and Tuesday until the end of term.

Jubilee Big Sing

Some members of the school choir are excited to be taking part in the Parish Jubilee Big Sing on 12th July at 6.30pm and will be leading the congregation in three of the hymns. We would really like some further volunteers to join them (from years 4, 5 or 6). If your child would like to take part, please complete this Microsoft form.

Summer Fayre

The Summer Fayre is just a week away and we urgently need your help! It takes a village to pull off a successful event so please see the attached information from the PTA re how you can support.

As usual, the children from each year group are running their own enterprise stalls and need your help:

Teddy Tombola

Reception are running the Teddy Tombola this year and need donations of good quality, clean soft toys – to be in school for Thursday 27th June.

Cake Stall

Year 6 are running the cake stall and need donations of both home-made and shop bought cakes (please adhere to the school's no-nuts policy) – to be in school on Friday 28th June.

In addition, please be reminded:

Non-uniform - bring a bottle on Friday 28th June

Also, please be reminded that next Friday is Non uniform day - bring a bottle. Please bring an unopened bottle (beer, wine, soft drinks etc) for our bottle stall. Donations will be collected at the school gate before the children enter for the day.

Raffle tickets – closes on Arbor on Tuesday 25th June

Huge thanks to those who have already purchased raffle tickets – either at Church or via Arbor. The prizes this year are just amazing, with the top one being a family holiday at Primrose Valley. Cost is £1 a ticket – buy 9 and get one free!

We are sure this year's event will be a great success and hope that you are able to support us with this.

Now that the sun has finally decided to show its face, can I please remind you that all children should come to school with a sun hat/cap, a bottle of water and suncream already applied. Thank you.