 **Good Shepherd News**

**October 2019**



**We are well and truly into the swing of things now!**

**October is looking like it’s going to be a busy one too.**

**We will celebrate our new school year on Monday 30th September when we will all gather together with our school family for our beginning of year School Mass.**

**Members of our local Community will be working alongside us in school to enhance our pupils learning experiences, and many of our pupils will be out and about for learning opportunities outside of the classroom.**

**Our Annual Halloween Draw will take place on 30th October. Tickets are £5 each, available to pay on Parentpay and collect in office. Your support will be greatly appreciated for much needed school funds!**

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| **October 2019** | | | | | | |
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Nursery pupils stay for dinner: see Nursery note for specific dates

Mon 30th Sept: Y3-Y7 After School Activities begin. Make sure

you’re on time to pick up your children no later than 4pm.

School Soccer Team matches: 1st/8th 15th/22ndOct @ 3-4pm

Mon 7th Oct: Y5 Fire Service visit

Thurs 10th Oct: Cancer Focus NI Programme Nursery-Y7

Fri 11th Oct: Cross Country Team Thornhill @ 11:15am

Mon 14th Oct: Photographer - individuals & families

Wed 16th: Mrs Desmond/Mrs Doran’s Y2 class Assembly @ 09:05

Thurs 17th Mrs Mitchell’s Y2 class Assembly @ 09:05

Mon 21st Oct: Y3 Gruffalo Trail in Gortin Glen – Miss Whitehouse

Tues 22nd Oct: Y3 Gruffalo Trail in Gortin Glen – Mrs Mc Cormack

Wed 23rd Oct: Photographer - Nursery, Y1 & Y7 class & staff photos

Wed 30th Oct: Parky the Magician: Nursery – Y3

Wed 30th Oct: Y4 Autumn Walk in Gortin Glen

Thurs 31st & Fri 1st Nov: Holiday

Dates for your Diary

**Take Note:**

\***Remember** **Morning supervision** begins at **08:30am**. Children should **not** be left unattended in playground before 08:30am.

\***Positive Behaviour Management**: Your child has brought home their classroom plan. Please discuss this with your child, sign and return to the class teacher.

\***After School Activities begin on Monday 30th September 2019.** Year 3 & 4 pupils need only to change their footwear and the girls should bring a pair of shorts/leggings. Years 5-7 need to bring PE gear. Children will be brought down the path at the front of the school for collection. Make sure you are at school on time to pick your child up… No later than 4pm!

\*Remember to keep **ALL** payments up to date: dinners, trips, activities… **must** be paid **in advance**. Already there are a number of accounts in deficit. Due to budgetary constraints it is essential that payments are made **in full** and **on time**. At the end of each week if your account is in deficit we will be making contact with you in order to address this.

**\*Parentpay:** If you haven’t already set up your child’s account in Parentpay please do so as soon as possible. If you have any difficulties setting it up call into the office and Mrs Doherty will be happy to help.

\*Curriculum Information sheets have been sent home for your information.

**\*Health & Safety:** Please ensure that you do NOT send nuts or foods containing nuts into school with your child. We have children in school with severe nut allergies.

\*Parking in school grounds is for staff & disabled parking only. Disabled badges must be displayed.

**Announcements!**

**Our new School Website is well on its way. We will keep you posted on when it is going live!**



Staff in Good Shepherd held a Coffee Morning / lunch in school on Monday 23/09/19 and raised £277.80 for Macmillan. Thanks everyone for your generosity of spirit!

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