

Headteacher's Weekly Briefing: 22/4/24

"I am the good shepherd. I know each of my sheep and they know me" John 10: 11-18

Last Sunday is known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The Gospel reminds us that Jesus is the Good Shepherd and that if we listen to him, we can rely on him to guide our lives in the right direction. It reminds us that Jesus is the patient shepherd who never gives up on us. Jesus encourages his disciples to put their trust in him. Part of a shepherd's job is to look after sheep and help them to stay safe. When we trust Jesus to lead us, just as a shepherd leads his sheep, he helps us to make the right choices and fills our lives with goodness and holiness.

Today we are going to think about "TRUST." Knowing who to trust is really important. A friend who can be trusted is a gift from God! Jesus the Good Shepherd, wants us to place our trust in him, so that he can care for us and guide our lives.

This week we are thinking about our School Value of Goodness - To be good towards others, to make the right choices and live the way Jesus tells us to.

In the words of Pope Francis: "Let us trust in Jesus the Lord!"

Jesus continues to be our Good Shepherd through the lives of people who show us how to live in a way that pleases God, when we let Jesus guide us, just as a shepherd leads his sheep, we begin to experience the fullness of life, to live in God's love here and now! Let us think of how we can show our trust in God.....Perhaps rather than worry, pray and share any worries we may have with Jesus. Jesus wants to make our lives special and complete and he wants us to make life better for others too.

Spring Term Attendance - Congratulations goes to St Francis' class who achieved the best overall attendance across the whole of the Spring Term. Well done also goes to St Bernadette's class for the best half term attendance before the Easter holidays. Both classes can come to school in their own clothes this Friday as a reward. Well done!

The children with 100% attendance for the Spring term have also put their names on our School Attendance Board in the hall - Well done to all of them. Keep up the great work!

Well done also goes to St Teresa's class for best attendance last week - John Bear will spend this week in their classroom.

Mass Dates for this term: Fr Mario has confirmed the following dates for our Summer Term Masses at St John's Church. Please note the change of year groups for the Masses.

Tuesday 30th April - Mass for Year 2 and Year 4

Tuesday 16th July - Mass for F2, Y1 and Y2

Upcoming Diary Dates:

Tuesday 30th April: Mass for Year 2 and Year 4 at St John's Church (9am) - The children will need to be dropped off at church that morning. All parents/ families are welcome to join us for Mass. If any parents can help walk the children back to school after Mass, we would be very grateful. Thank you

Wednesday 1st May: We are celebrating our first Mission Day this term: "**May the Month of Mary**" - the children will spend some time in their classrooms exploring this after celebrating an assembly with the school

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday Monday

Wednesday 8th May – Year 1 Trip to Church Farm (more details to follow)

Thursday 9th May – St Teresa's (Miss Sharkey/Mrs Kirwan) Class Assembly (9am)

Have a great week

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