Lucas, Daniel and Nicole are coming to Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC



"One Fold, One Family, Walking with Christ"

What happens when I get to school or nursery?



Your grown-ups will take you to your classroom door, where your teacher will be waiting.

"Goodbye, Mummy," says Nicole. She is very excited about coming to school.

You will go into your classroom and hang up your coat on your own special coat peg. You will also bring some wellies which will stay in school for 'Welly Wednesdays'.

You will put your water bottle on the lunchtime trolley. If you have brought a lunch box from home, you will put this on the trolley as well.





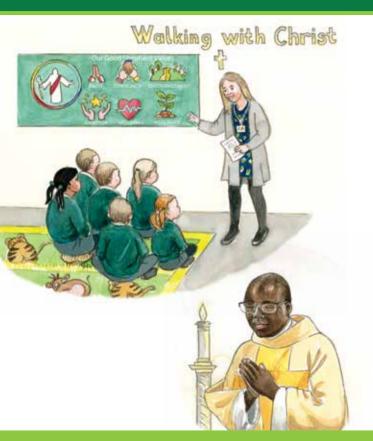


You will find your name card and move it to your group on the wall, like Nicole is doing.



Then you will sit on the carpet with your friends and your teacher will check who is in nursery or reception, ask you what you would like for your lunch and tell you all about the fun you are going to have that day.

Are you excited about coming to school?



We follow the teachings of Jesus, which helps make Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School a kind and loving place.

You will pray throughout the day, which helps us remember to be thankful for everything God has given us.

We also celebrate Easter, Christmas and other religious festivals and when the older children at school make their Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Father Moses will come to say mass in school each term. Sometimes we will travel to church to celebrate mass with him there and sometimes we will watch mass from church on the webcam.

We have school assemblies every week. On Mondays we learn from the Bible and on Fridays we celebrate when you have done really well or have been kind or tried hard.



The teachers, other adults and children at Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School are very kind. When you come to nursery or school, you will join our school family. There are lots of brilliant activities in nursery.

Daniel is playing outside. It is Welly Wednesday so he has got his wellies on. He is having lots of fun playing with his friends.

"I love jumping in the leaves," he says. "And I love playing with my friends."

Now he is indoors playing Numicon with Sophie.

"How many circles are there on the blue shape?" asks Sophie.

"There are six circles," says Daniel.

Water Tray

Garden Area

Writing

What would you like to thank God for?

What do you like playing with your friends?

Reading with Teacher



Sometimes you will do activities with your teacher and Story Time sometimes you will do activities with your friends. You will learn and make friends as you play.

Lucas and Nicole are stacking blocks.

"Do you think you can make the tower bigger than we are?" asks Lucas.

"I don't know. Let's find out," says Nicole. The children are having fun playing together.

You will also do P.E. where you will have fun running, dancing and playing sports. You will put a special uniform on for P.E. by yourself so practise lots before you come to school or nursery.

"I did it!" says Lucas. He can't wait to start his P.E. lesson. Understanding the World You can go to the toilet whenever you need to. Just let your teacher know where you are going.

If you are in nursery and you need help, your teacher will go with you.

If you are in reception, you will go to the toilet by yourself. If you need help or have an accident, don't worry. Just tell your teacher and they will help. Your grown-ups will leave some named spare clothes at school. Lucas is going to the toilet.

"I am going to remember to flush when I have finished," he says. He practised going by himself before he came to school.

Nicole is washing her hands with soap and warm water and she will dry them before she goes back to the classroom.

"I am washing my hands to make sure I don't spread germs," she says.

Can you go to the toilet by yourself?

What happens if I am hungry or thirsty?

Every morning, you will have a snack. We call snack time 'Chatty Snack' because you will sit with your friends and chat while you eat. You can have fruit and milk or water.

"What shall I have today?" asks Daniel. What would you choose?

"What have you enjoyed doing today?" asks Lucas.

"I loved playing outside in the leaves," says Daniel. "What did you like best?"

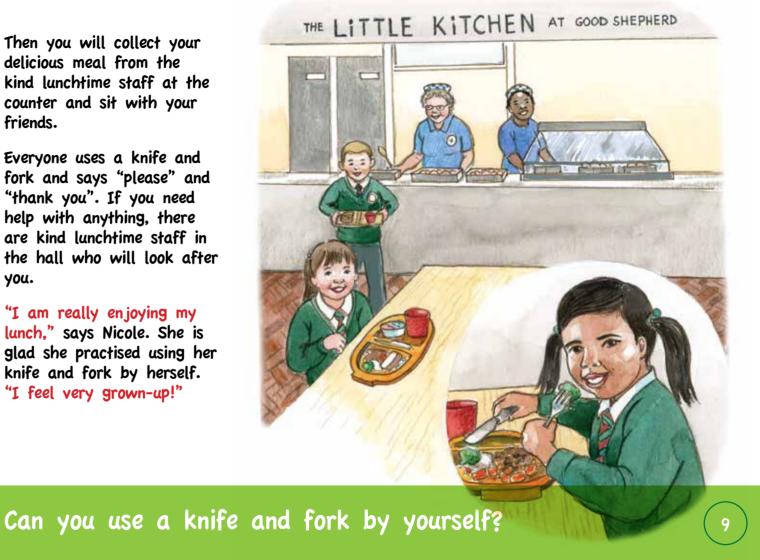
If you are in nursery and stopping for your lunch, or in reception, your teacher will take you to the hall. You will say Grace to thank God for your meal:

Bless us, 0 God, as we sit together, Bless the food we eat today. Bless the hands that made the food. Bless us. O God. Amen.

Then you will collect your delicious meal from the kind lunchtime staff at the counter and sit with your friends.

Everyone uses a knife and fork and says "please" and "thank you". If you need help with anything, there are kind lunchtime staff in the hall who will look after you.

"I am really enjoying my lunch," says Nicole. She is glad she practised using her knife and fork by herself. "I feel very grown-up!"



What happens at the end of the nursery session or school day?



You will sit on the carpet and listen to a story.

Today the children are listening to the teacher read The Gruffalo. Do you know this story?

Sometimes you will bring in things from home to talk about with your class.

When it is time to go home, you will fetch your coat and belongings, and your teacher will take you to the door.

Your grown-ups will wait outside your classroom.



Your teacher will stand at the door and when they see your grown-ups, they will let you go outside to go home.

Nursery children who are stopping for lunch will be taken to the hall by a teacher.

Daniel is going home with his mum.

"I have had lots of fun today," he says. "I loved playing outside in the leaves."

You will take books home to read with your grown-ups every day.

It is bedtime and Nicole and her mum are looking at The Gruffalo.

"We read this book in school today," she says. "My teacher did all the funny voices when she read it!"

What is your favourite story?

Daniel, Lucas and Nicole love coming to Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School



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