



# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

Part of The Romero Catholic Academy

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March 2021



Dear parents, children, staff and parishioners,



Happy Friday once again everyone! They say time flies when you are having fun and I think that is certainly the case here for us at St Gregory's! It has been a real privilege to be able to be a part of some of the children's lessons this week and discuss their learning with them. They really are a credit to us all, as even though the majority have worked at home for the last 3 months, they are still able to approach their learning with both determination and enthusiasm – it really is like they haven't been away! Both myself and Mr Madia are now looking forward to seeing how they flourish for the remainder of this academic year. We know that each and every one of them are capable of great things. And to support the children in achieving these great things, we have been making lots of plans to ensure that our curriculum offers active experiences and that, as a school, we are able to provide a variety of opportunities for all children to thrive.

For in the words of Aristotle: *Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.*

## Lent

We are continuing on our Lenten journey and it has been lovely to hear the many ways that the children have been raising money as part of our 'Captain Tom's Century Challenge'. Next week, Mr Hastings will be working with the children during their PE lessons to help them achieve their century too! Any sponsorship the children are able to raise as a result of this challenge, will be shared between our Lenten Charities.



We are also enjoying participating in One Life's daily reflections and welcome these opportunities to spend time with God each day during Lent. It has also been lovely to include singing as part of our liturgy once again.

## ☆Star Workers of the Week☆

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Siya	Hallie	Anoushka	Jayden	Skyla	Jiya	Nicholas	Margarithe
P.E. Days (come to school dressed in P.E Kits)							
N/A	Tuesday Friday	Tuesday Wednesday	Tuesday Wednesday	Tuesday Wednesday	Thursday Friday	Monday Friday	Monday Thursday
Attendance: 95.9% Overall (total attendance for the week for the whole school) Our school target for this year is 97%.							
94.8%	90.7%	97.5% 😊	97.1% 😊	92.6%	95%	96.4%	98.5% 😊
Class Attendance Winner		Year 6 😊					

## A Visit from Mrs Quinn – CSEL for the Romero Academy

"Thank you for making me so welcome on the visit today. It was wonderful to see how settled the children are; the classrooms were a hive of learning. Speaking to two children from each year group, they are enjoying being back amongst their friends; they were very proud to share their work in their books."

## Parent Consultations \*Update\*

All parents are invited to attend a 10 minute consultation with their child's Class Teacher to discuss how they have settled back into school life.

For EYFS & Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 - these will take place on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March** from 1pm – 7pm.

For Year 1 these will take place on **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March** from 1pm – 7pm.

Time slots are available to book via the Arbor App.

If you are having trouble, please contact the school office and they will be happy to assist you with this.



## Look at our Learning!



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## Sacramental Preparation and Dates

Unfortunately, the Coronavirus pandemic and its many lockdowns have put many of our plans on hold. This has also impacted upon our Sacramental Programme for our children in Years 3 and 4, who are waiting to make their First Holy Communion and Year 6 who are waiting to be Confirmed. However, as we begin our journey towards normality once again, we have been able to make plans for these Sacraments to take place. Apologies for the wait in confirming these dates with you all, however, we wanted to avoid having to cancel multiple times due to restrictions in place. That being said, myself and Mr Madia met with Fr Des this week, and are pleased to inform you of the following dates:



The Sacrament of Confirmation  
Year 6 ~ Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm

First Holy Communion  
Year 3 & 4 ~ Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 11.30am

These sacraments have been planned to take place after the 21<sup>st</sup> June, when hopefully we will see the easing of restrictions on gatherings as per the Prime Minister's Road Map. However, should we need to impose any additional measures or make any amendments to these dates, we will inform you of this as soon as we can. I hope now that we are able to look forward to these special milestones in the children's Journey of Faith.

## School Meals

Mrs Mockford, our talented Catering Manager, has been busy in our kitchen designing a hot meal menu. We can confirm that ALL options are very tasty indeed! We take daily orders, therefore, if your child likes the look of a particular dish, why not let them order a school meal for that day? All they need to do is inform their teacher that they would like a school meal during registration and make their selection. You can then pay for this meal via our Arbor App. Meals are currently priced at £2.22 and also include fruit or cake of the day and a bottle of water. Please remember that all children in EYFS and Years 1 & 2 are entitled to a free school meal each day.

a home-cooked  
**MEAL**  
is a labor of love

Take a look at the options below:

Monday ~ Chicken Burger or Cheese Swirl & Wedges  
Tuesday ~ Spaghetti Bolognese or Quorn Bolognese  
Wednesday ~ Sausage or Quorn Sausage & Mash  
Thursday ~ Chicken or Sweet Potato Curry & Rice  
Friday ~ Fish & Chips or Veggie Burger & Chips



A **Jacket Potato** option is also available each day. This can be served with either **cheese** or **beans**.

## House Captains and Vice Captains

We are looking to launch a new positive behaviour system in school and introduce a house system. With this, we would also like to appoint 4 House Captains and 4 Vice Captains who will take on Pupil Leadership Roles within school. This week, I went to speak to our children in Years 5 and 6 and explained what these roles would entail. The children had lots of questions and were excited to hear of this amazing opportunity. Those who were interested in these positions have been invited to apply and have an application to complete which should be returned by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March. Exciting times ahead!

TAKE  
ADVANTAGE  
OF  
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OPPORTUNITY

## Remembering Fr Bob



Recently, we have been working to remodel certain aspects of the school so that the children have an inspiring environment to learn in and to be proud of. Our most recent refurbishment has been of our school hall. For us, the school hall is at the heart of our school and is a place where we can come together as a St Gregory's family. It is also a place in which we can come together to worship God, reflect upon the beauty of life and celebrate our successes. When we thought about the uses of our hall, another person also came to mind – Fr Bob! He was also the heart of our school and brought us all together for many of the same reasons as detailed above. Therefore, as a tribute to Fr Bob and reminder of his lasting legacy the newly renovated hall will now be known as the 'Robert Wright Hall'. Something which we all know he would have loved and will be our special way of remembering him. He is forever in our thoughts and always in our hearts. If you would like to donate to assist with our refurbishment, you can do so here: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/therobertwrighthall>

Thank you to all of our families and parishioners for the generous donations so far, we are forever grateful for your support.

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### We need your help – Community Project!

As you know, improving the school environment has been a high priority on Mr Madia and Mrs Scullion's School Improvement Plan. We have made a huge start on the inside and the time has now come to make a start on the outside areas too! We are hoping to renovate the courtyard area, which is situated outside the hall and the library. We are hoping to make this something of a community project and therefore are looking for people or families who wouldn't mind volunteering and giving up their time to help us clear this area. If you would like to be a part of this project, please can you email Mrs Scullion to volunteer: [m.scullion@romeromac.com](mailto:m.scullion@romeromac.com)

Please note: You would need to be available on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June (This date is subject to Covid restrictions lifting).



### Next week at a glance

Date	Time	Activity
<b>Value and Virtue – Attentive and Discerning</b>		
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	9.30am & 11.30am	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent (Parish Mass at St John Fisher)
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	4pm	LAC Meeting
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	11am	One Life Music Lenten Prayer Service
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	12pm	National Day of Reflection for Covid-19 (1 minute silence)
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	9.15am	St Oscar Romero's Feast Day Mass – Live Streamed from St John Fisher
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	All Day	Romero Celebration Day
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	1.30pm	Year Four – Rainforest Animal Experience
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am & 11.30am	Palm Sunday (Parish Mass at St John Fisher)

### Thought of the Week ..



Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Scullion



**Invitation**  
The Romero Catholic Academy

## Feast of Saint Oscar Romero

**Join us online**

**Celebrant**

**Father Des**

**Wednesday 24th March at 9.15am**

YouTube streamed from Saint John Fisher Church

Click [here](#) for link.

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-3M8fA3IW\\_yGloeeMqn2Kw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-3M8fA3IW_yGloeeMqn2Kw)

This Mass will be streamed into classrooms/ offices across all eight schools and the Readings will be led by the RE Leads in each of our schools.

Use the tag to share your photo on the day:

**#RomeroCelebratesOscar**



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