



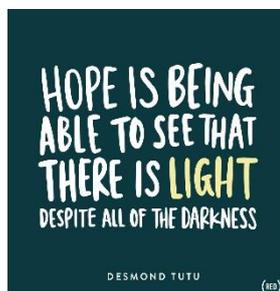
# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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Dear parents, children, staff and parishioners,



The school was certainly alive with excitement this week as the Olympic Torch came to St Gregory's – and we definitely gave it a welcome to remember! The Olympic Torch is always best known for the way it unites people & countries alike and as a visible sign of hope. And, it was no different for us this week. After spending what feels like an age apart due to the Covid Pandemic, it was absolutely wonderful for us all to be able to come together as a school this week and celebrate an event in, what I hope comes to be known as, *true St Gregory's style*. The children haven't been able to enjoy something together for so long and it really was a special moment when we were reunited outside on Wednesday and were able to dance, sing and laugh together. With it, the flame also brought a sign of hope. Reminding us that, as with any dark time, light is never far away. It certainly felt like that light is drawing ever near to us this week, and that the celebrations that have happened little and often for so many of us over this past year will hopefully be back once again very soon. After all, if Wednesday's Olympic Torch celebration is anything to go by – there are definitely bright times ahead for St Gregory's and plenty more memories to be made!

### ☆ Star of the Week ☆

Our Celebration Assembly was full of joy this week as we were told of all of the children's fabulous achievements. Congratulations to all of our Stars of the Week!

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Zuriel	Jamie	Gabriel	Kenzie	Joshua	Evie-Mae	Eliana	Allen
P.E. Days (come to school dressed in P.E Kits)							
n/a	Tuesday	Wednesday Friday	Wednesday Thursday	Monday <b>*Swimming Kits*</b>	Tuesday Friday	Tuesday Friday	Monday Thursday
Attendance: 96.1% Overall (total attendance for the week for the whole school) Our school target for this year is 97%.							
95.6%	98.2% 😊	98.6%	97.1%	93.2%	98.5% 😊	95.5%	94.4%
Class Attendance Winner		Year 1 😊					
House Point Winner		Weekly Winner: Herbert ~ 231 Points			Overall Winner: Herbert ~ 741 Points		

### May is the Month of Mary

As we enter the final week of May next week, our thoughts and our prayers turn especially to Mary our Mother in this month of dedication. Next Friday, we will be holding our May Procession to pay homage to Our Lady; to think about her in our own lives and our faith. We will praise her through hymns and prayers. The newly appointed GIFT team will lead us in this celebration which will be recorded for you all to view at home should you wish. We are also asking the children to bring in flowers to lay at the statue of Our Lady as a special sign of homage to her. Children can bring in their flowers on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May.



### Reading Review

On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May, Mrs Quinn (CSEL of the Romero Academy) and Miss McGinty (Strategic Lead for School Improvement) will be visiting us to conduct a review of our Reading Provision. In order to get a full picture of the school, they will be hoping to speak to some of you during drop off that morning. They may ask you what you think of your child's progress in reading, how you feel we promote reading as a school or if we have done anything to raise the profile of reading lately. Your feedback will help us shape the future of what we are able to offer as a school – it is always most welcome.

### Uniform Reminder

Please can I remind you that if your child is wearing a shirt to school, they must also wear a tie. Unfortunately, we have a large number of children who seem to be without a tie at the moment. We do have these for sale from the office for the small cost of £5. If you would like to purchase a tie for your child, feel free to pop into the office either before or after school and Mrs Bruneau will happily assist you.



### PCSO visits Year 5 and 6

Today, Year 5 and 6 were visited by Libby our local Police Community Support Officer. Libby spoke with the children about the importance of staying safe online and how to use social media safely. The children found the session informative and are more aware of their 'online presence'. They are also aware that most social media sites are for users aged over 13 and if not, they understand the need to keep their profiles private.

It may now be worth having a chat with your children about this session and ensure that they know what to do if they are ever worried about something that happens online.

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## Royal Mail Stamp Competition

A reminder that the children's stamp entries should be handed in by **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May**. We have had some lovely entries so far and are looking forward to submitting them to the Royal Mail next week!

## Olympic Torch Relay!

What an exciting week we've had! On Wednesday, all the children of St Gregory's warmly welcomed the arrival of the Olympic torch (from the 1948 London Olympics) from the children at Wyken Croft Primary School. We all had a joyous morning celebrating as a school community. The morning was full of excitement, dancing and cheering. The torch is making its way around 54 schools in Coventry as part of the Flame of Friendship relay, to not only spread hope and friendship between the schools, but also to create a build of excitement around this year's upcoming Olympic Games.

On Wednesday, all of the children then had the opportunity to hold the torch and find out lots of information about the history of the Olympic torch and the Olympic Games. We felt so honoured to be able to give our children this amazing opportunity. Thursday morning then saw the school community come together again to celebrate sending the torch onto Clifford Bridge Academy, with the children selected to be part of the Team Torch. With Team Torch formed, our children went on their way carrying the torch to Clifford Bridge where they were greeted with the warmest of welcomes by cheering, confetti cannons and an incredible band! The torch will now continue its journey around the schools spreading hope and friendship.

We look forward to attending the closing ceremony of the torch relay later in July. We celebrated this momentous occasion in true St Gregory's style, making this event one to be remembered. Please see our Facebook page for more photos and videos of the event.



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### Nursery Gate – Safety Concern

As part of our Nursery offer, provision starts at 8.30am and ends at 2.30pm. As these times fall outside of our drop off and collection times for years Reception ~ Year 6, we have a Nursery Gate in use solely for the Parents and Carers of our Nursery children. However, recently some parents have been congregating outside of this gate prior to 8.30am and allowing their children to run up and down the car park, the paths to the kitchen & school office; play in between the parked cars in the car park and access the gardens and knock the front door of our Site Service Officer's house. Unfortunately, all of these are a safety risk and mean that the children are at risk during this time. The car park is operational during these hours and we would hate for there to be an accident or for any of the children to be hurt. Therefore, please can I ask that you arrive at the gate as close to 8.30am as possible and keep your children with you and under close supervision.



Also, please may I ask that you do not hold the Nursery gate open for the people behind you. The Nursery Gate is a secure access point so that our staff are able to grant access to those who need it via the buzzer system. When the gate is held open, we are effectively reducing security measures to our site and potentially allowing children access without an adult to supervise them. I thank you for your understanding with this matter.



### Sacrament Reminder – Y3 First Reconciliation

Please keep our Year 3 children in your prayers as they prepare to make their First Reconciliation on Tuesday 25th May. The service will begin at 6.30pm at our Parish Church of St John Fisher. Fr Des has been in to speak with the children today and they are very much looking forward to taking their next step in their Journey of Faith.

A letter will be coming out to all parents outlining further details of the service over the weekend.

### Sport is Back!

We tend to say that the fun never stops at St Gregory's and we have certainly lived up to this this week as Sport has returned! Yesterday, we were lucky enough to host a football and a netball game against our friends at SS Peter & Paul Primary School. The weather held out and we were able to put our sporting ability to the test in our first matches in a very long time. Unfortunately, the results did not go our way but we had a great time nonetheless and came away with smiles on our faces! A huge thank you goes to all of the children who gave up their time to play, Mr Hastings & Mr Sweatman for their organisation and Mrs Waters who stepped in to take netball training to allow Mrs Scullion to coach 😊 A team effort indeed!



### Next week at a glance

Date	Time	Activity
<b>Value and Virtue – Compassionate and Loving</b>		
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	9.30am & 11.30am	Pentecost (Parish Mass at St John Fisher)
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	PM	Year 3 Swimming
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	AM	Good Shepherd Mass
	PM	Reception – One Body One Life
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	6.30pm	Y3 Sacrament of First Reconciliation ~ At St John Fisher Church
	All Day	Y5 Confirmation Retreat Day led by Cardinal Wiseman Staff Catholic Sports
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	AM	Whole School: May Procession
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	3.10pm	<b>Break up for Half Term ~ Return to school on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>
	9.30am & 11.30am	Trinity Sunday (Parish Mass at St John Fisher)

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Scullion

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