



St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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Dear parents, children, staff, and parishioners,



This week began with a wonderful celebration as we watched our Year 3 children receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. The weather was very reflective of our celebration as the sun shone almost as brightly as the smiles of the children! Our Mass was celebrated by Father Des and the children lead the readings beautifully. The Mass ended with a reflective and poignant sacred dance which the children performed gracefully – it was a very fitting end. Our school community would like to offer our congratulations to all of the children who received their First Holy Communion and who have taken the next step on their Journey of Faith.

We keep the following children in our prayers:

Jadesola Precious Max Charlie Mollie
Jack Samantha Ethan Eden Purity Jenise Alicja
Cameron Bobby Mollie Amelia Louie Migel

☆ Roll of Honour ☆

Please refer carefully to the table below, as we have had to make some changes to PE days next week!

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
P.E. Days (come to school dressed in P.E Kits)							
Friday	Tuesday	Tuesday Wednesday	Monday	Tuesday Monday	Tuesday Friday	Tuesday Thursday	Tuesday only!
Attendance: 97.5% 😊 Overall (total attendance for the week for the whole school) Our school target for this year is 97%.							
98.1% 😊	98.3% 😊	98.5% 😊	97% 😊	95.2%	99.2% 😊	97% 😊	97.1% 😊
Class Attendance Winner		Year 4					
House Point Winner		Weekly Winner: Belgrade ~ 193 Points			Overall Winner: Herbert ~ 5500 Points		

Lost Property – Please help us!

The amount of Lost Property mounting up within school is increasing and we are running out of places to store this 😞 One of the issues we have is that lots of the items are nameless – meaning we are struggling to return them to their rightful owner. Please can we ask you to spend some time this weekend ensuring that all of your child's uniform is clearly named. We understand how frustrating it is when items are lost and it makes it easier for us to locate these if they are easily identifiable and clearly named.

Each class has also introduced their own 'Jumper Box' this week, which is a central place in the classroom/playground where children can store their jumpers, cardigans and hoodies when taking them off. If your child leaves school without an item of clothing, please approach their Class Teacher and ask to look in the 'Jumper Box' first, as this is where they are most likely to be. Thank you for your cooperation with this – hopefully by working together, we can get this problem solved as quickly as possible!



May is for Mary

As we begin the month of May, our thoughts and our prayers turn especially to Mary our Mother in this month of dedication. On **Wednesday 18th May**, we held our annual May Procession to pay homage to Our Lady; to think about her in our own lives and our faith. Thank you to all of the children for their kind donations of flowers – it really did help make the celebration that little bit more special. Thank you also to those Parents and Carers who joined us for the celebration. It was a lovely way to honour Mary and remind ourselves of her presence in our lives!

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Assessments

In addition to Year 6 SATs, pupil assessments will be taking place in all other year groups over the next month (no set timetable). Some of these tests are statutory (Year 1 and 2 Phonics Check, Year 4 Multiplication Check) and some tests are carried out by school as part of our Romero Academy Assessment Policy. The assessments will allow teachers to continue to track pupil progress over this school year and plan for the next academic year. Written progress reports for EVERY year group will go out to parents on **Monday 18th July**.



Year 6 Maths Challenge

On 28th April, a group of Year 6 children (William, Ellie, Barry, Akshajan, Nicholas, Harleen and Evie) took part in the Junior Maths Challenge at Cardinal Wiseman, along with children from every Romero school. The JMC is run by the United Kingdom Mathematics Trust and is typically aimed at KS3 students. We are blessed with some very gifted young mathematicians in our school who have been able to demonstrate that they are more than ready to rise to this challenge. All of the children performed exceptionally well and we are incredibly proud of their efforts. Well done Year 6.

Parent/Carer Survey - Your Voice Matters!

Here at Saint Gregory's, we strive to provide a high-quality education in which all our pupils reach their God-given potential; your view is important in providing feedback on how well we are achieving our vision. To this end, we are delighted to share our fifth annual survey to parents/carers across all eight schools within The Romero Catholic Academy. It will close on **Friday 15th July**.

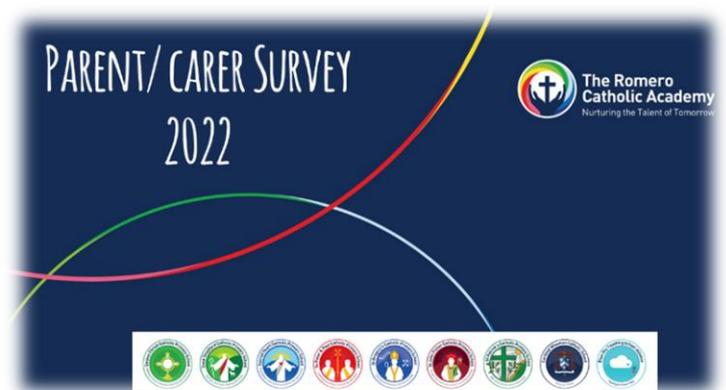
The link can be found here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Romero2022>

Through this survey, we would like to know what you think is working well and what you would like us to improve. We have included a question specifically on the recent Ofsted at Cardinal Wiseman as we are interested in your view in the school now confirmed as 'Good' in all areas. The survey takes approximately 6 minutes to complete and comments are optional.

You can provide your details or you may answer the questionnaire anonymously if you would prefer. As always, if you wish to raise a concern, there is a process to follow and we would appreciate you bringing it directly to the attention of staff at the school so we can resolve the matter in a speedy manner.

We would like to take this opportunity to 'thank you' in advance for completing our survey. As always, the survey will be analysed at school level and across Romero, as the results will be collated and viewed by the Board of Directors. We will share the responses and the key themes emerging in Autumn with a 'You said, we did' update in our newsletter. We will include the FAQs on the website – www.romeromac.com



Year 6 introduce - PANTASTIC!

We are delighted to inform you that our Year 6 children will be performing their End of Year Production at the Albany Theatre this year! They will be performing 'Pantastic' – an adaption of Peter Pan - and be supported by our Year 5 children who will form the ensemble. It will be an amazing experience for all involved and a brilliant way to create some lasting memories of their time at St Gregory's. Their performance will take place on the evening of **Tuesday 5th July** – so please save the date! We are hoping that tickets will be available this week via the Albany Website. This is not one to be missed!

St Gregory's Celebrates!

On **Monday 6th June**, as a school we will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee! We have a special day of activities planned for the children and will be embracing all that this celebration has to offer. A special lunch menu has been set for the day – think traditional fish and chips, and ice cream! We will also be hosting 'St Gregory's got Talent' in the afternoon and ending the day with an afternoon tea, family picnic style! Should you wish to join us, the gates will be open at 1.15pm for 'St Gregory's got Talent' and you can join us for our afternoon tea from 2.30pm. Fingers crossed the sun shines and we can enjoy our festivities outside!



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Who will be Top of the Rocks?

This week, we have launched our 'Top of the Rocks' competition. This will follow the same format as our Spelling Shed Leagues, however, will be focussing on which children can top their class league using times table rockstars instead. All children should have received been reminded of their log in this week, so the battle can now commence. We will then alternate between the Spelling Shed leagues and the Times Table Rockstar Leagues each half term.

Children are still encouraged to spend time on both apps no matter which is the focus of our competition – they are promoting valuable skills after all!



Preparing Your Child to Start School

Rising Four/Five Information (New Nursery and Reception Children 2022)

There will be a meeting for parents of children allocated a place in Nursery and Reception on **Wednesday 29th June at 6:00pm in the school hall**. During this meeting you will meet the staff and have an insight into being a Nursery/Reception child at St Gregory's. We will confirm the starting date in September shortly and a letter and admission pack will be sent to all parents/carers soon. We have invited the school nursing team, along with our care club, uniform examples and samples of food to try from our Romero caterers.

Nursery Places for September 2022

We have a small number of places left in our Nursery for September 2022. As our Nursery is a fairly new venture, many people do not know it exists. It really is a lovely setting for children to learn and grow and we would appreciate it if you would help us spread the word to wider members of our community. If you know of anyone wishing to apply for a place, please advise them to contact admin.sg@romeromac.com or ring the school office. We can't wait to hear from them and welcome them into our school family!



Year 2 Free School Meals

If your child is currently Year 2, their entitlement to Universal free school meals will end at the end of this academic year (July 2022). If you think you are eligible for free school meals, you will need to apply before they finish the school year to ensure you do not need to pay anything in September. You can apply via www.coventry.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals.

Arbor Outstanding Payments

We have a number of educational visits coming up this half term. Please ensure that you have paid for these via your child's Arbor Account. They are as follows:

Friday 27th May – Reception – Ash End Farm
Friday 27th May – Year 2 and Year 6 – Peter Pan at the Belgrade Theatre

Please can we also ask that any **Care Club balances** are settled by the end of this half term. Failure to do so may result in your child no longer being able to attend Care Club. If you are concerned about making a payment, please speak with the office or Mrs Scullion.

We are hiring!

We have a few opportunities available for the right person to join our team. If you, or someone you know, is interested please do visit the web pages using the link below for more information.

Luncheon Supervisor ~ <https://romeromac.com/vacancy/lunchtime-supervisor-st-gregorys-catholic-primary-school/>

Nursery Manager ~ <https://romeromac.com/vacancy/nursery-manager-st-gregorys-catholic-primary-school/>

Teaching Assistant (Part-Time Hours) ~ <https://romeromac.com/vacancy/teaching-assistant-part-time-st-gregorys-catholic-school/>

Sports Apprentice ~ <https://romeromac.com/vacancy/sports-apprentice-st-gregorys-catholic-primary-school/>

Higher Level Teaching Assistant - <https://romeromac.com/vacancy/higher-level-teaching-assistant-st-gregorys-catholic-primary-school/>



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Week at a glance

Date	Time	Activity
Value and Virtue – Grateful and Generous		
Sunday 22 nd May	9.30am & 11.30am	6 th Sunday of Easter
Monday 23 rd May	9am	Mission Assembly
Tuesday 24 th May	All Day	Year 1 Educational Visit – Herbert Art Gallery
Wednesday 25 th May	All Day	Vocations Day
Thursday 26 th May	1:00pm 1:00pm 2:00pm	Reception - Vision Screening Tests Girls Football Tournament Whole School Mass – Feast of the Ascension (Parents and Carers Welcome)
Friday 27 th May	All Day AM 3:15pm	Reception – Ash End Farm Year 2 and Year 6 – Peter Pan at Belgrade Theatre Break up for Half Term 😊
Sunday 29 th May	9.30am & 11.30am	7 th Sunday of Easter

Wishing you a wonderful weekend!

Mrs Scullion
Associate Principal



RED
OPTION

YELLOW
OPTION

BLUE
PURPLE
ORANGE
OPTION

MON

Chicken Burger
with Wedges

Vegetable Burger
with Wedges

Jacket Potato
with
Tuna/Cheese/Beans

TUE

Chicken Curry
with Rice & Naan
Bread

Quorn Sausage &
Mashed Potato

Jacket Potato
with
Tuna/Cheese/Beans

WED

Roast Dinner of
the day

Quorn Fillet Roast
Dinner

Jacket Potato
with
Tuna/Cheese/Beans

THU

Spaghetti
Bolognese with
Garlic Bread

Cheese & Tomato
Pizza with Diced
Potatoes

Jacket Potato
with
Tuna/Cheese/Beans

FRI

Battered Fish & Chips
with Beans or Peas

Vegetable Fingers
& Chips with
Beans or Peas

Jacket Potato
with
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All meals are served with vegetables and
cake or fruit of the day.
Our self-serve salad cart is also on offer which contains
bread, pasta salads/coleslaw and vegetable sticks.

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