



St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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Keeping
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Dear parents, carers, children, staff, and parishioners,



The children have been working especially hard this week as we have had an 'assessment week' in school. The children have enjoyed showcasing all that they have learned so far this year and understand that these assessments are to help their teachers plan future learning so that they can have lessons that challenge not only challenge them, but help them improve too! We have been so impressed with the children's attitudes to their learning this week: their desire to be the best version of themselves has really shone through.

Mother's Day always falls on the Fourth Sunday of Lent which is this weekend. This is also the day we say 'thank you' to our Mothers, those here on earth and those who are in heaven. We ask God to bless our Mothers on this special day and I wish all our St Gregory's Mums a very happy Mother's Day on Sunday!

Lent 2023: Please remember to take the time to look at the Diocesan 'Walk With Me' calendar that the children brought home for ideas. During Lent, we are all asked to pray more, repent, support charities and to give something up or do something extra. The 'Walk with Me' calendar is a good way to spend some time in reflection during Lent and our children have been enjoying checking this each day.



☆ Roll of Honour ☆

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Lois	TBA	Isla	Eesa	Joey	Precious	Skyla	Remy
P.E. Days (come to school dressed in P.E Kits)							
	Monday	Thursday & Friday	Monday & Wednesday	Tuesday & Wednesday	Tuesday & Thursday	Tuesday	Tuesday & Wednesday
Attendance: 95.7% Overall (total attendance for the week for the whole school) Our school target for this year is 97%.							
95.7%	94.3%	97.5% 😊	91.5%	97% 😊	97.7% 😊	93.7%	98.5% 😊
Class Attendance Winner		Year 6					
House Point Winner		Weekly Winner: Herbert ~ 193 Points			Overall Winner: Herbert ~ 3480 Points		



Parent Consultations

On Tuesday and Wednesday, we will be holding an appointment system for all classes for parents to meet with their teacher. Please make sure you make an appointment to see how your child is doing. All appointments will be made through our online system on Arbor and are available to book now. We will be providing face to face consultations, and these will take place for all year groups in the hall. Consultations will last 10 minutes and during this time, staff will be sharing with you how your child is progressing and what their projected standard will be.

Tuesday 21st March – 3.30pm until 6pm Wednesday 22nd March – 3.30pm until 5.30pm

Lent 2023 Cake Sales

During Lent we will be having a number of cake sales to raise money for our Lenten charities. Each week, there will be 2 year groups in charge of organising and running the Cake Sale. If your child is in these year groups, we would appreciate your support by donating cakes for the children to sell. On cake sale days, children can bring in money to purchase cakes (30p/50p in price). Don't forget! All cakes will be sold during break time and any left after school each Tuesday during Lent. Lent is a time for Almsgiving – raising money to give to charity – the cake sales are a one-off the four weeks we run this.

Dates are as follows:

Tuesday 21st March – Year 3 and Nursery



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Mousike Ensemble – Healthy Me, Healthy Mind!

As part of the music curriculum the children in Year 2 and Year 5 will be taking part in a big music event. This is taking part towards the end of this half term, but the children are beginning the practice now – learning songs that are linked to our PSHE curriculum and learning their instrument parts. The children will also be learning a 'school showcase', but this is top secret at this stage! The children will be joining with 200 other children from across our Catholic Schools to perform and celebrate their learning.



Lent Dates

Lent 2023	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week beginning 20 th March	<p>Mission Assembly</p> <p>KS1 Mousike Ensemble Performance</p> <p>Year 4 Stations of the Cross at St John Fisher Church</p>	<p>Staff Lenten Prayer Time</p> <p>Year 3 and Nursery to bring in cakes for their Cake Sale (breaktime/after school)</p> <p>Whole School Liturgy 'Joy, Rejoice, Happiness'</p> <p>Reconciliation Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6</p> <p>Parent Consultations 3:30pm – 7:30pm</p>	<p>Parent Consultations 3:30pm – 7:30pm</p>	<p>Reception Mother's Day Mass 10am</p> <p>Gift Team Prayer Time (Lunch)</p>	<p>Celebration Assembly 9am</p> <p>Year 5 Social Action Project Hospital Visit</p> <p>Parent Prayer Time 2:45pm</p>
Week beginning 27 th March	<p>KS2 Achievement Awards 9am</p>	<p>Staff Lenten Prayer Time</p> <p>Whole School Liturgy 'Reconciliation, Forgiveness, Returning to God'</p>	<p>EYFS Achievement Awards 9am</p> <p>Year 3 and 4 Holy Week Reflection 6pm at Cardinal Wiseman</p>	<p>KS1 Achievement Awards 9am</p> <p>Gift Team Prayer Time (Lunch)</p>	<p>Whole School Mass Holy Week 9.15am</p> <p>Parents Welcome</p>

Parent Prayer Times

We apologise that our 1st Parent Prayer time was cancelled due to the snow. However, our 2nd Parent Prayer time will be on Friday 24th March for the children in **all year groups**. These sessions will begin at **2.45pm** in your children's classrooms. We do hope you will be able to join us and support your children on their journey of faith over Lent.



Science Week

Next week we will be celebrating Science Week! The aim of Science Week is to motivate people of all ages to engage with science at home and in the classroom and our theme this year is 'making connections'. From class challenges to awe and wonder experiments the children will be fully submerged in science. We will be also holding our very own Gadget shop, which will enable children to carry on their enthusiasm for science at home but also will raise funds to help enhance our science curriculum at school.

Easter Eggs Donations Welcome

As part of their Social Action Project, Year 5 are collecting Easter Eggs to donate to the children in the Children's Ward at University Hospital. They will be delivering these to the hospital next week. If you would like to make a donation, please send an Easter Egg in with your child and they can hand it to Miss Stirling in Year 5.

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What does it mean to be a Romero Child?

Here at St Gregory's, we pride ourselves on the experiences we provide for our children, whether that be spiritually, academically or socially. The premise is simple: by providing our students with a vast range of experiences that are deeply rooted in faith which allow them chance to explore the world around them in all its

wonder, we prepare our children to be all that God intended them to be and assist them in maximising their contribution to the wider world. In order to exemplify the way in which we hope to do this, we follow a Romero Academy initiative known as the 'Romero Child'. The Romero child is our 'Character Education' offer and aims to help children develop through 6 strands.

Romero Reflects **Romero Serves** **Romero Aspires** **Romero Experiences** **Romero Thrives** **Romero Shines**

The experiences provided within each of the strands is adapted according to the age of each child. It is through these experiences provided through the Romero Child Charter that we hope to shape who the children grow up to be, assist them in answering God's call and help them to develop their own talents and reach their God-Given Potential. A further insight into the more specific details of the Romero Child will be communicated with you before Easter, however, we felt it was important during this time that you were aware of this initiative and know how it supports your child.

If you wish to know more about the Charter at this point in time, please use the link to read the brochure available on our website: [Romero Child Brochure](#)

Year 3 and 4 Holy Week Reflection

Year 3 and 4 are currently busy behind the scenes preparing themselves to deliver a very special performance. The children in these Year Groups are working to perform a special reflective performance to retell Jesus' last moments on earth entitled: Surrender All. This performance will take place on Wednesday 29th March at 6pm. In order to make this experience a special one, and to give it the recognition it deserves, we have booked the Cardinal Wiseman Theatre so that the children are able to perform their reflection on a real life stage with working tech including lighting and sound systems. Children will be transported to the theatre from school in order to complete a tech rehearsal and will remain there until their reflection at 6pm. Parents, families and other children are then invited to come a witness their reflection at 6pm. If your child is unable to attend, please send a letter direct to Mrs Scullion or via email at admin.sg@romeormac.com.



Sports News!

We have two very special sporting events taking place next week that we are super excited for!

Firstly, on Tuesday, our mixed rowing team have qualified for the County Finals and will be representing Coventry East (and St Gregory's of course!). We wish Fremah, Lyla, Godwin and Bethany the best of luck and sure they will wow us all again with their sporting talent!

Secondly, we have another county final to attend! Our Indoor Athletics Team have qualified for the County Final and will be competing in Solihull on Wednesday. They have trained hard for their events which include both track and field, and enjoyed the opportunity to practice at the AT7 centre on Thursday ahead of the event. We wish those children partaking in the event lots of luck and wish them well!



I am sure you can appreciate that qualifying for a County Final is no mean feat, and we are so proud to have not one, but two of our teams competing next week and representing Coventry East at these School Games Competition. We hope that the children enjoy these experiences and use them as an opportunity to develop their skills, showcase their values and embrace the nature of competitive sport!

Reading Legends!

Each fortnight, we will now be congratulating our Reading Legends! Teachers will be nominating a child that has made a huge effort to read at home or who has displayed a love of reading! These children will then be rewarded with a token that they can use in our new Vending Machine 😊 The book they choose will then be theirs to keep! A huge well done to those selected today – it is lovely to see them sharing their books with their peers already!



Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Molly	Michael	Victoria	Arina

Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Anya	Kyle	Bryan

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Week at a glance

Date	Time	Activity
Value and Virtue – Intentional and Prophetic		
Sunday 19 th March	9.30am & 11.30am	Fourth Sunday of Lent (Parish Mass) Mother's Day
Monday 20 th March	All Week 9.00am 9.30am 1.30pm	Science Week Mission Assembly Y2 Mousike Ensemble at Sacred Heart Y4 Stations of the cross at St John Fisher Church
Tuesday 21 st March	9.00am Break time 11.00am 1.15pm 3.30pm – 6pm	Y4 & Y5 Cricket Lessons Year 3 and Nursery Cake Sale Y4, Y5 & Y6 Reconciliation Rock Steady Lessons Parent Consultations
Wednesday 22 nd March	9.00am 2.15pm 3.30pm - 5.30pm	Sportshall Athletics Final SEND Coffee Afternoon Parent Consultations
Thursday 23 rd March	9.00am 10.00am	Year 2 Visit to Berkswell Reception Mother's Day Mass
Friday 24 th March	9.00am 11.00am 2.45pm	Celebration Assembly Y5 Visit to the Hospital Parent Prayer Time
Sunday 26 th March	9.30am & 11.30am	Fifth Sunday of Lent (Parish Mass)

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Megan Scullion

Mrs Scullion
Associate Principal



Wednesday 22nd March at 2.15pm

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ST GREGORY'S
Spring 2
P.E.

RECEPTION
Dance
MONDAY



YEAR 1
Gymnastics & Healthy Lifestyles
THURSDAY & FRIDAY



YEAR 3
Cricket & Cross Country
TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY



YEAR 2
Tri Golf & Dance
MONDAY & WEDNESDAY



YEAR 4
Cricket & Athletics
TUESDAY & THURSDAY



YEAR 5
Cricket & Healthy Lifestyles
TUESDAY



YEAR 6
Cycling & NFL Flag
TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY





Please send your child in wearing their PE kit in on their PE days.

Scan one of the QR codes above to see your child's PE Padlet page. Here you can see photos/videos of their learning, their sporting achievements & their skills/values learning journeys.

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St Gregory's Extra Curricular Clubs Spring 2

Monday

FITNESS - REC, YEAR 1, 2 & 3
DANCE - REC, YEAR 1, 2, 3 &
4

Tuesday

BOYS' AND GIRLS' FOOTBALL
YEARS 4, 5 & 6

Wednesday

BREAKFAST INDOOR FOOTBALL
YEARS 4, 5 & 6
FOOTBALL - REC, YEARS 1, 2 & 3

Thursday

BOARD GAMES - REC, YEARS 1,
2 & 3
MINECRAFT CODING - YEARS 4, 5 & 6

Friday

Booking ...

BOOKING AVAILABLE
VIA ARBOR IN THE 'CLUBS' SECTION
OF YOUR CHILD'S ACCOUNT



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RED OPTION

YELLOW OPTION

BLUE PURPLE ORANGE OPTION

	RED OPTION	YELLOW OPTION	BLUE PURPLE ORANGE OPTION
MON	Pork Sausage with Mashed Potato	Quorn Sausage with Mashed Potato	Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans
TUE	Chicken Burger with Potato Wedges	Quorn Beef Style Burger with Potato Wedges	Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans
WED	Chicken Roast Dinner	Quorn Roast Dinner	Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans
THU	Pasta Bolognaise & Garlic Bread	Macaroni Cheese & Garlic Bread	Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans
FRI	Battered Fish & Chips	Cheese & Tomato Pizza & Chips	Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans

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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