



St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

Part of The Romero Catholic Academy

Issue 22:
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March 2023



Keeping
a Holy Lent

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



'Serve with your whole heart, as if serving the Lord not people'

During Lent, we have once again launched our **St Gregory's Serves** project and it has been lovely to see the children really throwing themselves into this in order to make a difference in our community. Social action is always important, but especially so during the Season of Lent when we are trying to bring ourselves closer to God and closer to others. The activity each Year Group has committed to, aims to ensure that a variety of people in our community were in receipt of our help. And we have worked to ensure that help comes in all different forms: whether that be lending a hand; sharing a smile or providing company – the children have learned that serving others, in whatever form, is one of the most rewarding things we as God's stewards on Earth can do.

EYFS: Planting Sunflowers for the Local Community

Year 1: Prayer Cards for People of the Parish

Year 2: Making Birdfeeders to help the local environment

Year 3: Share a Story with Nursery

Year 4: Collecting unwanted Clothes to support the local Clothing Bank

Year 5: Donating Easter Eggs to children at UHCW

Year 6: Providing afternoon tea to the People of the Parish

Overall, it is set to be a very successful project once again, and we are so happy that, not only are we able to make a difference, but that we are able to help the children understand the joy that is brought into our own hearts when we help others and that they might carry a little bit of this joy forward with them for years to come.

☆ Roll of Honour ☆

| Nursery | Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|---------------------|
| Gabriel | Ariana & Benjamin | Esther | Mirabelle | Anvi | Purity | Esmee | Lyla |
| P.E. Days (come to school dressed in P.E Kits) | | | | | | | |
| | Monday | Thursday & Friday | Monday & Wednesday | Tuesday & Wednesday | Tuesday & Thursday | Tuesday | Tuesday & Wednesday |
| Attendance: 94.6% Overall (total attendance for the week for the whole school) Our school target for this year is 97%. | | | | | | | |
| 88.8% | 88.9% | 95.7% | 95.4% | 91.4% | 99.6% 😊 | 98% 😊 | 96.9% |
| Class Attendance Winner | | Year 4 | | | | | |
| House Point Winner | | Weekly Winner: Trinity ~ 127 Points | | | Overall Winner: Trinity ~ 3555 Points | | |



Reception Mother's Day Mass

On Thursday, our Reception children led their first Mass. It was a very special Mass as they had invited their families to join them in order to celebrate the special occasion of Mother's Day. Reception were joined by their Year 6 prayer buddies and led the singing, contributed to the readings and even produced a special piece of artwork that represents somebody they love. It really was a beautiful occasion and one I am sure those in attendance will remember for a long while. Well done Reception – it really was a beautiful celebration of Mass.



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MEET the TEACHER

Parent Consultations

A huge thank you to all of our Parents and Carers that joined us for our consultations this week. We really do value your time and support. I hope the information you received was useful and that it allowed you an insight into your child's progress, learning and general behavioural attitudes. I cannot believe we only have 5 school days left until our Easter Holidays – *time flies when you are having fun!*

Lent 2023 Cake Sales

- 1) Year 6/Rec made £48.85
- 2) Year 1/Year 5 made £47
- 3) Year 2/Year 4 made £122.33
- 4) Year N/Year 3 made £26.48

Thank you for all your generosity.
The total amount raised was **£269.87**



Thank You!

Summer Uniform

After the Easter Holidays, children are welcome to wear summer uniform if they wish. This means that in all year groups, boys may wear **grey tailored shorts** instead of trousers and girls may choose to wear **blue gingham summer dresses**. In addition, children may choose to wear a **sky blue polo shirt** instead of a shirt and tie. Please can all children ensure that they come to school in the correct PE kit of hoodie, blue shorts, sky blue t-shirt and trainers, on their PE days, so that they can access the PE curriculum.

Shoes – please can I ask for children to ensure that they have school shoes for the summer term.



Earrings

Please can I remind you that the **only** earrings allowed in our uniform policy are **plain gold studs**. Please see the picture for clarification.

Lent Dates

| Lent 2023 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| Week beginning 27 th March | KS2 Achievement Awards 2.30pm | Staff Lenten Prayer Time Whole School Liturgy 'Reconciliation, Forgiveness, Returning to God' | EYFS Achievement Awards 9am Year 3 and 4 Holy Week Reflection 6pm at Cardinal Wiseman | KS1 Achievement Awards 9am Gift Team Prayer Time (Lunch) | Whole School Mass Holy Week 9.15am Parents Welcome |



Year 2 Mousique Ensemble

On Monday morning, Year 2 performed as part of Mousique Ensemble at Sacred Heart Primary School. After practicing for weeks, the children from across the academy came together to sing songs related to the theme, 'Healthy Me.' They dressed to the occasion by making their own hats and they performed a wonderful showcase as they sang 'Count on Me.' Overall, they had brilliant morning full of singing, dancing and creating lasting memories.

Year 5 will be taking part in the Key Stage Two Mousique Ensemble on Monday at St John Vianney Primary School!

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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.

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](#)

Sports News!

We had two very special sporting events taking place this week!

Firstly, on Tuesday, our mixed rowing team competed at the County Finals and represented Coventry East (and St Gregory's of course!) They put in a HUGE performance and finished as Bronze Medallists! Well done Bethany, Fremah, Lyla and Godwin – what an achievement!

Secondly, we had another county final to attend! Our Indoor Athletics Team qualified for the County Final and competed in Solihull on Wednesday. They had trained hard for their events, which included Track and Field events. Upon arrival to the competition, the children could sense that the display of talent was going to be high! There were a few nerves, however, each child gave it their all as they knew their event contributed to our overall team score. The children performed exceptionally well, displayed such wonderful sporting values and showcased such brilliant sporting skill. We were absolutely thrilled when the results were announced and we were declared as Bronze Medallists! Amazing stuff Team St Greg's!

My words last week were '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.' However, to have not one, but two Bronze Medals is an amazing achievement and it has been such a privilege to nurture the sporting talent and skill of the children involved, work with them at a competitive level and see them perform so well!



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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 and 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.



Easter Celebration Day

On **Monday 17th April**, we return to school and celebrate Easter during the Easter season. **The children can come in non-uniform and there will be no charge for this.** The children will take part in a range of activities e.g. making Easter cards and every child will be given a Cadburys creme egg with their name on. The catch is the children have to find their egg in a hunt on the playground and can only eat the one with their name on! Staff will have to hunt for their own egg also. We will be coming together as a whole school during our Easter Celebration Mission at 9am with all staff and pupils and welcome parents to join us.

The children have also asked for the Easter Bonnet Parade to return, so on **Monday 17th April** we will be holding our **Easter bonnet parade at 2.40pm** for children in **Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2**. Children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will need to make their Easter bonnets over the Easter Holidays at home – we are looking for creative and unique creations. Each class will be judged and awarded prizes throughout the morning. Parents are welcome to attend the bonnet parade.

Year 3/Year 4/Year 5/Year 6 will be taking part in our annual competition ... This year we would love for you to create an Easter Garden. These can be as simple or as creative as you like, however should celebrate the Easter Story of Jesus' Resurrection. These can be brought in on Monday 17th April and placed in the hall. Please ensure your child's name is marked clearly on them. Thank you.



Nursery Maths Fun!

The children in Nursery were embracing World Maths day on Thursday! They enjoyed a series of Mathematical themed activities and amazed us all with their Pattern Spotting! Great work Nursery!



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Week at a glance

| Date | Time | Activity |
|---|----------------------------|---|
| Value and Virtue – Intentional and Prophetic | | |
| Sunday 26 th March | 9.30am & 11.30am | Fifth Sunday of Lent (Parish Mass) |
| Monday 27 th March | 9.30am 2.30pm | Year 5 Mousike Ensemble at St John Vianney Year 4, 5 and 6 Achievement Awards |
| Tuesday 28 th March | All Day 1.15pm | Year 1 Visit to Warwick Castle Rock Steady Lessons |
| Wednesday 29 th March | 9.00am All Day 6pm | Reception and Nursery Achievement Awards Year 3 and 4 Tech Rehearsal at Cardinal Wiseman for 'Surrender All' Year 3 and 4 Holy Week Reflection: Surrender All at Cardinal Wiseman |
| Thursday 30 th March | 9.00am AM PM | Year 1, 2 and 3 Achievement Awards Year 6 Group 1 Takeover Day Year 3 and 4 Football Tournament |
| Friday 31 st March | 9:15am 2.30pm 3.15pm | Mass of Holy Week Rock Steady Concert Break Up for Easter Break |
| Sunday 2 nd April | 9.30am & 11.30am | Palm Sunday (Parish Mass) |

We break up from school on Friday 31st March 2023

for the Easter Holidays for two weeks.

We return back to school for the

Summer Term on Monday 17th April 2023

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Megan Scullion

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ST GREGORY'S
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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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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 Bolognese & 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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