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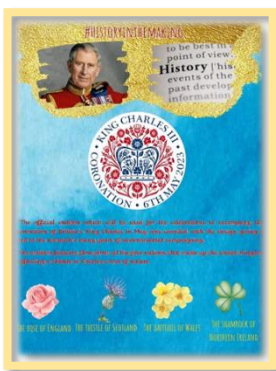
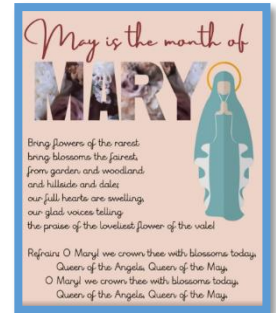
Dear parents, children, staff, and parishioners,

Ave Maria

In May of 2002 Pope John Paul II said, "Today we begin the month dedicated to Our Lady a favourite of popular devotion. In accord with a long-standing tradition of devotion, parishes and families continue to make the month of May a 'Marian' month, celebrating it with many devout liturgical, catechetical and pastoral initiatives!" In our observance of the Marian month we note that the season of the Liturgical Year aligns with the fifty days of Easter.

This is a good time to focus our prayer and liturgy on Our Lady's participation in the Paschal mystery and in Pentecost with which the Church begins.

The Regina Coeli May procession Rosary Litany of Loretto



Coronation Celebration Day

What a day we have had to celebrate the impending Coronation of King Charles III. The children (and staff!) looked brilliant in their red, white and blue attire! We even also had some royal dress – with some children choosing to wear crowns, princess dresses and royal regalia! The children have had a wonderful experience in the 'wonderdome'. Learning all about King Charles' passion for conservation and sustainability of our world and beyond!

Back in the classroom the children were also completing lots of activities linked to King Charles in order to develop their knowledge of King Charles III.

We also had our 'Great British Bake Off' Competition – and were amazed by the creations that came into school today! We hope the children enjoy sharing their creations with their families this weekend.

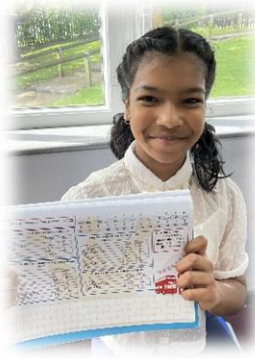
Congratulations to Maddison, Ikem and Oliseka who were our worthy winners!

Finally, we ended the day with a visit from the ice cream van! The children enjoyed a treat to mark the occasion and raised their ice cream treats to King Charles III!

What a wonderful day we have had at St Gregory's! God save the King!



We've had a wonderful day!



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☆ Roll of Honour ☆

Congratulations to all of the children who received an award in last Friday's Celebration Assembly – we didn't have a newsletter last week, so we are celebrating you all today!

Keep up the hard work – you should be very proud of yourselves!

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Elias-John	Abidan	Charlie	Mason	Maisie	Samantha	Keelan-Jack	Breaha
P.E. Days (come to school dressed in P.E Kits)							
n/a	Wednesday Friday	Tuesday Thursday	Tuesday Thursday	Wednesday Thursday	Wednesday Thursday	Wednesday Thursday	Tuesday Wednesday
Attendance: 93.5% Overall (total attendance for the week for the whole school) Our school target for this year is 97%.							
95.6%	81.1%	96.2%	96.6%	96.6%	91.8% 😊	97.4%	93.3%
Class Attendance Winner		Year 5					
House Point Winner		Weekly Winner: Herbert ~ 87 Points			Overall Winner: Trinity ~ 4123 Points		



SATS tests

We wish our Year 6 children lots of good luck as they undertake their Statutory Attainment Tests (SATS) over the next week in Reading, Grammar, Punctuation, Spelling and Mathematics. The children are all invited into school for breakfast from 8.00am (Tuesday - Friday) to help settle their nerves and give them a hearty start to the day ahead. I hope the children have all managed to read the letter that myself and Miss Downing have written to you all today – we meant every word! You really are amazing and we are SO proud of you! 😊

Good luck children – you have all worked so hard, with such positive attitudes and I know that you will shine!

Please can I remind ALL Year 6 parents that children must attend school for the whole week and must not be absent, have any appointments or be away on holiday.

Special Intention Prayer Time

This week, as a school, we held a 'Special Intention' liturgy in each class. We hold these when we have something in particular we wish to pray for as a school community. This time, our special liturgy was dedicated to the children in Year 6. We all prayed for God to watch over them as they prepare to undertake their tests next week. Each child was then given the name of a child in Year 6 to pray for and has made them something special to open ahead of their tests next week to show that they are thinking of them. It was a lovely example of how, although each prayer time took place in individual classrooms and we were not together physically, that we were in fact united by faith and our togetherness was confirmed by the joining of our prayers.



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 **Thursday 25th May**, we will be holding our annual 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. Year 3 will help lead us in our May Procession; we hope to have the assembly outside (weather permitting). Parents are welcome to attend. Please can I ask for all children to bring in small **plants/shrubs/bulbs** so on the day we can adorn the shrine of Our Lady, but then, after the procession, our Eco Team will plant the flowers/plants/bulbs across our school site, so that every spring our school will be FULL of flowers, a much more sustainable approach. Thank you.

Nursery Places for September 2022

We have a small number of places left in our Nursery for September 2023. 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!

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St Gregory's Got Talent!

Much to the children's delight, St Gregory's Got Talent will be returning this year! Children from Reception – Year 6 will be able to sign up from Tuesday to audition in front of their teachers and friends. 2 acts from each year group will then make it through to the final show which will be held at 6pm on Wednesday 24th May. We can't wait to see what the acts have in store for us this year!

Football Festival

Yesterday afternoon, some of our footballers had a fantastic experience, playing in a football festival at the CBS Arena. This was a great opportunity for the children involved and they loved playing on the pitch, where so many famous players have stood! Thank you to Sky Blues in the Community for inviting us to participate in the event!



Reminder: School will be closed on Monday 8th May (Bank holiday)

Week at a glance

Date	Time	Activity
Value and Virtue – Learned and Wise		
Sunday 7 th May	9.30am & 11.30am	5 th Sunday of Easter
Monday 8 th May	All day	Bank Holiday ~ School Closed
Tuesday 9 th May	All week 8:00am 1:15pm	Year 6 ~ SATS Year 6 Early Morning Breakfast – Year 6 Classroom Rock Steady Lessons
Wednesday 10 th May	8:00am PM	Year 6 Early Morning Breakfast – Year 6 Classroom Archery Competition at Alan Higgs Centre
Thursday 11 th May	8:00am Lunchtime	Year 6 Early Morning Breakfast – Year 6 Classroom Gift Team leading Rosary Club
Friday 12 th May	8am	Year 6 Early Morning Breakfast – Year 6 Classroom
Sunday 14 th May	9.30am & 11.30am	6 th Sunday of Easter

Have a lovely long weekend! Thank you for your continued support!

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