



# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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Dear parents, children, staff, and parishioners,

As another half term comes to an end, it presents us with the perfect opportunity to look back upon all of the opportunities offered and reflect upon the achievements that have occurred as a result of these opportunities. It has once again been a busy term, but it has been lovely to witness the work of our children and hear the fun they are having within school. For me, there have been many highlights, but the following stand out for each of year groups as memorable moments this half term. Each of these has played a small part in creating a moment that will become a memory during the children's time here at St Gregory's and has assisted the children in their development in some way, whether that be growing spiritually; succeeding academically or flourishing in their personality. This half term's memorable moments are as follows:



**Nursery** continue to amaze us! They are our youngest children but still achieve so much. They have been enjoying reading 'Jasper's Beanstalk' this half term and have enjoyed the creative opportunities that this unit of work has brought them. They have also been fantastic scientists and have studied the life cycles – they have loved having tadpoles in their environment!

**Reception** have enjoyed spending time in their outdoor area. They have lots to help them with their personal development ... balance bikes, climbing frames, water and sand play – just to name a few! It has been a joy watching the children progress in this way!



**Year 1** took to the road as our PSHE lessons were a focus for the big screen! In a bid to teach the children all about road safety, we enlisted the help of the team at Young Drivers who transformed our playground into a road complete with electric cars! The children then had the opportunity to drive the vehicles and learn about road signs, how electric vehicles can help the environment, as well as gaining an experience as a driver! This will air on BBC's The One Show soon!



**Year 2** have had some wonderful learning experiences this half term. They especially enjoyed celebrating the King's Coronation as they made flags, learned about the history of King Charles and explored the importance of the monarchy! They joined in with the whole school celebrations too – wearing red, white and blue and enjoying ice cream in the sun!



**Year 3** took an important step in their Journey of Faith and received the Sacrament of Holy Communion this half term. A beautiful mass was held to celebrate this special occasion and the children performed a poignant Sacred Dance to remind the congregation of their newly strengthened relationship with Jesus

**Year 4** went on their first residential and had a wonderful visit to Conkers. They threw themselves into the challenges and their teamwork and communication skills were strengthened. The children relished in the opportunity to take on something new and shine brightly in a different setting!



**Year 5** have taken active learning to new heights – throwing themselves into the Victorian Era by making their own versions of Victorian games and preparing and cooking the Victorian delicacy that is the 'Pasty'! It has been lovely to see them embrace their inner historians!

**Year 6** have had one of the hardest half terms as they have completed their SATs tests. They worked tirelessly each day to showcase the knowledge they have acquired in recent years and made us all so proud. They are now embracing 'West End Life' as rehearsals are well underway for their end of year production of 'Aladdin Trouble' which will be performed at the Albany Theatre on the 4<sup>th</sup> July – what an opportunity!



We look forward to seeing what the last half term of this academic year will bring when we return to school on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June!**

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## ☆ Roll of Honour ☆

A huge thank you to Year 4 for their Class Assembly this morning about 'Romero Experiences' – it was lovely to hear how these opportunities have shaped you as people! Congratulations to all of our Stars of the Week!

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Leo	Tinashe	Dylan	Ollie	Maddison	Jake	Tofunmi	Jack
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: 92.6% Overall (total attendance for the week for the whole school) Our school target for this year is 97%.							
97% 😊	84.9%	89.2%	93.1%	94.4%	91.1%	94.4%	97.4% 😊
Class Attendance Winner		Year 6					
House Point Winner		Weekly Winner: Trinity ~ 124 Points			Overall Winner: Trinity ~ 4538 Points		



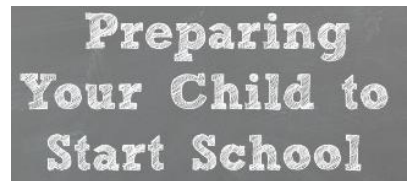
## Holiday Requests

Please may I remind you that our school policy makes it clear that we **do not** authorise term time holidays. Can I encourage you to plan any holidays around school breaks and **not** to take children out of school during term time. Every day that your child attends school is very important. Please remember if you proceed with an unauthorised holiday, the Local Authority may be informed and issue a Penalty Notice. This is currently £60 per parent per child, to be paid within 21 days (the fine doubles to £120 per parent per child after 21 days).

We do hope that you will continue to work in partnership with us.

## Rising Four/Five Information (New Nursery and Reception Children 2023)

There will be a meeting for parents of children allocated a place in Nursery and Reception on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> 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.



## St Gregory's Got Talent!

What an evening had on Wednesday for our Second Annual St Gregory' Got Talent!

From martial arts to gymnastics, from hula hooping to drumming, from musicians to comedians! We really had it all

Thank you to all of the children who performed in the show - it was a joy to see you share your talents with others! You really were incredible!

Thank you to the school council who helped organise the event! We couldn't have done it without you!

And a HUGE, thank you to our wonderful audience! Your support was greatly appreciated - thank you so much!

Overall, we raised **£204**. This will go towards purchasing costumes for our End of Year Production later in the year!



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## Year 3 Sacrament of First Holy Communion]

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:

Harry B

Olivia B

Lifa

Sebastian

Maddison

Gabriella

Gabriel

Ella Mae

Harry M

Ikem Oma

Maisie

Brajan

Ethan

## Takeover Day – Group 2

Yesterday, a group of our Year 6 children experienced the world of work! They were paired up with a staff member from St Gregory's and shadowed them for the morning. The jobs ranged from Teaching Assistant to Catering Manager, from Teacher to Principal and we couldn't be prouder of the children! They threw themselves into the tasks ahead of them and quickly learnt that needing to be adaptable is essential when working at St Gregory's! Thank you to all of the children who participated – you were absolutely brilliant and the staff have spoken so highly of you! We hope you enjoyed your day 😊

*Principal Remy said: I had a great morning. Mrs Scullion showed great kindness and was lots of fun. She makes sure that everything in the school is going smoothly. She is a great role model and a great person to look up to. If you shadow her for the morning expect a fun and jam packed morning! She is very kind to the kids and will sort out any problems. I had to teach year 2 and help with all of the displays and make sure the school is in safe hands. I had a great time being Mr Remy and I like that you get to take on great responsibility! It is a great experience. Thank you for all your hard work!*

It was a pleasure having you Principal Remy – it certainly was a busy morning! 😊



## Matters Arising

If you have a concern about your child, please book an appointment to discuss with **your child's class teacher** by either phoning or emailing the Office to make an appointment. In the first instance – the class teacher is the first port of call. If an issue arises and it is not resolved, the next step is to see the **Leader of Learning**. If a matter is then not resolved – an appointment can be made with a member of the **Senior Leadership team** – Assistant Principal (Miss Downing), Associate Principal (Mrs Scullion) or Executive Principal (Mrs Williams).

*Please note, our Leaders of Learning manage the phases within school. These are listed below:*

<b>Leaders of Learning</b>	<b>Nursery, Reception</b> Miss Mullen	<b>Year 1, Year 2 &amp; Year 3</b> Mrs Webb	<b>Year 4, Year 5 &amp; Year 6</b> Mrs McCormick
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This is the procedure, and all staff will direct parents through these steps as they have been found as the most efficient way to resolve concerns. Leaders of Learning have the responsibility to lead their 'mini-school' and they work hard to make their phase the very best it can be.

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## Happy Half Term!

Please let me take this opportunity to wish you all a relaxing and safe half term with your families. Hopefully the sun makes an appearance so that we are able to make the most of some 'down time' from school. I also would like to extend a huge thank you to all staff at St Gregory's – this half term has been full of highs and many memories have been made for and with the children. I know that all of these things require many people to go 'over and above' and this is very much noted and appreciated.

So whatever your plans, have a lovely half term break. We look forward to seeing you on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June** for some Summer fun!

### Week at a glance

Date	Time	Activity
<b>Value and Virtue – Curious and Active</b>		
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	9.30am & 11.30am	Holy Trinity
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	9am	Mission Assembly
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Morning 1:15pm 1:30pm	Y1 Young Drivers Experience Y3 Tennis Tournament Rock Steady Lessons Y6 Resilience Workshop
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	All day	Y3 Visit to Cadbury World
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	9am 1.00pm	Celebration Assembly Girls Football Tournament
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	9.30am & 11.30am	Parish Mass at Saint John Fisher Catholic Church

Have a wonderful weekend!

Here's hoping that whilst the Sky is Blue, we'll never lose! Good Luck Coventry City!

**Play Up Sky Blues!**

Megan Scullion

Mrs Scullion, Associate Principal



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## SCHOOL NURSING NEWSLETTER



Supporting children, young people & families

### Primary Schools



### Parent Information Sessions

The School Nursing team are continuing to offer free online Parent Information Sessions for the following areas of concern; toileting, sleep, eating, behaviour & anxiety.

To book a session, please scan the QR codes on the right, using the camera function on your mobile phone/device. Not all phones/devices are compatible with this feature so you can follow the links instead (also provided).

New dates are added regularly so please keep checking for available sessions!

#### Understanding Anxiety Session



[https://forms.office.com/r/EJEpY\\_uFMwF](https://forms.office.com/r/EJEpY_uFMwF)

#### Challenges in Behaviour Session



[https://forms.office.com/r/nzcp\\_mvncsU](https://forms.office.com/r/nzcp_mvncsU)

#### Toileting Session



[https://forms.office.com/r/TeGkv\\_c23FV](https://forms.office.com/r/TeGkv_c23FV)

#### Challenges in Eating Session



[https://forms.office.com/r/mHcB\\_LCW5JT](https://forms.office.com/r/mHcB_LCW5JT)

If you need any further assistance please contact us (see our contact details in the footer)

#### Useful Resources

Don't forget to check out the links throughout this newsletter for more information and support! Please see more resources below/on page 6 which may be of help to you, your families and/or school:

#### Does your child have a hidden disability?

Parents can apply for a sunflower lanyard for children with a hidden disability. Some cafes/attractions/restaurants etc. recognise the sunflower and offer support, this could include priority access etc.

Click here/visit site to order one: <https://hiddendisabilitiesstore.com/uk/>

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