



# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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Dear parents, children, staff and parishioners,

It has been a busy week here at St Gregory's with the children (and staff!) settling down into their new routines and enjoying their new learning. This week alone we have achieved the following: we held a lovely mission assembly exploring the Gospel Value of Forgiveness; we opened up our school to our Parents and Carers as part of our curriculum evening and had a great focus on Maths and Reading; we held our Pupil Leadership week in which children have been applying to take on a lead role within school; and, if that wasn't enough, we celebrated another week of successful learning during our Celebration Assembly today. All in all, it may have been a busy week – but it has also been a successful one. We are immensely proud of how the children have been working since being back at school, but I would also like to say how proud I am of all the staff at St Gregory's who have worked hard to ensure that the school not only looks like an amazing place to learn but for also making it feel like an amazing place to learn. Team St Greg's is well and truly back and we now can't wait to see what the future has in store 😊

## ☆ Star of the Week ☆

Our Celebration Assembly was full of joy this week as we were told of all of the children's fabulous achievements. Congratulations to all of our Stars of the Week!

the Week:

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
n/a	n/a	Advik	TBC	Daniel	Gabriel	Louie	Kyle
P.E. Days (come to school dressed in P.E Kits)							
n/a	Thursday	Tuesday & Thursday	Wednesday	Wednesday & Thursday	Friday	Tuesday & Friday	Wednesday & Thursday
House Point Winner		Weekly Winner: Belgrade ~ 129 Points			Overall Winner: Belgrade ~ 268 Points		
Gifts & Talents		Mille, Maisie and Savannah shared how successful they had been during their Irish Dancing Competition at the weekend. The girls had a haul of trophies and medals to show us and were thrilled to explain the workings of the competition! Well done – a great achievement!					

## Safeguarding Children – our annual statement

In the interest of safeguarding children there may be occasions when the school must consult with other agencies without a parent's prior knowledge. The school's first concern is the child's welfare; as a school we have a duty to protect the child at all times. Such consultation may result in a formal referral which could prompt visits from social services and/or the police. We fully understand that this can be a very distressing set of circumstances, but we can only assure you that we follow the procedures laid down by the Coventry Safeguarding Board, a copy of which is available, as is a copy of our own policy. Our Safeguarding Policy is available to view on our school website. Our Pastoral Team is made up of myself, Mrs Priest and Mrs Sweatman, and we are always on hand to support all our families.



## St Gregory's Curriculum Evening ~ Thank You!

Thank you to the Parents and Carers who were able to attend our Curriculum Evening on Tuesday and Wednesday evening. It was a joy to share what makes our school special and provide you with some much-needed information for the year ahead. We also enjoyed sharing how you can support your child with their Maths and Reading at home. Thank you also to Mrs Mockford who catered for us during our evening and provided us all with some delicious food! We look forward to working in partnership with you and watching your children flourish. To those of you that were unable to attend, your child should have brought home any documentation that was handed out during the class presentations and any PowerPoints used will be emailed to you next week. Please do not hesitate to speak with your child's Class Teacher should you have any further questions.

## Dates for your diary

On set Friday's we have an assembly led by a class (parents will be welcome to these) – the first few are:

Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Little Way Week – Year 3 – 9.00am
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Black History Month – Year 6 – 9.00am
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-bullying Week – Year 5 – 9.00am



## London's Calling

On Wednesday, Year 4 and 5 will be visiting London to experience a wonderful day in our Capital City. This is part of our Romero Child Charter and Cultural Capital offer in which we offer the children an opportunity to explore the Capital City of the country in which they live. The children will be given a guided tour and experience the West End Show: The Lion King! It is set to be a fabulous day!

Please ensure children are in school for the earlier time of 7.40am on Wednesday!

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## Pupil Leadership

Here at St Gregory's, we are keen to grow leaders of the future and want to involve the children in our decision making as much as possible – it is their school after all! This week we have held our Election week in which all children have applied for the roles they wish to be considered for. Next week, we will have our whole school voting week in which the children will vote for those that they wish to represent them! Keep an eye on our newsletter when we will announce the successful candidates for the following leadership teams:

- ♥ Head Boy and Head Girl (Year 6 only)
- ♥ House Vice-Captains (Year 5 only)
- ♥ School Council (Year 3 – 6)
- ♥ Choir (Year 1 - 6)
- ♥ Eco Team (Year 2 – 4)
- ♥ Sports Leaders (Year 4 – 6)



We look forward to once again focussing on the qualities of leaders and the British Value of Democracy. Bring on next week!

## School Dinners

As most of you are aware now all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal at lunchtime. Do you meet the criteria for Free School Meal status? It's important to fill in this application even though your child is getting a free school meal under the government scheme. By applying you could raise an extra £1300 for our school from central government, to fund valuable support like teaching assistants, after school clubs and school trips. Please see Mrs Carpenter in our school office for further information or speak with Mrs McCormick who is our Pupil Premium Lead.

Parents of current **Year 3 children**, please remember that if you are entitled to a "free school meal" you can apply online at [http://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/54/benefits/168/free\\_school\\_meals](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/54/benefits/168/free_school_meals) or we can apply on your behalf if you provide us with the following information: [St Gregory's Pupil Premium Application Request](#)



## Secondary School Admissions (current Year 6) for September 2024

All applications need to be in by **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023**

You can apply online at [www.coventry.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/admissions).



## Primary Admissions for Reception September 2024 - Rising Fives

If you have a child whose birthday falls between 01.09.2019 and 31.08.2020 you need to apply now for a primary school place for your child in September 2024. Apply online at [www.coventry.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/admissions). Closing date for applications is **15<sup>th</sup> January 2024**. Please note the Admissions Policy and how the places are allocated. Priority is given to baptised Catholics as we are a Catholic school.

## Secondary Admissions – Cardinal Wiseman Catholic Secondary School

Parents/ carers of pupils in Year 6 are carefully choosing a secondary school for September 2024. If you are considering a Secondary school for your child, please click on the link to access our website: <https://cardinalwiseman.coventry.sch.uk> to find out how your child can continue their journey of learning at Cardinal Wiseman Catholic Secondary school.

Cardinal Wiseman is a GOOD school (Ofsted 2022). We warmly welcome you to consider our school as a place for your child in Year 7; we know that God has a vocation and plan for each pupil and know that our school community will be blessed by the presence of the new pupils that join us in September 2024.

We welcome you to join us for the forthcoming Open Evening on  
**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 5-7pm.**

## Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September, our newly formed School Council will be hosting a fundraiser for Macmillan Cancer Support. They are asking for a donation of cakes so that they can host a cake sale during morning breaktime as part of the Macmillan coffee morning fundraiser! Children are welcome to bring in some change to purchase a cake and raise some money for a great cause!



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## St Gregory's Attendance

NURSERY	N/A
RECEPTION	N/A
YEAR 1	92.23%
YEAR 2	93.92%
YEAR 3	98.32%
YEAR 4	91.3%
YEAR 5	97.41%
YEAR 6	97.3%

THIS WEEK'S WHOLE SCHOOL  
ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE IS

95.6%

WE ARE AIMING FOR AT LEAST 97%



### Next week at a glance

Date	Time	Activity
Value and Virtue – Grateful and Generous		
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30am & 11.30am	Parish Mass at St John Fisher Catholic Church
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	All Day 9.00am	Pupil Leadership Voting Week Mission Assembly ~ Head Boy and Head Girl Manifestos
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	PM	Rock Steady Lessons
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	7.40am 6.30pm 8pm	Year 4 and 5 depart for London Year 6 Confirmation Parents Meeting @ St John Fisher Church Year 4 and 5 Return from London
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	All Day	God's Planet Retreat Day ~ Rise Theatre
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am Breaktime 11am	Celebration Assembly & Year 3 Class Assembly McMillan Coffee Afternoon One Life Retreat: Creation
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	11.30am	Year 6 Mass of Enrolment for Confirmation

Wishing you a wonderful weekend!

Megan Scullion

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## ST GREGORY'S LUNCH MENU

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Providing food for the soul!'*



### RED OPTION

### YELLOW OPTION

### BLUE PURPLE ORANGE OPTION

**MON**

Toad in the Hole  
with Mashed  
Potato

Vegetable & Lentil  
Curry with Boiled  
Rice & Naan Bread

Jacket Potato  
with  
Tuna/Cheese/Beans

**TUE**

Pepperoni Pizza  
with Tomato Pasta

Cheese & Tomato Pizza  
with Tomato Pasta

Jacket Potato  
with  
Tuna/Cheese/Beans

**WED**

Chicken Roast  
Dinner

Quorn Roast Dinner

Jacket Potato  
with  
Tuna/Cheese/Beans

**THU**

Spaghetti & Beef  
Meatballs with  
Garlic Bread

Macaroni Cheese  
& Garlic Bread

Jacket Potato  
with  
Tuna/Cheese/Beans

**FRI**

Battered Fish & Chips

Vegan Sausage Roll  
& 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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