



St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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Dear parents, children, staff and parishioners,

It has been another busy week at St Gregory's, and Year 6 were certainly living examples of our 'making moments that become memories' mission! Year 6 enjoyed a 5 day residential to Plas Dol-y-Moch, and if their photos were anything to go by, they looked like they had the most enjoyable time! Gorge walks, rock scrambling, kayaking and mine explorations were all part of the agenda – and the children really threw themselves into embracing these experiences and all that they had to offer. It was so lovely to see the children develop in character too. They displayed team work, resilience, respect and so much more! They may have returned a little more tired than when they departed, but have also returned with a wealth of memories that will stay with them for many years to come!



Next week, we look forward to informing you about the start your child has made to their new year group, and of the work they have completed, during our Parents and Carers Evenings, and will once again provide you with opportunities to view your children's books to see their achievements for yourself during our Looking at Learning sessions which will take place after half term. Please do also keep an eye on our social media to celebrate the children's learning with us – they are achieving such great things and producing work of such a high standard, and we really are very proud of their efforts!

October Catholic Life Focus ...

During the month of October, we focus on praying the Rosary to Our Lady

The Gift Team were overjoyed, that on Thursday, their Rosary Club was attended by lots of the children across school. It was wonderful to see! Our faith is important to us at St Gregory's!

☆ 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	Lowen	Alex	Kaylen	Olivia	Isabelle	Kenzie	Scarlett
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: Godiva ~ 167			Overall Winner: Belgrade ~ 578		
Gifts and Talents		Eden ~ Earned her orange belt in her kickboxing grading Jude ~ earned an award for gymnastics and working hard despite being so young Anabelle – earned a medal at a dancing competition Noah – earned an award for gaming!					

Parent Consultations

Parents and Carers parent consultation booking is now available via Arbor. This consultation will be an opportunity for you to meet with your child's class teacher and gain an understanding as to how your child has settled into their new year group. The staff are looking forward to meeting you and updating you on your child's progress to date. Parent Consultations will be held on the following dates, and appointments will be available from 3.30pm until 6pm:

All Year Groups – Tuesday 17th October and Thursday 19th October

Winter Uniform

From Monday 6th November, all children will be expected to wear their winter uniform please. **No polo shirts please.** Children will need to wear shirts/ties/jumpers/trousers (skirts/pinafore dresses) etc. Ties are compulsory and not optional – so please buy these before half term ends. Thank you

Our Dress Code

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Secondary Admissions – Cardinal Wiseman Catholic Secondary School

Parents/ carers of pupils in Year 6 are carefully choosing a secondary school for September 2023. 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 2023.



Secondary School Admissions (current Year 6) for September 2024

All applications need to be in by **31st October 2023**

You can apply online at 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 2023. Apply online at www.coventry.gov.uk/admissions. Closing date for applications is **15th 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.

Meet the SENDCo ~ 'Cuppa and a Chat' Afternoon



On Wednesday 18th October, from 9am, we are opening our doors to give you the opportunity to come into school for a 'Cuppa & Chat' whilst meeting our SENDCo.

Miss Mullen, our Special Needs Coordinator, will be on hand to speak with anyone who has any concerns about their child or, anyone who wishes to discuss any further support, we as a school, can provide. She will also be on hand to discuss any previous support your child has had and how we can continue to build the foundations for a firm partnership to flourish in order to secure the best possible outcomes for your child.

The morning will also give you an opportunity to meet with other parents – which, is always a lovely thing for us to be able to offer.

So, please do consider attending – we will provide the refreshments, all we ask of you is your company ☺

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Reading Legend Award

A huge well done to all the children, who received a reading award this week! Keep being super stars!

Please make time to read with your child every night - even 10 minutes before bed can make a huge difference.

As well as their school reading book, children can enjoy reading anything they like at home!

For children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 – remember to document this in your reading books. For children in Key

Stage 2, keep updating the padlet pages – I am loving seeing all of your responses!

Reading Legends

A HUGE WELL DONE TO THOSE THAT HAVE GONE 'OVER AND ABOVE' WITH THEIR READING AND PADLET PAGE SUBMISSIONS!

CHARLIE	ESTHER	MAX	KEELAN JACK
YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6

YOUR REWARD IS ...

A VISIT TO THE VENDING MACHINE

St Gregory's Attendance

NURSERY	100%
RECEPTION	91.79%
YEAR 1	96.71%
YEAR 2	94.33%
YEAR 3	92.88%
YEAR 4	97.33%
YEAR 5	93.33%
YEAR 6	90.42%

THIS WEEK'S WHOLE SCHOOL
ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE IS

94.34%

WE ARE AIMING FOR AT LEAST 97%



Please may I just remind you, that we do not authorise holidays in term time. Whilst we appreciate that holidays during the school term are cheaper, we are unable to approve any holidays unless there are exceptional circumstances (where evidence will be requested). For all requests for leave you must complete the appropriate form (available from the school office). Failure to do so will result in a safeguarding concern being raised, which in turn will trigger a home visit being conducted. This may then result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued if it has been determined that you have been on holiday.

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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 **Leadership team** – Assistant Principal (Mrs Priest), Associate Principal (Mrs Scullion) or Executive Principal (Mrs Williams).

Leaders of Learning	Nursery, Reception Miss Mullen	Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 Mrs Webb	Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 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.

Eco Team Assemble!

Last term, in partnership with The Trophy Centre, we asked the children to collect empty milk bottles to help Team recycle create medals for the Oslo Marathon.

The medals were so popular, they have created world-wide interest in the recyclable medal, which is really exciting. They no longer need the milk bottles, but we have been asked if we can collect PASTIC BOTTLE TOPS of all colours (milk, water or pop bottles). Please can you bring these into school. Let's get collecting!



Whole School Mass – St John Paul II led by Year 1

On Thursday, at 9.15pm, Year 1 will lead our Whole School Mass to honour the feast day of their Class Saint – Pope John Paul II. Father Des will celebrate Mass with us and we look forward to joining together as a family of Faith to remember the works of St John Paul II. The Mass is open to **all** members of our School and Parish Community, therefore, if you would like to attend please sign in via the office and Miss Dunleavy will direct you. We hope to see you there.

Next week at a glance

Date	Time	Activity
Value and Virtue – Grateful and Generous		
Sunday 15 th October	9.30am & 11.30am	Parish Mass at St John Fisher Catholic Church
Monday 16 th October	9.00am	Mission Assembly
Tuesday 17 th October	PM 3.30pm – 6.30pm	Rock Steady Lessons Parent Consultations
Wednesday 18 th October	9am PM	SEND Coffee Morning Star Vision Photographs Mop up Session
Thursday 19 th October	9.15am 3.30pm – 6.30pm 6.30pm	Whole School Mass – Feast of St John Paul II Parent Consultations Y6 Confirmation Parent Meeting at St John Fisher Church
Friday 20 th October	9.00am	Celebration Assembly
Sunday 22 nd October	11.30am	Y6 Mass of Promises for Confirmation

Wishing you a wonderful weekend!

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