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Dear parents, children, staff, and parishioners,



This week, our Pupil Leadership teams have been working hard to make a difference in our School Community and have hosted meetings and assemblies to share their work with others! Our Kindness Ambassadors kick-started our week with an uplifting assembly based on 'World Kindness Day'. The team had been working behinf he scenes to embark on their own secret kindness mission and, after the assembly, were delighted to deliver Kindness Cards to members of our school community who we wished to recognise for their positive contribution and kind-hearted nature. The School Council hosted their first meeting and have planned some lovely activities for us to raise some money for the special cause of Children in Need. It has been so lovely to see so many of the children dressed in spotty themed non-uniform today to mark this cause! Finally, the GIFT team led an assembly on Wednesday morning to reveal how they plan to make a difference in the local community in the lead up to Christmas. They are asking for donations of selection boxes and toiletries to support the Coventry Cyrenians and help make Christmas Hampers for those in need of some extra support — what a fantastic cause!

We are very privileged to have such wonderful children who dedicate their time to making a difference within our School Community as well as our Local and Parish Community — they are defintely leaders of the future, and we are so lucky to be able to witness them flourish!

During the month of November, we focus on remembering those who are no longer with us and who gave their tomorrow for our today ~ we will remember you

Our School Council will be continuing to sell Poppies and badges during the month of November in support of our Poppy Appeal — we hope to raise lots of money for the Royal British Legion.



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!

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
n/a	Ophelia	Iniubong	Isla	Bridget	Sienna	Mollie	Deepak
P.E. Days (come to school dressed in P.E Kits)							
n/a	Friday	Thursday & Friday	Tuesday & Thursday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday
House Point Winner		Weekly Winner: Belgrade ~ 142!			Overall Winner: Belgrade ~ 1247		
Gifts and Talents		Emmie ~ an amazing haul of medals and a trophy for her wonderful dance performances					



Winter Uniform

As we enter the second half of the Autumn Term, 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 remember these. Thank you

First Sunday of Advent ~ Whole School Mass

On Sunday 3rd December at 11.30am, we will join with our Sister School, St John Fisher, to celebrate mass in order to recognise the First Sunday of Advent. This is the one Whole School Mass we are able to celebrate in Church each year and it is always a very special occasion. We would like as many children to attend as possible to help sing in the choir and support with readings. Please can all children in attendance where their winter school uniform and come and sit at the front of church with members of school staff. Your support is greatly appreciated and will ensure it is a wonderful occasion.



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Looking at Learning — What a turn out!

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, we were delighted to welcome a number of parents and carers into school to spend time with their child in order to discuss and look at their learning. The hall was abuzz with the sounds of the children sharing their enthusiasm for all that they have learned with their parents, and it was a joy to hear! Thank you so much to all our families attended this session — it means a lot to the children (and us!) to have your support.



Toy Swap Shop

Our Eco Team need your help! In the coming weeks members from our Eco Team will be hosting St Gregory's Toy Swap Shop. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to swap toys that are no longer needed in your home whilst also being more environmentally responsible and reducing waste. For this event to take place we are asking for donations of toys. If you have toys that are in good condition and are no longer wanted or played with then they would be gratefully received by our Eco Team. Please can you give them to your child's class teacher by Friday 24th November . Further details when the Toy Swap Shop is taking place will follow shortly.

RAAC Survey

You may have heard on the news about recent school closures due to the unsafe use of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete in school buildings. RAAC was widely used in flat roof planks in a variety of buildings from 1960s-1980s. It is quite different from traditional concrete due to the process of manufacture and materials.

We are pleased to share that our Structural Inspection Report on 30th October 2023 shows that there was no evidence of RAAC being present in the roof construction of the school

Nursery	100%
RECEPTION	96.07%
YEAR 1	98.71%
YEAR 2	95.19%
YEAR 3	92.67%
YEAR 4	91.33%
YEAR 5	91.3%
YEAR 6	90.67%

St Gregory's Attendance

THIS WEEK'S WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE IS

94.1%

WE ARE AIMING FOR AT LEAST 97%

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0 = «	94%	>> Needs to improve
19 ≡≪	90%	Concerns
29 Hisand (85%	>> Serious concern

We have had a large number of children arriving late this week Please may we remind you that school begins at 8.50am.

All pupils who arrive late have to sign in on arrival at the office and an accurate log of their time of arrival is made.

At 9.20am the registers will be closed and the morning session will be unauthorised and coded as 'U'.

If your child has 10 or more late 'U' sessions in a 5 week period you may receive a £60 fine per parent per child from the Local Authority.

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Week at a Glance

Date	Time	Activity					
Value and Virtue — Attentive and Discerning							
Sunday 19 th November	11.30am	Year 3 Mass of Enrolment for First Holy Communion at St John Fisher Church					
Monday 20 th November	9am	Mission Assembly — Roles and Responsibilities					
Tuesday 21st November	All Day	Year 2 Visit to Selly Manor					
•	Morning	Indoor Athletics Team to AT7 for Sports Hall Athletics Competition					
	PM	Rock Steady Lessons					
Thursday 23 rd November	9am	Sporting Skills and Values Assembly					
J	PM	GIFT and Eco Teams to visit Coventry Food Bank					
	3.30pm	Netball Match vs Good Shepherd					
Friday 24 th November	9am	Celebration Assembly					
Sunday 26 th November	9.30am & 11.30am	Parish Mass at St John Fisher Church with Fr Sebastian					

Have a wonderful weekend!

Megan Scullion

Mrs Scullion

Associate Principal

Prayer of the Month ~ Eternal Rest

As November is the month of remembrance, all children have been set a challenge to learn the Eternal Rest prayer. Can you help them at home?

eternal Rest

grant unto them,

O LORD,

and let

perpetual light

shine upon them.

MAY THEY

Rest in Peace

Amen

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ST GREGORY'S LUNCH MENU

'Cooking with love; Providing food for the soul!'





RED

Y ELLOW OPTION BLUE PURPLE ORANGE OPTION

MON

Sausage and Mash, with Vegetables and Onion Gravy Vegan Sausage Roll with Mash and Vegetables Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans

TUE

Chicken Curry with Rice and Baby Naan Vegetables Samosas with Rice and Baby Naan Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans

WED

Traditional Roast Meat with Roast Potatoes, Veggies and Gravy Quorn Roast Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Veggies and Gravy Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans

THU

Beef Cottage Pie with Vegetables and Gravy Macaroni Cheese, Mixed Seasonal Vegetables and Garlic Bread Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans

FRI

Battered Fish or Salmon Nuggets, Chips and Beans or Peas

Cheese and Tomato Pizza and Chips with Beans or Peas 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.

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bread, pasta salads/coleslaw and vegetable sticks. **

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