



St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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Keeping
a Holy Lent

Dear parents, children, staff, and parishioners,



Mother's Day always falls on the Fourth Sunday of Lent which is this weekend. This is also the day we say 'thank you' to our Mothers, those here on earth and those who are in heaven. We ask God to bless our Mothers on this special day and I wish all our St Gregory's Mums a very happy Mother's Day on Sunday!

Reception began our Mother's Day celebrations by taking part in a beautiful Prayer Service today with their loved ones. They shared the reasons as to why each of their Mummy's are special and showcased their very artistic paintings of the important women in their lives! They then enjoyed a Mother's Day breakfast with their loved ones to spend some quality time together! It was a wonderful morning and a chance to celebrate the love they share with their grown ups!

Their video can be found here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ts3hlx6YmkI>



Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations are now available to book on Arbor up until the 21st of March at 16:00pm. 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 is progressing within their current 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:

Year 5 - Tuesday 9th April and Wednesday 10th April

All Other Year Groups – Tuesday 9th and Thursday 11th April

We do appreciate that this is after the Easter break, therefore, if you have anything that you feel needs a more urgent discussion, please email admin.sg@romeromac.com to book an appointment prior to breaking up.

Nursery Applications for September 2024

We are now also taking applications for our Nursery for a September 2024 start. Please contact the office if you would like an application pack 😊

We do only have a limited number of places left for September – so please do hand your applications in promptly! Closing date is Friday 22nd March 2024!



Lent 2024 Cake Sales

During Lent we will be having a number of cake sales to raise money for our Lenten charities. Each week, there will be 2 year groups in charge of organising and running the Cake Sale. If your child is in these year groups, we would appreciate your support by donating cakes for the children to sell. On cake sale days, children can bring in money to purchase cakes (30p/50p in price). Don't forget! All cakes will be sold during break time and any left after school each Tuesday during Lent. Lent is a time for Almsgiving – raising money to give to charity – the cake sales are a one-off the four weeks we run this.

The remaining date is as follows:

Tuesday 12th March – Year 3 and Nursery



Mousike Ensemble – One Planet, One World

As part of the music curriculum the children in Year 1 and Year 4 will be taking part in a big music event. This is taking part towards the end of this half term, but the children are beginning the practice now – learning songs that are linked to our PSHE curriculum and learning their instrument parts. The children will also be learning a 'school showcase', but this is top secret at this stage! The children will be joining with 200 other children from across our Catholic Schools to perform and celebrate their learning.



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Lent Dates

Lent 2024	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week beginning 11 th March	Mission Assembly: 4 th Sunday of Lent	Staff Lenten Prayer Time Year 3 and Nursery to bring in cakes for their Cake Sale (breakfast after school) GIFT Team Prayer Time – St Gregory's Community Far and Wide	Year 3 and 4 Holy Week Reflection at Cardinal Wiseman – 6pm	Gift Team Prayer Time (Lunch) Year 1 Musique Ensemble Year 4 and 5 Reconciliation Y5 Choir: Born for This Reflection at St Patrick's	
Week beginning 18 th March	Achievement Awards KS1 & Y3 Year 4 Musique Ensemble	Staff Lenten Prayer Time KS2 Achievement Awards 9am Y6 Reconciliation Y6 SATs Parent Workshop	Science Workshop Day SEND Parent Coffee Afternoon	EYFS Achievement Awards Gift Team Prayer Time (Lunch) Y6 Takeover Day Group 1	Whole School Mass Holy Week 9.15am Parents Welcome Break Up

World Book Day – Winners Revealed!

The entries to our World Book Day Competition for World Book Day were Eggcellent! We were so impressed with the creativity and knowledge of books to create the perfect character portrait from egg boxes – it made the judging egg-tremely hard! The Winners of our Portrait Competition will be announced next week!

During our World Book Day celebrations, we also were treated to a whole school character parade – this was so much fun! The staff and children brought their enthusiasm to reading in catwalk show dressed as one of their favourite book characters!



Key Stage Two also enjoyed completing a Book World Cup. Children learned not to judge a book by its cover as they put books head-to-head based on their blurb! The winning books will be purchased for their classroom libraries and our main school library! The children are looking forward to getting their hands on them!

We hope that parents and carers heard about all of the magical activities we had in store for the children for World Book Day this year and that the children's passion and love for reading was reinvigorated. Thank you also for helping the children prepare their costumes and props - they looked wonderful!

The amount a child reads is the biggest factor affecting their academic success!

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St Gregory's Attendance

NURSERY	98.37%
RECEPTION	90.71%
YEAR 1	92.67%
YEAR 2	90%
YEAR 3	98.33%
YEAR 4	98%
YEAR 5	97.59%
YEAR 6	94.67%

THIS WEEK'S WHOLE SCHOOL
ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE IS

94.92%

WE ARE AIMING FOR AT LEAST 97%



Science Week

From next week, and until the end of term, we will be celebrating Science Week! The aim of Science Week is to motivate people of all ages to engage with science at home and in the classroom. From class challenges to awe and wonder experiments the children will be fully submerged in science. We will be also holding our very own Gadget shop, which will enable children to carry on their enthusiasm for science at home but also will raise funds to help enhance our science curriculum at school. The Gadget shop will run at lunchtimes and the cost of items ranges from 50p to £3.

Easter Eggs Donations Welcome

As part of their Social Action Project, Year 5 are collecting Easter Eggs to donate to the children in the Children's Ward at University Hospital. They will be delivering these to the hospital before we break up. If you would like to make a donation, please send an Easter Egg in with your child and they can hand it to Mrs Tate or Mrs Swiadek in Year 5.

What does it mean to be a Romero Child?

Here at St Gregory's, we pride ourselves on the experiences we provide for our children, whether that be spiritually, academically or socially. The premise is simple: by providing our students with a vast range of experiences that are deeply rooted in faith which allow them chance to explore the world around them in all its

wonder, we prepare our children to be all that God intended them to be and assist them in maximising their contribution to the wider world. In order to exemplify the way in which we hope to do this, we follow a Romero Academy initiative known as the 'Romero Child'. The Romero child is our 'Character Education' offer and aims to help children develop through 6 strands.

Romero Reflects **Romero Serves** **Romero Aspires** **Romero Experiences** **Romero Thrives** **Romero Shines**

The experiences provided within each of the strands is adapted according to the age of each child. It is through these experiences provided through the Romero Child Charter that we hope to shape who the children grow up to be, assist them in answering God's call and help them to develop their own talents and reach their God-Given Potential. A further insight into the more specific details of the Romero Child will be communicated with you before Easter, however, we felt it was important during this time that you were aware of this initiative and know how it supports your child.

If you wish to know more about the Charter at this point in time, please use the link to read the brochure available on our website: [Romero Child Brochure](#)

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Moments with Mum and those who Matter ~ Share a Story

Thank you to all of the Mum's and Loved ones who joined our Share a Story event today! It was lovely to seeing you all enjoy your time together sharing a story and enjoying a sweet treat! We managed to capture some beautiful moments 😊



Year 3 and 4 Holy Week Reflection

Year 3 and 4 are currently busy behind the scenes preparing themselves to deliver a very special performance. The children in these Year Groups are working to perform a special reflective performance to retell Jesus' last moments on earth entitled: Surrender All. This performance will take place on Wednesday 13th March at 6pm. In order to make this experience a special one, and to give it the recognition it deserves, we have booked the Cardinal Wiseman Theatre so that the children are able to perform their reflection on a real-life stage with working tech including lighting and sound systems. Children will be transported to the theatre from school in order to complete a tech rehearsal and will remain there until their reflection at 6pm. Parents, families and other children are then invited to come a witness their reflection at 6pm. If your child is unable to attend, please send a letter direct to Mrs Scullion or via email at admin.sg@romeormac.com.



Meet the SENDCO ~ 'Cuppa and a Chat' Afternoon

On Wednesday 20th March, from 2pm, 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 afternoon 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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Week at a glance

Date	Time	Activity
Value and Virtue – Faith Filled and Hopeful		
Assessment Week		
Gadget Shop		
Sunday 10 th March	9.30am & 11.30am	Fourth Sunday of Lent (Parish Mass) with Father Sebastian Mothering Sunday
Monday 11 th March	9.00am 1pm 1.15pm Afternoon	Mission Assembly Year 4 Stations of the Cross Y6 Cycling Lessons KS1 Gymnastics Competition at Tribe
Tuesday 12 th March	Break time 1.15pm 2pm	Year 3 & Nursery Cake Sale Rock Steady Lessons GIFT Team Prayer Time with other St Gregory's schools in the diocese!
Wednesday 13 th March	9am – 10am All Day 6pm	Nursery Stay and Play for April Intake Year 3 and 4 Tech Rehearsal – Cardinal Wiseman Theatre Year 3 and 4 Present 'Surrender All' @ Cardinal Wiseman Theatre
Thursday 14 th March	Morning 3.30pm 6pm	Year 1 Musique Ensemble Performance at Sacred Heart Football Match vs St Elizabeths - AWAY Born for This Reflection at St Patrick's Church – Year 5 Choir
Friday 15 th March	11am	Year 6 Body Image Workshop with School Nursing Team
Sunday 17 th March	9.30am & 11.30am	Fifth Sunday of Lent (Parish Mass) with Father Sebastian at St John Fisher

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Megan Scullion

Mrs Scullion
Associate Principal



RED
OPTION

YELLOW
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

Beef Lasagne With
Garlic Bread Slice

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

BBQ Chicken and
Vegetable Bake
served with Nachos

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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In Partnership with Coventry SENDIASS Coventry Education Psychology Team will be running a FREE session for parents/carers on **Emotion Coaching**

Emotion Coaching is an approach that parents/carers can use with children and young people to support their emotional development.

Research suggests that Emotion Coached children and young people:

- Are more emotionally stable
- Are more resilient
- Achieve more academically in school
- Have fewer behavioural problems

This session will introduce the steps of Emotion Coaching and it's scientific basis and will involve practical activities and resource sharing so that parents can begin to use this increasingly popular approach straight after the session.

'Live' Virtual Session

(This session will be delivered via Microsoft Teams)

Tuesday 12th March 2024

9.30am – 11.30am

To book a place (and get your link) please contact SENDIASS

Tel: 024 7669 4307 or email: iass@coventry.gov.uk

***Please QUOTE: 'EPS' when booking**

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