



St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School

'Together, in Jesus, we Love, Learn, Create and Celebrate!'

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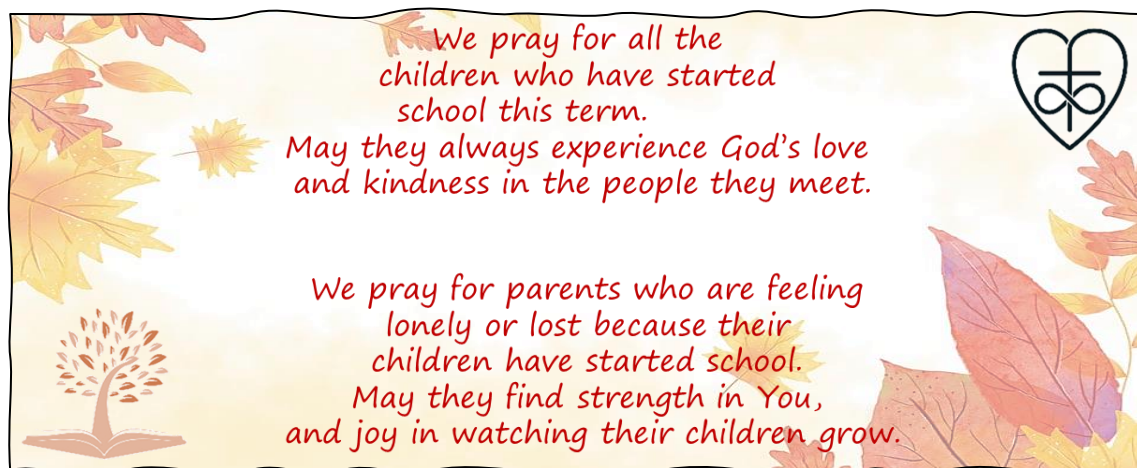
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Friday, 27 September 2024

Dear school community,

This morning was a particular joy of the term so far, as we officially welcomed our new Reception children and their families, Albert from Year 2, Mrs Povey (Y4 Teacher) and Miss Dillon (PPA Teacher). Our Reception children have settled into school life wonderfully, thoroughly enjoying the variety of learning opportunities they are presented with every day. Our school adults are enjoying seeing their curiosity at work in the different areas, engaging in many wonderful conversations and sharing in their creativity and love for stories. Reception Class children are showing kindness and care towards their friends, and particularly enjoying spending time with their Year 6 buddies. We continue to ask for God's blessings upon our new Reception children as they begin their school journey here at St. Gregory's; we also continue to pray for you, their families, as you watch your children learn and grow in the most wonderful of ways.



Celebration of the Word

This week, our school family gathered for a special Celebration of the Word, focused on the theme of true greatness. Drawing from the Gospel of Mark, we reflected on Jesus' teaching that greatness isn't about being the best, winning, or being the most popular. Instead, Jesus showed us that true greatness comes from humility, serving others, and putting others before ourselves. Through prayer, reflection, and discussion, we were encouraged to think about how each of us can show kindness and help those around us, following Jesus' example. We were reminded that even small acts of love and service are ways to grow in greatness in God's eyes.

Democracy Day

I have been overwhelmed with pride and hope as I read the many wonderful applications from our Year 6 pupils applying to form our Pupil Leadership Team for 2024-2025. Next Tuesday, Year 6 applicants will be interviewed as part of the recruitment process. Children in Year 2 to Year 5 will also take to the ballot box as they vote for members of the class to represent them in our School Council. We look forward to conversations of democracy, voting, fairness and equality; we also look forward, with hope and optimism, to the positive difference the pupil voice will have in the life and direction of our school.



Parents' Evenings

Many thanks to our families who have already signed up for our forthcoming Parents' Evenings on Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th of October. We look forward to inviting families into school to have meaningful conversations around how well children have settled into school life, and how school and home can work together to best support children's development. We thank you in advance for your support and partnership.

With my best wishes for a wonderful weekend,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Perree'.

Mr Joseph Perree
Headteacher



Newsletter

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Week Ending Friday 27th September 2024.

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Reception
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Reception

Miss Connolly would like to welcome our Reception Parents/Carers to a Reading meeting on Wednesday 2nd October at 6pm.

This is an opportunity for our families to discover how to support your child with their reading, understanding phonics and the early years reading scheme that St.Gregory's follows.

This is a very important meeting for your children and we look forward to welcoming at least one parent/carer to attend this meeting.



Parents Evening

Parent's Evenings for all children at St.Gregory's Catholic Primary School will be taking place on 8th and 9th October 2024.

Our booking form for Parents' Evening is now closed on the school app. Thank you to our families who have selected appointments. If you missed the deadline and have not selected your appointment, please email Mrs King and she will try to accommodate you.

Each appointment will last no longer than 5 minutes, this enables the teachers time to speak to all parents about their child's progress. However, if you feel that you may need more time to discuss your child's current progress or any issues you wish to discuss, please contact the school office and we can arrange a further appointment after Parents' Evenings.

We look forward to welcoming our families to our Parents' evenings.

Munchkins

At St.Gregory's Catholic Primary School we provide wonderful, healthy food for all our children at lunchtime, freshly cooked by our school cook, Sara.

Sara has many years experience of cooking for schools in Sefton and we are very fortunate to have Sara at St.Gregory's.

There are always many options for the children to choose from, including a traditional roast dinner, curry and rice, fish fingers, plus lots more delicious dishes.

As we enter the colder season, a freshly cooked hot lunch is perfect for the children.

The full menu for our school meals is available



CLUBS

After School Clubs are up and running and the response to our clubs has been wonderful. If your child attends any of the Clubs, could you please ensure your payment is made via your child's Parentpay account.



Snack Time

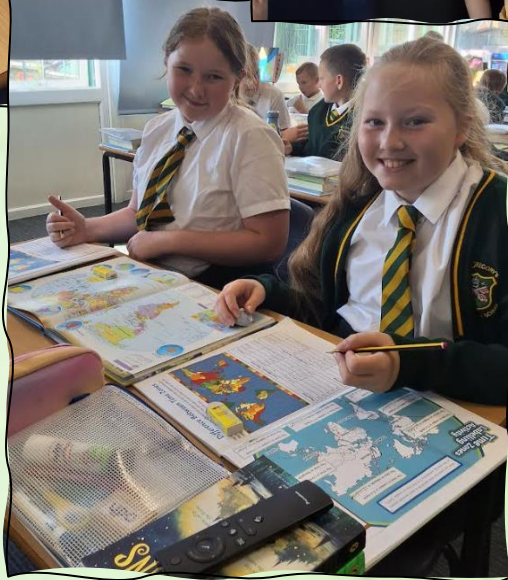


Children in KS2 are welcome to bring a healthy fruit snack into school for playtime. Please avoid sending in breakfast bars, winders etc.



Y2 had the best time mixing, kneading, rolling and baking pizzas!

Y6 have been developing their knowledge of time zones and using atlases to help explain the world around us!



Tension, excitement and energy were all high in Y4 as the children used technology to practice their knowledge retrieval!



Y5 historians (or should I say scholars?) learning about the House of Wisdom.



School Calendar!

Monday 30 th September	Year 5 Swimming Lesson
Tuesday 1 st October	Selected Boys Football Match – Away at Melling Primary
Wednesday 2 nd October	Reception Class Reading Meeting for Parents/Carers only – 6pm
Thursday 3 rd October	Selected Girls Football Match – Away at Melling Primary
Monday 7 th October	Year 5 Swimming Lesson
Tuesday 8 th October / Wednesday 9 th October	Parents' Evenings – appointments via the app
Monday 14 th October	Year 5 Swimming Lesson
Monday 28 th October to Friday 1 st November	Half Term Holiday - school closed
Monday 4 th November	INSET DAY – school closed
Tuesday 5 th November	School reopens after half term break. Breakfast Club available.
Thursday 7 th November	Selected Girls Football Match – Home v Lydiate Primary
Monday 11 th November	Year 5 Swimming Lesson
Monday 18 th November	Year 4 Swimming Lessons commence
Monday 25 th November	Year 4 Swimming Lesson
Tuesday 26 th November	Y6 Height and Weight programme
Monday 2 nd December	Year 4 Swimming Lesson
Monday 9 th December	Year 4 Swimming Lesson
Monday 16 th December	Year 4 Swimming Lesson
Wednesday 18 th December	Whole School Panto and party food lunch
Friday 20 th December	School closes at 1.30pm for Christmas holidays

Please note: This calendar will be updated to inform our families weekly of events happening at St.Gregory's. There may be a change to some dates/times of events above, which may be out of our control, however we do aim to inform parents as soon as possible of any changes to the school calendar.

Celebrations

Our Celebration Assembly looked a little different today, as we celebrated welcoming our Reception Class and families.

A separate news item will be shared on Monday, celebrating all our achievement winners for this week.

We're very proud of you!