



St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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

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Good afternoon families,

We've come to the end of the first week back in September, and we couldn't be happier or prouder! After a productive two INSET days, we were thrilled to welcome children back to school on Wednesday; it's safe to say the heart and life of our school were back!

I have felt a deep sense of joy and pride in greeting the children at the gate each morning, as they eagerly walk into school to greet their class friends and staff and get stuck into the day's learning straight away. I have to say, I hadn't anticipated the gravity of the emotion as the children so sensibly filed into the hall on Wednesday morning, looking so incredibly smart and happy to be united again... and then the singing started so beautifully and prayerfully – a moment and feeling I'll be holding onto for a very long time!

Drop-off and Collection – Thank you!

Thanks to all families for your cooperation and understanding as we began a new way for dropping off and collecting. Because of our whole-school efforts, children have been collected safely and swiftly. Thank you!

Uniform

Our thanks go to you for just how smartly the children have come to school this week. The children have taken pride in their appearance – they really do look wonderful. **Please ensure all items are labelled**, ideally with sown-in tags, or with permanent marker as a minimum.

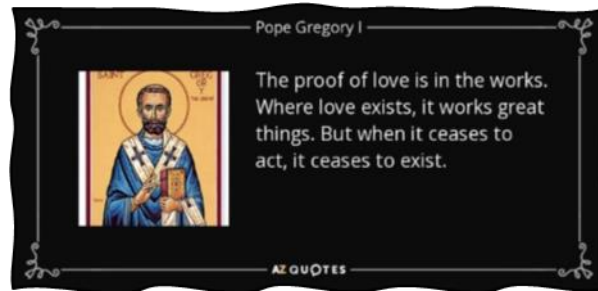
Meet the Teacher

We look forward to seeing families in our Meet the Teacher sessions beginning next week. The sessions take place straight after school, beginning at approximately 3.25pm. Please be prepared to share your most up-to-date contact details at these sessions, which will include one contact number from out of your household and an email address.

Thank you!

Thanks again to you, our families, for your cooperation and partnership at the start of this new school year. My thanks also go to our dedicated team of staff, who have begun this school year with immense energy and enthusiasm, and their usual sense of love and care for our children and each other. I couldn't be more excited for what this year will bring!

I leave you with a quote from St. Gregory the Great, as we celebrated our school's feast day on Wednesday.



In a world filled with challenges and uncertainties, Pope St. Gregory's message of faith, service and love for one another remains as relevant as ever. His life story is a beacon of hope and a reminder that – even in difficult times – we can all make a positive difference in the lives of those around us, by following the path of compassion and faith and living by his example.

With my very best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph Perree".

Joseph Perree
Headteacher

Newsletter

Week ending - 6th September, 2024.

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Welcome Back to School!

It has been wonderful welcoming all our children to school this week and we are thrilled as to how quickly they have all settled into their new classes. We understand that parents would like to find out further information about your child's upcoming year, and how school and home can work in partnership to meet the needs of all, so we will be holding 'Meet The Teacher' sessions, as detailed below:

Year 1: Thursday 12th September
Year 2: Tuesday 10th September
Year 3: Monday 9th September
Year 4: Monday 16th September
Year 5: Tuesday 17th September
Year 6: Wednesday 11th September



The sessions will run straight after school and will be held in the classrooms. The children are all welcome to wait in the school hall with school staff, whilst the meetings are taking place.

At these sessions, we will also gather the most up-to-date contact details from families, which should include one email address and three telephone numbers, one of which should be a contact from outside of your household.

We look forward to seeing as many families as possible at our
'Meet The Teacher' sessions.

'Window of Welcome'

Our Window of Welcome remains the same: children may enter school from 8.45am, and the gates will be locked at 8.55am to begin registration.

There will no longer be three gates to enter from, and Key Stage 2 will no longer be entering through the double field gates.

Nursery children will continue to queue at their usual gate, and Mrs Fidler will invite parents with their children to the Nursery door. Reception to Year 6: Children from Reception through to Year 6 will enter via the main gate (previously the KS1 gate), walk down the slope and head straight into class, where they will be greeted by staff.

Dates For Your Diary!

Please find below a list of upcoming events at St.Gregory's Catholic Primary School. We will always try our best to inform parents of future events with plenty of notice, however, there may be times when dates of events are changed or cancelled, which is out of our control.



Monday 9 th September	Swimming Lessons Commence	Year 5 Children
Thursday 12 th September	Photographer for whole school	Individual photographs
Monday 16 th September	Swimming Lessons	Year 5 Children
Monday 23 rd September	Swimming Lessons	Year 5 Children
Friday 27 th September	Welcome Assembly for Reception and new children to St.Gregory's commencing at 9.15am	Reception families and families of new children in school, are welcome to attend.
Monday 30 th September	Swimming Lessons	Year 5 Children
Monday 7 th October (week)	Book Fair	Scholastic Books
Monday 7 th October	Swimming Lessons	Year 5 Children
Monday 14 th October	Swimming Lessons	Year 5 Children
Monday 21 st October	Swimming Lessons	Year 5 Children
Monday 28 th October to Friday 1 st November	Half Term Holiday	School Closed
Monday 4 th November	INSET DAY	Children are not to attend school on this day
Tuesday 5 th November	Special Lunch Day: Diwali	
Monday 11 th November	Swimming Lessons	Year 5 Children (last session)

Celebrations



Congratulations to our Reception and KS1 Gold Medal and Special Award Winners

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Congratulations to our KS2 Gold Medal Winners

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Congratulations to our KS2 Special Award Winners