



8th March, 2024.

Message from Mrs Albon.....

Dear School Community,

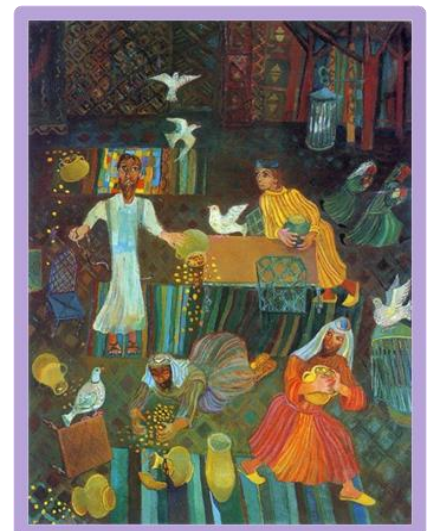
What a delight it was to welcome lots of Mums and significant ladies to our Mother's Day Assembly today. The children entertained us magnificently with poems, flattering paintings and of course their wonderful singing. The audience were appreciative and smiling throughout, with perhaps just a few happy tears! We are very proud of all our Early Years and Key Stage One children.



It was also lovely to celebrate World Book Day yesterday. The children really enjoyed creating characters from their favourite books using a wooden spoon. They were all extremely creative! Lots of activities took place throughout the day, which are included in this newsletter and on our twitter page. Well done everyone!

Prayer and Liturgy

This week we heard about how Jesus got angry in the Temple when he saw something that he did not think was right or fair. When we look at the world, we can see lots of things that are not fair. We reflected upon how when we see unfairness around us, how do we make things fair and right again. We prayed that we would be brave enough to stand up for what is fair and right and be a kind and honest friend to all.



Later in the week, Mr Perree led us all in a beautiful reflection for Lent, when we focused upon opening our hearts to make time and space for Jesus. We thought about how we would let Jesus' love in, so it could flow outwards to others.

Lord Jesus, fill me with your love, so it may pour out of me, to others. Amen.

Parents' Evenings

As you know the spring Parents' Evenings will take place next week on **Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th March**. Despite the advanced notice, there are still parents who haven't made appointments, so unfortunately, we cannot accommodate them on the assigned Parents' nights.

On both parents' night, we will be limiting the numbers in the Hub to 15, this is because we do not have additional space large enough to accommodate the normal 25 limit, and we cannot rely on the weather to be outside. It would be really helpful if parents could find alternative child care arrangements on 12th and 13th March, as we also cannot guarantee that any member of staff will be in the hall to look after children who attend with their parents. Any child left in the hall on their own, must not be on a phone or tablet. We look forward to your support and help in this matter.

First Holy Communion - Parish Sacramental Programme- Reminder

There are two sessions with the Parish Catechists which all children and parents should attend.

Session 1 Sunday 17th March 2024

Session 2 Sunday 24th March 2024

The children from St. Gregory's School will attend at 12.30pm - 1.30pm

The children from St. John Bosco School will attend at 1.45pm - 2.45pm

Don't forget the expectation is that children preparing for their First Holy Communion attend mass each weekend. Masses are at 4.30pm on Saturdays at St. Gregory's Church, and on Sundays they are at 9.30am at Our Lady's and 11.00am at St. Gregory's. At the 11.00am mass the children have the opportunity to go to 'Little Church', which brings the Gospel message to children at their own level.

St. Patrick's Day- Ceilidh

Next Friday, in anticipation of the feast of St. Patrick, the children should all come to school into their PE kits, which luckily are green, and each class from Reception to Y6 will be taught an Irish Dance. The event is free and will be funded by the school. I'm sure we will all enjoy our lessons and have lots more fun!

The Stone has rolled away- Choir Easter Play

The Choir have been working hard since Christmas preparing for our Easter Play- '***The Stone has rolled away.***' There will be an opportunity for parents and families to watch the play on Tuesday 26th March at 6.30pm in St. Gregory's Church. There will be no tickets or entrance fee for this performance, however, there will be collection on the night for one of the Archbishop Malcom's Lenten charities- The children of Gaza and the Holy Land.

Next Thursday, 14th March, choir are asked to stay until 5pm so we can have a full run through of the Easter Play. The choir will be wearing different coloured T-shirts for the performance, which will be given to them in school. Please could parents provide either school trousers or leggings to wear with the T-shirt. The dress rehearsal will be the following week. We will let you know which days to bring the trousers and leggings. Thank you!

Unavoidable Hub Closure- Wednesday 27th/Thursday 28th March

Please remember that we will be unable to operate the Hub after school on the last two days of this term: Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th of March. Due to important and unavoidable meetings and events, staff will be required elsewhere, meaning we will be unable to meet the necessary staffing requirements to operate the Hub. We apologise for inconvenience and are assured that this advanced warning will enable families to make alternative arrangements.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

With kind regards,

Deborah Albon
Headteacher

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Road Issues

Once again, we are asking our parents to be mindful when dropping off children and collecting children from school. Sandy Lane is very busy during these times and letting your child out of the car in the middle of the road to run across to the gate is a serious safeguarding concern – please think before you park!



Nearly New Uniform Shop

We will be making our nearly new uniform shop available on both Parents' Evenings.

If you would like some spare uniform, please come along and help yourself!

Parents' Evenings

Important Announcement

Reminder to parents, there will be no clubs running after school on Parents' Evenings.

Hub will be available, but with limited numbers, please only use The Hub on those nights if you really need it!

Many thanks for your understanding.

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We will be holding our Parents' Evenings on Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th March.

All appointments have been made by parents via the new booking system on the school app.

Thank you to all our families for using this system and making your selections.



Sports Events



The following sporting events have been arranged for our children:

Monday 11th March – Y6 Handball Competition at Maricourt High School.
(Selected players)

Friday 15th March – Y3 Football Tournament
(Selected players)

Wednesday 20th March – Sefton Schools Cross Country Championships at Greenbank High School.
(Selected runners)

Tuesday 26th March – Y5/Y6 Girls Football Match (home) Selected Players

There will be lots more sporting events coming up before the end of the school year!



We will be holding our Good Shepherd appeal on week commencing Monday 18th March.

There will be lots more information about this fund raising appeal in next week's newsletter.

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

Children in Year 3 really demonstrated their Design and Technology skills, during their recent session with Steph.

All the children thoroughly enjoyed the lesson, making hydraulic heads.







There was not a dry eye in the house on Friday at St.Gregory's, when all our Mums, Nanas and Grandmas of children in Nursery, Reception and KS1, came to visit, for our Mother's Day Assembly.

The singing was beautiful and the children really delivered their messages of love.



Joined by their Year 6 buddies, the children all made their guests feel really welcome and loved.

Enjoy your Mother's Day!

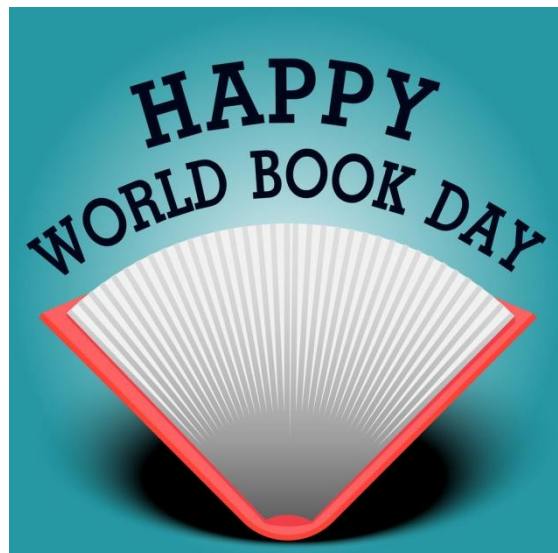


St.Gregory's Catholic Primary School celebrated World Book Day this week, with all the children enjoying lots of activities to support this campaign.



Some classes mixed with others, sharing their special reading books. This was such a magical moment for the younger children, having their friends read to them.

Well done to our older children!

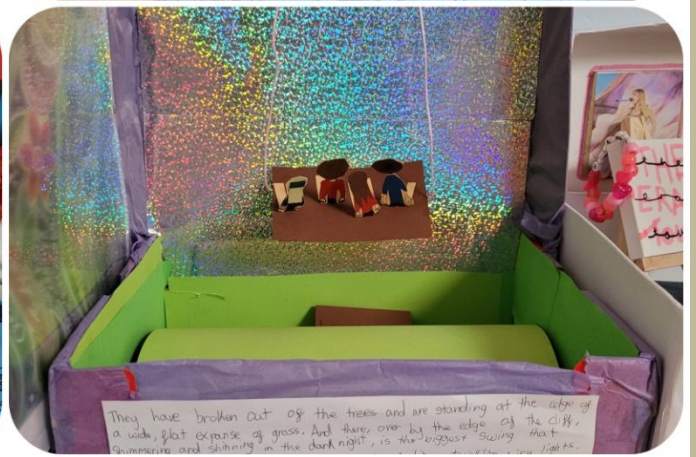


Some children joined in our World Book Day challenge by creating their own 'Book in a Box'.

Their creations were wonderful and so much time and effort had been put into their designs.

Well done to the children who take part in this event.





Mini Marathon - #kNOwknifeCrime – Bleed control Kit Cabinet Campaign

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Sefton Schools say #kNOwKnifeCrime - We want to keep our community safe and be well resourced in the event someone needs medical assistance. As a school, we are always looking for opportunities and ways to educate our children on how to keep themselves safe. We have decided to team up with #kNOwKnifeCrime campaign and London Marathon 2024 and we will be fundraising for bleeding control kits and cabinets for outside our school.

Nursery to Year 6 pupils – Mini marathon We will be having a mini marathon event in our school the week of **15th April 2024** where all pupils will participate in running 2.6 miles in our school grounds.

For participating in this event all children will receive a London mini marathon certificate and our school will receive a trophy. Next week we will be having an assembly about how our mini marathon run will fundraise for a bleed control kit cabinet outside our school. Younger pupils will focus on important lifesaving facts of how a bleed control kit can keep someone alive, whilst waiting for medical assistance. It will also focus on keeping healthy and achieving ambitions goals by setting ourselves the mini marathon challenge.

Pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 will be having a virtual assembly from the #kNOwKnifeCrime campaigner Laura Hughes, (who established in Memory of Colin McGinty) the #kNOwKnifeCrime initiative to educate young people on the wider lasting impact of knife crime. The assembly will be age appropriate and help children to consider the choices they have.

As part of our safeguarding work, we need to educate our pupils on the dangers they may be exposed to. The purpose of the fundraiser is not to scare or worry our community but to raise awareness of the possible risks and raise money to purchase bleeding control kits for our local community.

On Wednesday 17th April selected children from Year 5 and Year 6 will participate in a relay event, where they will be handed the 'bleed control kit baton' from a child from another local school and will then continue the chain, running the baton to the next local school – showing how we are working as a community to help keep us safe. 84 schools throughout Sefton borough are participating in this event.

Further information will be sent home in the coming weeks about the relay and there will also be a fundraising link sent out on the school app for donations to sponsor the mini marathon.

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