



ST. GREGORY'S

Catholic Primary School

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8th December, 2023.

Message from Mrs Albon.....

Dear Parents,

We have been celebrating this week after receiving our Catholic Schools Inspectorate report, which judged our overall effectiveness as **Outstanding**. It is always very stressful living through an inspection and this was no exception, especially the wait for the report due to varying Archdiocesan half-term holidays. However, it was worth the wait, and we could not be prouder of our whole school community, who, day in day out, strive to live out our Mission Statement.

Last night we joined the staff and governors of St. John Bosco, to celebrate mass with Father Grant in thanksgiving for the service of all the adults who work in our schools. It was lovely to stop and appreciate everyone who works for the children of our parish.

Prayer and Liturgy

On Monday Year 5 and Year 6 received the sacrament of Reconciliation, when they made their First Confession at St. Gregory's church.

We began with a prayerful service of Reconciliation when we thought about God's unconditional love for us and how we are called to be the people who bring this strong, gentle, forgiving love to anyone who needs it. Many thanks to Father Grant and his brother priests for their time and sensitivity in hearing our children's first confessions and our families for supporting our children.



Christmas Activities

The school is alive with the sound of Christmas Carols, as our younger pupils prepare to retell the Christmas story next week. We are excitedly looking forward to welcoming you, but respectfully remind you that we can only allow parents and grandparents with tickets to watch the performances. This is in line with the fire regulations, keeping our school community safe.

The choir will be busy over the next couple of weeks, as they are in demand to perform in and out of school. On Wednesday 13th December, the Y5 and Y6 choir members are invited to sing at Beechcroft. The children will be travelling by car at 10.45am and will be back for lunchtime. The residents always look forward to our visits, as a highlight of their year.

On Sunday 17th December, **all** choir members are invited to entertain the Parish at their annual lunch. We appreciate that this is a busy time for families, so we don't expect to see all our choir members. For those who are able to attend, please meet us at the St. Gregory's Parish centre at 1.00pm. We will sing for about half an hour and families are welcome to remain and enjoy the performance.

On **Monday 18th December at 3.45pm**, the school choir will entertain their families in the school hall, accompanied by seasonal refreshments!

A Christmas Bingo has been arranged for **Wednesday 13th December at 6pm** and tickets have now sold out! Thank you for all your generous contributions for prizes and for supporting this event. We look forward to a successful evening. Eyes down!

End of term

As we approach the end of the term, children can become very tired, and this can result in unnecessary fallings out and upsets. Whilst there are so many wonderful activities going on for our children, both in and out of school, we would ask that, if at all possible, bedtime routines could

be maintained, so that amid all the excitement, children don't arrive at school exhausted. This will hopefully enable all friendships and relationships to remain positive.

Have a lovely weekend.

With kind regards,

Deborah Albon

Headteacher

Newsletter

8th December, 2023.

Christmas Nativity Performances at
St.Gregory's Catholic Primary School.

Monday 11th December – Grandparents
Nursery/Reception – 9am
Year 1/Year 2 – 2pm

Tuesday 12th December
Nursery families – 9am
Year 1 families – 2pm

Wednesday 13th December
Reception families – 9am
Year 2 families – 2pm

Please remember your tickets!



St.Gregory's Catholic Primary School

CHRISTMAS BINGO

Bingo tickets
available to
buy on
entrance

Refreshments
and hot food
on sale



Wednesday 13th December

Eyes Down

6pm





Christmas Concert

Monday 18th December
Doors Open at 3.45pm

Children of St.Gregory's School Choir will be performing Christmas songs to families on Monday 18th December. Doors will open at 3.45pm and there will be refreshments available – including mulled wine for the adults!

Tickets are available via the school app.

Come along and enjoy this wonderful event, which will bring festive cheer to your Christmas celebrations!



JACK AND THE BEANSTALK

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Children from Reception Class to Year 6, will be visiting The Atkinson Theatre in Southport on Thursday 14th December, for their spectacular pantomime – Jack and The Beanstalk.

Join hero Jack Trott, as he embarks on an extraordinary journey up the beanstalk, to an enchanted land above the clouds.

With hilarious antics, loveable characters and a handful of magic beans, this traditional family panto will captivate audiences of all ages!

Oh yes it will!

The children will be travelling to and from the theatre on double decker buses, arriving back to school around 12 noon.

Children are to wear their school uniform for this event.

Upon arrival back to school, children will be greeted to a party food lunch.

Christmas Dinner

Children at St.Gregory's Catholic Primary School will be treated to a traditional Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 20th December.

All children from Reception to Year 6 are invited to receive this wonderful lunch, served to them by school staff.

If you would like your child to receive a Christmas Dinner on this day, please complete the form on the school app – we need this to confirm numbers for our very busy school cook!

A form should be completed for each child, if you do not fill out the form, we will assume your child will be bringing a packed lunch on this day.



*Christmas Dinner,
Christmas Dinner,
The heat is rising,
We hope it will
be ready on time!*





Gold Medal Winners





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Special Award Winners





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Best Book Award





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The Parish of Saint Catherine of
Alexandria, Lydiate presents:

SNOW WHITE

**AND THE VERTICALLY
CHALLENGED
EXCAVATORS**



Featuring students from:
St John Bosco Primary School
St Gregory's Primary School
Maricourt Catholic High School
St Bede's Catholic High School

Friday 19th January 2024
7.00 p.m. and
Saturday 20th January 2024
4:00 p.m.

**St Gregory's
Church, Lydiate**

Tickets: £5 Adult, £2.50 Children (Under 18) and Concessions