



13th October, 2023.

Message from Mrs Albon.....

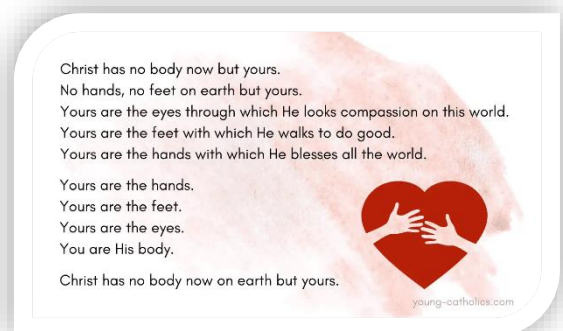
Dear Parents,

It was lovely to welcome you today for our Stay and Read session and for the Coffee Morning afterwards. I know the children really enjoyed sharing time with you in their classrooms. There was a lovely atmosphere as families gathered children together in classrooms to share some of their favourite books. Thank you for your generous contributions for the coffee morning - we made a magnificent £247.77 which will be sent to MacMillan.



Prayer and Liturgy

This week we thought about how we can truly accept Jesus in our lives. We heard the story of the ungrateful tenants who were not kind to the people they met. We prayed that we can show kindness to all who we meet in our lives. We also prayed the prayer of St. Teresa of Avila, which reminds us that we are here to do God's work and follow in the footsteps of Jesus.



Together, in Jesus, we love, learn, create and celebrate!

School Communication Platforms- a reminder

Please remember our revised ways of communication. Each class had an email address set up during Covid, which is still used in the older classes. We will now ask that parents who wish to communicate directly with the teacher, for non-urgent issues, do so using this email facility- email addresses below. The teaching staff will aim to respond to you within 48 hours. If you have an urgent issue then please contact the office. There is an answer phone which is checked regularly if Mrs King is out of the office – there is also an email address for the office:

hking@stgregslydiate.co.uk

Class email addresses

Nursery: nurseryclass@stgregslydiate.co.uk

Reception: receptionclass@stgregslydiate.co.uk

Year One: yearone@stgregslydiate.co.uk

Year Two: yeartwo@stgregslydiate.co.uk

Year Three: yearthree@stgregslydiate.co.uk

Year Four: yearfour@stgregslydiate.co.uk

Year Five: yearfive@stgregslydiate.co.uk

Year Six: yearsix@stgregslydiate.co.uk

Thank you for the feedback we have received about the above; hopefully the new methods of communication will be embedded soon, enabling the lines of communication to remain strong but realistic in terms of teachers' time.

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Parents' Evenings

Don't forget that our Parents' Meetings take place next **Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th October between 3.30pm and 6.30pm**. As previously announced, we will be operating the Parents' meetings in the same way as we did in March. Parents will wait in the hall and be called to the classrooms individually. **It would be really helpful if you did not bring children to the Parent/Teacher meetings: there are no additional staff to look after the children when parents are in meetings, and the hall will be very busy as it is. If you do bring your child, they will not be allowed to play on a mobile phone or a device when in the school building.**

Your child's books will be given to you either before the meeting or following the meeting, depending on where we are in the evening and how big the queues are! We do not leave children's books in the hall as they are personal to you and your child. The Governing Body agreed that all parents attending the meetings will be required to sign up to a Parents Code of Conduct, which will be sent out before the meetings on the school APP. **Fortunately, we are more than reassured that most parent/teacher meetings take place in a spirit of mutual support and respect, and we are truly grateful for your continued support.**

St. Gregory's Award

As a result of our self-evaluation on the Catholic Life and Mission of our school, we are going to introduce a new half-termly award, recognising any member of our school community who lives out our school mission statement, and embodies the values of St. Gregory. Nominations can be received from any child or adult within our school, and then I will meet with members of the Senior Leadership team and the Pupil leadership team, to make the decision! The award will be presented on Thursday next week. I am sure we will be inundated with nominations.

How can we live like St. Gregory?

We can be...

- Caring
- Friendly
- Work hard
- Pray
- Loving

TREAT OTHERS
the way
you
want to be
TREATED.

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Next week will be the final week of the half-term. We will finish at normal time on Thursday 19th October and return on Tuesday 31st October. This includes two of our INSET days, which is why it is a longer holiday. The Hub will be open on Thursday 19th until 5.45pm. Thank you once again for all your support and have a lovely weekend, wrap up well!

With kind regards,

Deborah Albon

Newsletter



St. Gregory's
Catholic Primary School

Date: 13th October 2023

Parents Evening Appointments

Parents Evenings take place on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. Please arrive on time for your appointment, via the hall doors.

MacMillan *Coffee Morning*

Thank you to all our families who joined us for our MacMillan Coffee Morning, after Stay and Read on Friday.

The event was a huge success and we raised £247.77 for MacMillan Cancer Charity – what a fantastic achievement!

Well done everyone!

Cross Country Event

Reminder to parents of children in Years 4, 5 and 6 – the Cross-Country event at Maricourt High School, will now take place on Wednesday 18th October. Times: Year 4 - 3.45pm, Year 5 - 3.55pm and Year 6 - 4.05pm (please arrive 5 minutes before your year group start time)

Parents to collect children from school at normal finish time and meet Miss Richardson at the venue. Parents can stay for this event.

Reminder - Parking is very restricted around the school area, please be mindful when parking, as fines are issued for illegal parking.

Educational Visits

There was a lot of excitement around the school this week, as the teachers informed the children of their upcoming educational trips.

Letters have been sent to parents via the school app, with information about each trip.

We have lots of wonderful places that the children will be visiting: Safari Park, Martin Mere, Eco Centre and our whole school pantomime at Southport theatre. We have also arranged for some fabulous residential trips for our older children to access: CHET, Malham, York and Robinwood. Over the years, our residential trips have been outstanding and the children have thoroughly enjoyed them. All our trips and residential are carefully selected to enhance our curriculum offer and enrich our pupils' lives.

The residential trips would not be able to take place without the dedication of our staff, who give up their own time outside of school hours and, of course, leave their own children and families to attend the residential trips – allowing all our children to have an opportunity to experience these wonderful places – thank you to all our staff!

We have tried our very best to keep costings for our trips as low as possible. The trips have all been updated on Parentpay - spread across instalments until March 2024. However, if you would like more time to spread the payments, please do contact Mrs King confidentially and she will sort this out for you on Parentpay. We would rather parents came to ask for further time to pay, than struggle financially.

Each residential trip has an initial non-refundable deposit, which we ask for as the first payment, this is because the residential venues request a non-refundable deposit from school to secure the booking.

We know all the children are going to thoroughly enjoy all their trips and thank you to our families for supporting our educational visits.

Collective Worship

The focus of prayer time for Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 was from St. Paul's letter to the Philippians. The children were reminded that God is always there for us when we pray each day. We prayed together and recited The Lord's Prayer, which we also sang beautifully.





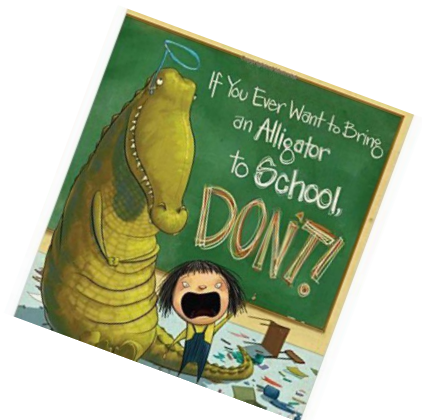
St.Gregory's Catholic Primary Stay & Read

Thank you to all our families who were able to attend our Stay & Read session on Friday. The children loved showing their parents their classrooms and letting them hear them read.



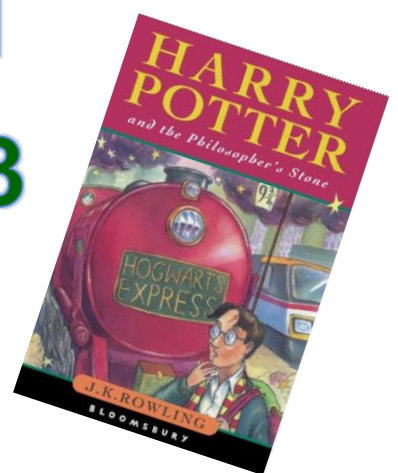
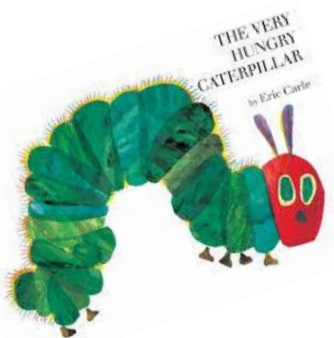


Stay & Read Autumn 2023





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Gold Medal Winners

Congratulations to the winners
of the Gold Medal Award this
week.





Special Award Winners

Congratulations to the winners of the
Special Award this week.



Best Book Award

Congratulations to the winners of the Best Book Award this week.





Could you be a catechist?

Father Grant is looking for volunteers to help with the children's liturgy group, also known as 'Little Church'. This would be at the 11am Sunday mass in St. Gregory's.

The celebration of the Mass includes everyone, both young and old. In accordance with the Directory for Children's Masses, it is appropriate that young children are not neglected because of their inability to participate or to understand what happens and what is proclaimed in the celebration.

Offering a children's liturgy group, led by parents, enables children to understand the Gospel at their level. Anybody interested would be given full training and would of course require a DBS check.

Speak to Father Grant after any of the masses if you would like to find out more details.



Young Readers

At 11.00am mass.

Father Grant is also looking for primary age children to go on a Rota to read at the 11.00am mass. The children would be prepared in school and then supported by church catechists.

Speak to Father Grant after mass if you are interested.

HALFTERM FOOTBALL CAMP

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OCTOBER 24TH

OCTOBER 25TH

OCTOBER 26TH

OCTOBER 27TH



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