



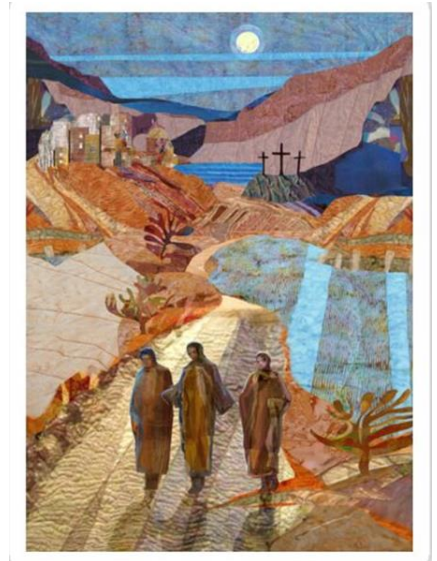
Message from Mrs Albon.....

Dear School Community,

We are certainly packing lots in to our first two weeks back! There have already been three school trips and some new clubs to attend, and - as always - the children are enthusiastically taking part. We now have bank holiday Mondays coming up, followed by the National tests for Key Stage 1 and 2, so we still need to stay focused on the essential learning that takes place in each class every day.

Prayer and Liturgy

This week we listened to the Gospel reading about the story of the disciples walking on the road to Emmaus. We reflected upon how the disciples only recognised Jesus in the breaking of the bread. We thought about how we sometimes don't see Jesus in others, and how we should open our eyes, ears and hearts to one another. We prayed especially for the children who will be making their First Holy Communion in June.



Heavenly Father,

*Open our eyes to see you, open our ears to hear you,
open our hearts to love you more and more each day.*

*May we may learn to serve you with gladness and truly follow in the footsteps of your
Son Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Amen.

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

School Trips

This week, Year 4 were lucky enough to go on a free trip to Pizza Express, where they got to make their own pizza and try some exciting topping - Jalapeno was not the most popular! The children thoroughly enjoyed the trip and hopefully their families enjoyed eating the pizzas. When the children returned, we received an email praising them for their behaviour and manners.

'I just wanted to send out a quick email just to reiterate how great the Year 4 class who visited today was and tell you they are an absolute credit to your teaching and to the school.

To your pupils:

It was an absolute pleasure hosting you all today, and I'm so glad you all had a great time. You were by far one of the most well behaved and well-mannered classes I've seen. The amount of pleases and thankyou's I heard not only to the team and I, but between each other, was fantastic to see!

We are incredibly proud of our Y4 children, who were amazing ambassadors for St. Gregory's - well done to everyone!

As I write, Year 3 are enjoying their 2-night residential to CHET. I visited on Wednesday evening and found them all to be in high spirits and entertaining the kitchen staff with one of our school hymns! Again, staff at CHET spoke to me about how delightful our children are and again spoke about their manners and behaviour.

It makes me so proud to hear such wonderful comments about our children and I know we all share that pride as members of school community. Thank you to all members of our staff who go the extra mile to provide our children with such amazing opportunities, especially on residential, when they give their **own** time so generously and usually without much sleep!

Coronation Celebration- Long Live the King!

Next Friday, we will be holding a very special party lunch for the whole school, including Nursery children, to celebrate King Charles' Coronation. This will be followed by fun activities during the afternoon.

Children and Staff are welcome to come into school on Friday 5th May wearing clothing that are red, white and blue or dressed as a king or a queen. Please refrain

from letting the children wear football kits – simple t-shirts and shorts / dresses etc are fine. **Please do not go out buying expensive clothing for this event!**

A separate activity flyer will follow this newsletter. The sheet is packed with lots of different ideas for how you could mark this significant moment in our country's history in your own homes. With various different activities, we're sure there's something to appeal to everybody! Please do share any of your coronation celebrations with us via our school Twitter: [@stgregs_primary](https://twitter.com/stgregs_primary)

Summer Fayre Meeting - Change of Date to 11th May

Due to an unexpected clash of dates, we have now changed the date of the meeting for all parents and staff interested in helping to organise or help at a summer fundraising event to **Thursday May 11th at 5pm.** If you are not able to attend the meeting and have any ideas or views on a summer fundraising event, then please get in touch with Mrs King through the office.

Fist Holy Communion Preparation Sunday 30th April

The Y4 children shared that they had really enjoyed the first session of the First Holy Communion Parish programme. The second meeting for all children making their First Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 30^h April, this Sunday, at 2.15pm for an hour. There is one further meeting on Sunday 14th May. As yet, Father has not shared who should attend each mass, I hope to have that information next week.

Enjoy your Bank Holiday weekend and we will see you on Tuesday, unless you are affected by the strike action.

Kind regards,

Deborah Albon

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Headteacher

News at St. Gregory's

CHET – What an experience!

Children from Year 3 attended a residential trip this week to CHET (Crosby Hall Educational Trust).

The children all had such an amazing time and were full of lots of adventurous stories!

Parking!

Once again, we are asking our families to be considerate when parking outside of school, during drop off and pick up times.

This week, we had to ensure Year 3 boarded their coach to CHET safely, without any issues – but that was not the case. There were cars double parked on Sandy Lane, which then prevented passing vehicles from being able to drive safely down the road. Please, ask yourself “am I causing an issue where I am parked?”

Bank Holiday Weekend!

Reminder to Parents that Monday 1st May is a Bank Holiday and school will be closed.

See you all on Tuesday 2nd May!

Coronation Celebration Lunch

St. Gregory's will be celebrating the Coronation of King Charles III with a party food lunch on Friday 5th May. Children from Reception to Year 6 are invited to join in the celebrations!

Pizza Delight

As a child, making your own pizza from scratch is an absolute dream.....well, that is what children in Year 4 thought this week, when they visited Pizza Express in Speke.

They created their own works of pizza art, which were not only then cooked on the premises, but taken home with each child.

Well done Year 4 Pizzaiolos!

Year 4 Pizza Express

Children in Year 4 visited Pizza Express this week and created their very own master chef style pizzas.

There were plenty of healthy toppings on show and children were able to cook and more importantly eat their pizzas.









Crosby Hall Educational Trust

Year 3 had a fabulous time at Crosby Hall Educational Trust this week, attending a two-night residential.



Extremely excited for their night walk in the beautiful grounds of CHET – Year 3 were all ready to tackle the challenge!



The children thoroughly enjoyed their pottery lesson in the workshop, after their super tasty dinner.





Art Class with Nicki this week, saw the children using the technique of adapting watercolours to create different shades and styles.



Watercolour is a painting method in which the paints are made of pigments suspended in a water based solution.

The children also used a wax candle to create different feelings of texture in their picture, when applying the colours.

Painting is not just beneficial for your mindfulness and for creating calmness in our lives, but it also strengthens gross and fine motor skills, hand-eye coordination, improves hand manipulation and encourages creativity.



Gold Medal Award

Congratulations to the children who won the Gold Medal Award this week.



Beth Emily Brooklyn

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Grace Ben Bradley

Special Mention Award

Congratulations to the children who won the
Special Mention Award this week.



Matilda Blake Florence

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Felicity Harry Grace

Best Book Award

Congratulations to our Best Book Award winners
this week.



Robert Jessica

Charlotte Georgie



Monday 1 st May	Bank Holiday	School closed
Tuesday 2 nd May	Y3 football match v St.Andrew's	Selected players
Wednesday 3 rd May	Y3 Finch Farm football finals	Selected players
Friday 5 th May	Coronation Celebration Lunch	Whole school event
Monday 8 th May	Bank Holiday	School closed
Tuesday 9 th May to Friday 12 th May	Year 6 SATS	Year 6
Friday 12 th May	Girls football match v Northway	Selected players
Monday 15 th May	Swimming lessons commence	Year 6
Tuesday 16 th May	Year 5 football match	Selected players
Monday 22 nd May	Parish Mass	Year 5/Year 6 in attendance
Friday 26 th May	INSET DAY	School closed
Monday 29 th May to Friday 2 nd June	Half Term holiday	School closed
Monday 5 th June	INSET DAY	School closed
Wednesday 7 th June to Friday 9 th June	Malham residential	Year 4
Tuesday 13 th June	Imagine That! trip	Reception Class
Saturday 17 th June	First Holy Communion	Year 4
Tuesday 20 th June	Safari Park trip	Year 1
Monday 26 th June	KS2 performance	KS2 children
Tuesday 27 th June	KS2 performance	KS2 children
Thursday 29 th June	Sports Day	Whole school event
Tuesday 4 th July	Museum and City Explorer trip	Year 5
Wednesday 5 th July to Friday 7 th July	Robinwood Residential	Year 6
Tuesday 11 th July	Farmer Ted's trip	Nursery
Wednesday 19 th July	School Closes today for Summer Holidays (time to be confirmed)	Whole School