



21st April, 2023.

Message from Mrs Albon.....

Welcome back to what will be a very busy term filled with wonderful activities and experiences for our children. We are planning numerous traditional activities during the summer term, some of which we will be able to invite our families to be part of. The first one will soon be upon us, when we will celebrate the coronation of our new king. Our school celebration will take place on Friday 5th May, the day before the coronation, and will include a party lunch that all children will be invited to take part in. As part of the coronation celebrations, we are inviting all children to dress in colours for the occasion, wearing red, white and blue. As well as the party lunch, there will be lots of activities going on in school throughout the day. There will also be an activity menu shared with families next week showing ways you can come together with creative activities to mark this momentous occasion.

At our staff meeting this week we also looked at some other possibilities, which included:

- ✚ Coronation celebration
- ✚ Year 6/Key Stage 2 performance
- ✚ Outdoor masses in the prayer garden
- ✚ Sports Day
- ✚ Summer Fayre (or another fundraising event – see below)
- ✚ School trips and residentials

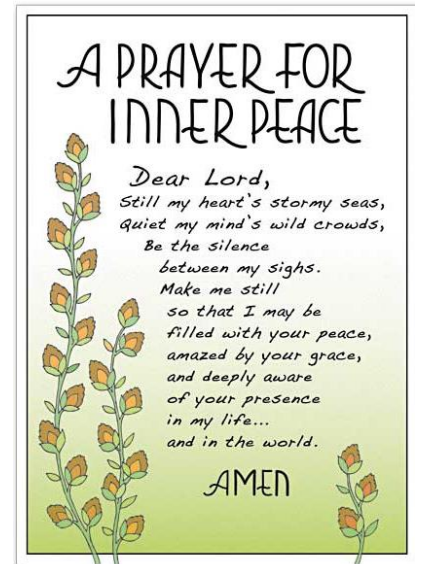
In terms of a summer fayre, we are more than happy to organise one, but we do not want to put our parents under any financial pressures. I am therefore proposing we have a meeting with any parents who would be interested in assisting in a summer fundraising event.

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

The meeting will be on Thursday May 4th 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.

Prayer and Liturgy

This week we welcomed back our new term in prayer, when celebrated the joy and peace of the Easter Story. We listened in our Gospel reading about how the first words of Jesus to his special friends were- "Peace be with you." We considered what peace and faith mean to us in our own lives. Children and staff renewed their baptismal promises with a song and a 'sprinkling' of holy water, I was not as generous with the sprinkling of the holy water as Father Grant was to Mr Perree and myself on Easter Sunday! Each day we have reflected upon how we can bring peace to others in our school, in our homes and in our world.



“Peace be with you.”

First Holy Communion Preparation - Sunday 23rd April at 2.15pm

As published in the last few Parish newsletters, the first meeting for all children making their first Holy Communion with Parish catechists, will take place on Sunday 23rd April, this Sunday, at 2.15pm for an hour. There are two further meetings on Sunday 30th April and Sunday 14th May.

Happy Birthday

Congratulations to Mrs Richardson who reached a milestone birthday this week! We hope she has a very happy new decade! The staff and children celebrated with her in assembly today and presented her with special birthday messages and gifts.

We look forward to a happy and productive summer term and to working together as a school community for the benefit of our wonderful children!

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Deborah Albon
Headteacher

News at St. Gregory's



Happy Birthday Mrs Richardson!

St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School wished one of our valued members of staff a very happy 'special' birthday this week.

Mrs Richardson received many "Happy Birthday" chants from all the classes, particularly from Year 2 children.

CHET Residential Trip

Children from Year 3 will be visiting Crosby Hall Educational Trust next week from Wednesday 26th April to Friday 28th April.

Miss Weston held an information meeting with parents on Monday and the presentation is available on the class dojo.

Have a fantastic time
Year 3!

Contact Details

If any of your contact details have changed, could you please let the school office know as soon as possible.

It is very important that we have at least two emergency contacts for each child.

Clubs

There was a buzz around St. Gregory's this week, with the excitement of after school clubs commencing – Cricket, Art Class, Football and Choir.

St. Gregory's are very fortunate to have access to such wonderful extra curricular clubs!

Jodrell Bank

Children in Year 5 were very fortunate to be able to visit Jodrell Bank this week.

Please see pictures inside this Newsletter.

School Photographer

John, our school photographer, visited this week, for class photographs.

The proofs have been sent home to parents.

If you would like to purchase the photos, please complete the order form and return the slip to school.

Ultimate Kids

Ultimate Kids held a Multi Sports Camp at St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School during the Easter holidays.



This was a very successful camp, which held approximately 25 children each day, from all different year groups.





Prizes were given out to children throughout the Camp, who had showed excellent team work and those who had tried new challenges.

Congratulations to Daniel and Emily who were the overall Camp winners. The coaches were extremely impressed with how they both tried every sport and really flourished throughout the camp.



Collective Worship

Children from Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 gathered for Collective Worship this week. The theme was the gift of Peace. The reading from St. John's gospel helped us to pray for peace with our friends. WE remembered that Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to bring peace to His disciples.





Children in Year 5 were fortunate to have excellent weather for their trip to Jodrell Bank Observatory on Thursday this week, as part of their space topic.





Year 5 were very fortunate to receive a guided tour of the solar system and discovered constellations in the Space Dome, before experiencing the exhibitions.

What a wonderful day Year 5 had at Jodrell Bank.

Special Mention Award

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



Jude, Emily, Sophia, Teddy

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Percy, Louie, Grace

Gold Medal Award

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



Thomas, Hugo, Noah

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Ted, Louis, Isaac, Evie

Best Book Award

Congratulations to our Best Book Award winners
this week.



Arthur, Ivy, Nora

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Noah, Hugo, Charlotte



Every Day Counts....



Attendance

Please find below the attendance percentage for each year group this week:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
97.8%	95.7%	98.7%	96.5%	97.9%	96%	97.3%

Overall attendance for this week was 97.1%, which is higher than the expected attendance of 96.7%



Punctuality!

This week we had **14 late arrivals** to school. Please remember, being late for school causes disruption for the child's day, for the class and for the teacher.

Our Welcome Gate is open each day from 8.45am.

Be in line for five to nine!