



14th March, 2025

Attendance Update

Thank you to our families for supporting our Attendance policy. A **punctual start to the day is also very important**, as lessons start as soon as children arrive to their classes. Being only 5 minutes late for school, leads to children missing key learning opportunities.

Attendance and Punctuality Week Ending 7th March 2025

Reception – 99.3 %

Year 1 – 100%

Year 2 – 96.5 %

Year 3 – 96.6 %

Year 4 – 91.6 %

Year 5 – 92.6%

Year 6 – 97.2 %

**Overall whole school
attendance for this
week is 96.2%**

If your child is absent from school, please ring the school office before 9:15am and report the reason for the absence.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 18th March Y5 & Y6 Reconciliation Service

To be held at St. Gregory's (including Y5 First Confession)

Tuesday 18th / Wednesday 19th March Parents' Evenings

Thursday 20th March Reception Screening for Height, Weight, Vision and Hearing

Tuesday 25th March Year 5 and Year 6 at Maricourt for Frozen production

**Friday 28th March
Curriculum Showcase for
parents to view childrens'
pieces of work.
EYFS parents invited to attend
a Stay and Play session. There
will also be a short
curriculum workshop during
the event.
Event commences at 9.00am**

*Don't forget
parents
evening!* **Tuesday 18th and
Wednesday 19th
March 2025**

The form for Parents' Evening is now closed. If you have not booked an appointment, one will be made for you and sent via the school app.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT HUB CLOSURE & NO CHOIR

The Hub (after school club) will be closed on Monday 17th March, due to staff attending training. There will be no choir on this day either.

During Parents' Evenings, due to limited space around school, The Hub should only be used if you have no other childcare facility after school.

Please do not book your child into The Hub so that you can attend your Parents' Evening appointment: this is not what the service is for.
Many thanks.

CLUBS

All clubs are very popular and have been successfully running for a few weeks now. Please remember, if your child is in a club to make your payment via Parentpay as soon as possible.
Many thanks for supporting our clubs.

Y5 / Y6 Reconciliation Service

Y5 and Y6 families are warmly invited to join us for a Lenten Reconciliation Service at St. Gregory's Church on Tuesday 18th March 2025 at 11am.
Children will walk to and from school with school staff.

Lost Uniform!

Please remember to write your child's name in all items of clothing, so that it is easier to return any lost items to the children. We will have our free uniform shop available during parents evenings, please feel free to help yourself to spare uniform.



Friday 14th March, 2025

Dear St. Gregory's School Community,

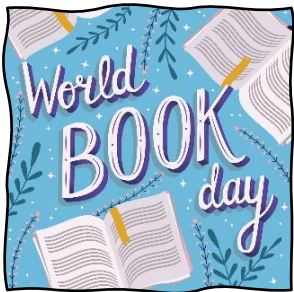
St. Gregory's continues to have a truly wonderful and vibrant atmosphere, with lots of great learning happening across all year groups. The children are engaged, focused, and enthusiastic, and the staff have been working hard to create an inspiring environment. We are looking forward to sharing the progress and achievements of our pupils at both Parents' Evening and our upcoming Curriculum Showcase morning. These events will be wonderful opportunities for you to see the fantastic work taking place in school.

Starting Our Lenten Journey Together

Last week, we began our Lenten journey together with a special Ash Wednesday Mass. It was a time of reflection and prayer as we turn our hearts back to God. Years 4 to 6 attended Mass at St. Gregory's Church alongside our friends from St. John Bosco—a truly beautiful service. Our Year 6 pupils were commissioned to administer ashes to the congregation, and they did so with such reverence and respect, both at the morning Mass and in the afternoon service for children and families at school. They even stayed behind after school to ensure families who couldn't attend were able to receive the ashes. We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 ambassadors for their leadership and for demonstrating the deep sense of service and community.



World Book Day Celebrations



World Book Day was a tremendous success! All classes were immersed in a range of reading-related activities, bringing stories to life in creative ways. Our class libraries now feature beautifully decorated story stones, each representing a different book, and children loved pairing up across year groups to share their favourite stories. There were also tremendous Book in a Jar creations, which are now dotted around school; these have been inspiring conversation starters. Our thanks for encouraging a love of reading at home—it truly makes a difference.

Exciting Developments with Our New School Library

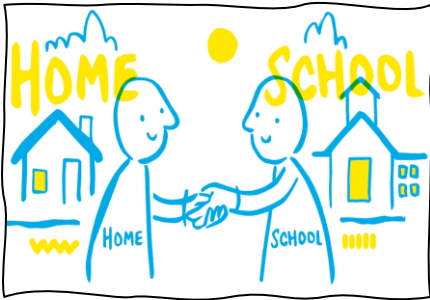
Our School Council has been hard at work this term, consulting on playground rules and how the pupil voice can be further strengthened. They have also been excitedly planning and designing our new school library, which is almost ready to be opened and enjoyed by all. The children chose a nature-themed design for the space, and we are delighted to have received beautiful new furniture that reflects this vision. With nearly 200 new books already delivered and more on the way, we are excited to create a space that will nurture a lifelong love of reading for all pupils.

Scholastic Book Fair

A huge thank you to all the families who have already visited our Scholastic Book Fair and shared in some wonderful book talk with their children. Every purchase helps to support our school, as we receive a percentage of sales to invest in our new library. The library will be available on Parents' Evening so grateful for your generosity in helping to grow our collection of books. There are many books available for free - please help yourselves.



Parents' Evening – Next Week



We are looking forward to welcoming parents into school next week for our Parents' Evenings. These meetings provide a valuable opportunity to share your child's progress and achievements and to discuss how home and school can continue working together to further support learning. While queues may sometimes build, staff will do their best to stay on time. If you feel you need a longer discussion, please don't hesitate to arrange an additional meeting.

Year 5 & Year 6 Reconciliation Service

Next Tuesday, Year 5 and Year 6 will walk to St. Gregory's Church for our Lenten Reconciliation Mass at 11am, where they will join the Year 5 and Year 6 pupils from St. John Bosco. After the service, Year 5 will make their First Reconciliation, and Year 6 will have the opportunity for Confession. This is a special moment in our Lenten journey: a time for each of us to renew our relationship with God, leaving with hearts full of peace and joy. Families are warmly invited to join us for this service.



Year 5 Shone on Their Residential Trip to York

Our Year 5 pupils were wonderful ambassadors for St. Gregory's on their residential trip to York this week. They embraced a wealth of curriculum-enhancing and life-enriching activities, from exploring Roman ruins to standing in awe at the breathtaking York Minster. They also took part in a variety of creative workshops, demonstrating their enthusiasm and curiosity. Staff were showered with compliments from both education session leaders and members of the public, who were impressed by the children's excellent knowledge, teamwork, and warm manners. We are incredibly proud of them! Heartfelt thanks also go to the dedicated staff who gave their time to make this trip such a memorable and valuable experience for our pupils.

With continued thanks for your ongoing support and partnership.
Best wishes for a wonderful weekend,

Handwritten signature of Mr. Joseph Perree.

Mr Joseph Perree
Headteacher



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St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School

Together, in Jesus, we Love, Learn, Create and Celebrate!

Dates for your Diary – Spring Term & Summer Term, 2025

**Please note that every effort will be made to adhere to the below dates, though these may change due to unavoidable or best-case circumstances. We will inform families of any changes to the below dates at the earliest opportunity.*



Spring Term 1

January

Monday 27th – Jubilee Year Launch

February

Wednesday 5th at 9.15am – Parent Workshop and Coffee Morning

Creating Positive environments to nurture positive Mental Health, Wellbeing, Learning and Partnership. All families are welcome to attend

Thursday 6th – Stay & Pray Class Worship

All families are welcome to come along and pray with your children in their classrooms.

Monday 10th – Online Safety Week

Tuesday 11th – Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 12th at 9.15am

Parent Workshop and Coffee Morning

Alder Hey Occupational Therapy Sensory Service. All families are welcome to attend.

Thursday 13th – Y3 at Norton Priory

Friday 14th – School Closes at normal finish time for half term holidays.

Spring Term 2

February

Monday 24th – School reopens for all children after half term holiday

Thursday 27th – Y2 at Tatton Park

March

Wednesday 5th – KS2 Ash Wednesday Mass
9.30am at St. Gregory's Church. All families are welcome to attend.

Wednesday 5th – Early Years/KS1 Ash Wednesday Service. Held in school from 2.30pm. Ashes available to all afterwards.

Thursday 6th – World Book Day and Lunch

Monday 10th – Y5 York Residential

Thursday 12th – Y4 trip to Liverpool Philharmonic

Thursday 12th to 19th – Scholastic Book Fair.

Parents welcome to come along and purchase books after school.

Thursday 13th – Stay & Pray Class Worship

All families are welcome to come along and pray with your children in their classrooms.

Tuesday 18th – Y5 & Y6 Reconciliation Service at St. Gregory's (including Y5 First Confession)

Tuesday 18th / Wednesday 19th Parents' Evenings. Appointments to be booked via the school app.

Tuesday 25th – Y5 & Y6 at Maricourt

for production of Frozen

Friday 28th – Curriculum Showcase

KS1 & KS2 families welcome in class to share learning; EYFS Stay and Play; Parent Workshop – 'The St. Gregory's Curriculum'

Mon 31st – EY/KS1 Mothers' Day Assembly 2.15pm

April

Tuesday 1st April – Y6 at Western Approaches

Friday 4th April – Special Mass for Y3 & Y4

Families welcome to attend.

Friday 4th April – St. Gregory's Talent Show

Friday 4th April – School Closes for Easter Holidays at normal finish time.

Summer Term 1

April

Tuesday 22nd – School reopens for all children, after Easter holidays

Wednesday 23rd – St. George's Day

Celebrations – Mufti Day (Red, White, Blue) and special Lunch

May

Thursday 1st – Reception at Martin Mere

Monday 5th – Early May Bank Holiday

School closed for all children.

Thursday 8th – Stay & Pray Class Worship

All families are welcome to come along and pray with your children in their classrooms

Monday 12th to Thursday 15th – KS2 SATs

Wednesday 21st – Y3 at Catalyst, Widnes

Thursday 22nd at 9.15am – Parent Workshop and Coffee Morning

The Graduated Approach to Supporting Children in School (includes SEND). All families are welcome to attend.

Thursday 22nd – School closes for half term holidays at normal finish time.

Friday 23rd – INSET DAY

School closed for all children.

Summer Term 2

June

Monday 2nd – INSET DAY

School closed for all children.

Tuesday 3rd – School reopens for all children after half term holidays.

Friday 6th – Y6 trip to Edge Hill University

Tuesday 10th – Y5 at Jodrell Bank

Friday 13th – Sports Day

(EYFS/KS1 9.15am and KS2 1.30pm)

Tuesday 17th – Y1 & Y2 trip to Liverpool Philharmonic

Thursday 19th – Stay & Pray Class Worship

All families are welcome to come along and pray with your children in their classrooms

Wednesday 25th – Y4 Malham residential

July

Wednesday 2nd to Friday 4th – Y6 Robinwood Residential

Tuesday 8th – Y1 at Calderstones Park

Friday 11th – Curriculum Showcase

KS1 & KS2 families welcome in class to share learning; EYFS Stay and Play; Parent Workshop.

Tuesday 15th – KS2 Production at 1.30pm for Y3 & Y5 families

Wednesday 16th – KS2 Production 10.30am for Grandparents
1.30pm for Y4 & Y6 families

Friday 18th – Leavers' Mass in school at 10am

Tuesday 22nd – School Closes at 1.30pm for Summer Holidays.