



Newsletter

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

9th May, 2025

KS2 SATs

Lets Go, Year 6!

Our amazing Y6 children will be completing their SATs next week and we couldn't be prouder of how hard they've worked! SATs will take place during each morning.

To help everyone start the day feeling calm and confident, please ensure your child gets plenty of rest, has a good breakfast and arrives to school on time.

To help support our families further, we are inviting all Year 6 children to have the option of attending our Breakfast Club **free of charge** throughout the week. It's a great chance to enjoy a relaxed start to the day with their friends.

Let's all encourage our pupils to get plenty of rest, stay positive, and remember Year 6 – you have got this!

Upcoming

Events

Monday 12th May to Thursday 15th – KS2 SATs

Wednesday 21st May
Y3 at Catalyst, Widnes

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

Friday 23rd May – INSET DAY
School closed for all children.

Monday 2nd June – INSET DAY
School closed for all children.

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

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 9th May 2025

Reception – 95.8%

Year 1 – 95.8%

Year 2 – 95.6%

Year 3 – 95.7%

Year 4 – 99.6%

Year 5 – 98.4%

Year 6 – 100%

**Overall whole school
attendance for this
week is 97.3%**

Stay and Pray

A heartfelt thank you to all parents and carers who joined us for our Stay and Pray class worship on Thursday morning. It was a truly special time to come together in prayer, reflection and community. Your presence made the occasion even more meaningful for the children, and we are grateful for your continued support in nurturing their faith journey.

Year 3 Trip

Year 3 will be visiting the Catalyst Science Discovery Centre in Widnes on Tuesday 21st May. It promises to be a fun and educational day full of hands-on science!

Please log into your Parentpay account and complete the consent form for this trip.

Year 4 Holy Communion

This Saturday, our Year 4 children will be celebrating a very special milestone, as they receive their First Holy Communion.

We are so proud of the reverence, joy and understanding they have shown in preparing for this sacred occasion. Their rehearsal this week was a beautiful reflection of their readiness, with each child participating with focus and respect.

Please keep them in your prayers as they take this important step in their faith journey. We look forward to sharing this joyful day with their families and our parish community.

Year 6 Swimming Reminder

Year 6 swimming lessons will commence on Monday 12th May, during the afternoon. Please remember to send the children in with their swimming kits. A consent form is available on the school app.

Absence Reporting

If your child is absent from school, you must contact school via telephone on the first day of the absence. You will be asked the reason for your child's absence. Follow up telephone calls from the school office will take place if the absence continues.

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School Telephone Number: 0151 526 5856
Absence Report Line: Option 1
School Office: Option 4

Computing

Year 2 welcomed Alan from Knowsley CLC back to St.Gregory's for a computing day. The lesson sparked curiosity and creativity, as the children explored the fundamentals of computing. Through interactive activities, they used logical thinking, developed their digital skills and grew in confidence navigating technology.





With joy and reverence, an announcement has been made of the election of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV.

Chosen through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, Pope Leo brings a deep commitment to faith, humility and pastoral care.

As he begins his papal ministry, we join the global Catholic community in prayer for his leadership, asking the Lord to grant him wisdom, strength and a heart filled with compassion, as he guides the Church through the challenges and hopes of our time.

Pope Leo was born in Chicago and studied at the Minor Seminary of the Augustinian Fathers. He then went on to attend Villanova University in Pennsylvania, where he received a degree in mathematics.

In his first address to the nation, Pope Leo XIV called the faithful to unity, peace and a renewed dedication to Christ in a rapidly changing world.

Dear God,

Thank you for our new Pope, Leo XIV. Please help him to lead with love, kindness and wisdom.

Give him strength to guide your Church and bring peace to the world.

May he always follow Jesus and listen to the Holy Spirit.

Bless Pope Leo and keep him safe as he cares for us all.

Amen

Reception Class Kings and Queens



Children in Reception Class have been making their own castles as part of our Kings and Queens topic.

They also made labels for each part of the castle too!

Well done Reception Class.






STARS
of the
WEEK

Congratulations to the winners of our

Gold Medal Award

Special Award

Best Book Award



Reception class children buzzed with excitement during our Celebration Assembly this week, as they proudly showed off their castles that they had created.

Each masterpiece, crafted from cardboard and paint, reflected the creativity and hard work of each young builder. Smiles beamed from their faces as they spoke about their masterpieces, explaining about the drawbridges and labels.

Well done Reception Class!



St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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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 Y5 & Y6

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

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Wednesday 21st - Y3 at Catalyst, Widnes

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

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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.