

Issue 30: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024



Dear parents, children, staff, and parishioners,



Although the sun saved its appearance until later on this week, we are hoping its presence now is a sign of all the good to come this half term with lots of opportunities for memory making including various educational visits, sporting opportunities, award celebrations and, of course, giving our wonderful Year 6 children an all-important send off as they end their St Gregory's journey!

Over the next 3 weeks, we will be beginning our end of year assessments with the children. It is important that these are done so that we are aware of where the children are as they end their time in their current year group. These results will also be used to celebrate the progress each and every one of them has made this academic year. That being said, we are not shying away from our belief that the biggest achievements from the last year will not be able to be assessed via a test paper or knowledge quiz. We know that the results will not show us which children have learnt a new skill this year, who has been a great help at home or who makes their friends smile day in and day out. Therefore, these assessments will be done in the kindest way possible and will be used to shape future learning, so that those children who are in need of a little extra support when they move up into their new year group in September will have this in place from the off.

Next week will see our **Year 1** children undertake their statutory **Phonics Testing** and **Year 4** will undertake the Government's **Multiplication Check**. We keep these children in our thoughts and prayers! All children have achieved SO much this year and should be proud whatever their outcome, as here at St Gregory's there are many ways to achieve success. For after all, "*Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all*" ~ Aristotle

# ☆ Roll of Honour ☆

This week in our Celebration Assembly, we celebrated our Shining Stars. Each teacher selected someone who has worked this week to showcase our school rules. Congratulations to all of our award winners ...

| Nursery           | Reception                                      | Year 1  | Year 2                              | Year 3                  | Year 4               | Year 5                           | Year 6                |  |
|-------------------|--|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Milagros          | Emily  | Dennison  | Diego                               | Julia                   | Ella                 | Charlie                          | Chase                 |  |
|                   | P.E. Days (come to school dressed in P.E Kits) |   |                                     |                         |                      |                                  |                       |  |
| n/a               | Tuesday &<br>Wednesday                         | Wednesday &<br>Friday   | Thursday &<br>Friday                | Wednesday &<br>Thursday | Monday &<br>Thursday | Wednesday                        | Wednesday<br>& Friday |  |
| House Po          | House Point Winner                             |   | Weekly Winner: Trinity ~ Points 216 |                         |                      | Overall Winner: Belgrade ~ 2483! |                       |  |
| Gifts and Talents |  | Deepak – Top goal scorer at his football tournament and tournament winner!<br>Maisie and Maddison – Football Tournament Winners!<br>Eliora – moving up a stage in swimming! |                                     |                         |                      |                                  |                       |  |

#### Welcome Baby Priest!

We have a new member of the St Gregory's Community to celebrate! Mrs Priest has welcomed a beautiful baby boy into the world. Baby Billy was born just before half term. Mrs Priest and her husband would like to thank all of the children at St Gregory's and their families for their well wishes! We wish them every happiness as a new family and cannot wait to meet Baby Billy soon! Such lovely news ©

# Rising Four/Five Information (New Nursery and Reception Children 2023)

There will be a meeting for parents of children allocated a place in Nursery and Reception on **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 6:00pm in the school hall.** During this meeting you will meet the staff and have an insight into being a Nursery/Reception child at St Gregory's. We will confirm the starting date in September shortly and a letter and admission pack will be available for all parents/carers soon. We have invited the school nursing team, along with our care club, uniform examples and samples of food to try from our Romero cateries.

Preparing
Your Child to
Start School

# Class Photographs on Tuesday 11th June - Uniform Needed!

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#### Holiday Requests

Please may I remind you that our school policy makes it clear that we **do not** authorise term time holidays. Can I encourage you to plan any holidays around school breaks and **not** to take children out of school during term time. Every day that your child attends school is very important. Please remember if you proceed with an unauthorised holiday, the Local Authority may be informed and issue a Penalty Notice. This is currently £60 per parent per child, to be paid within 21 days (the fine doubles to £120 per parent per child after 21 days).

We do hope that you will continue to work in partnership with us.

#### Matters Arising

If you have a concern about your child, please book an appointment to discuss with your child's class teacher by either phoning or emailing the Office to make an appointment. In the first instance — the class teacher is the first port of call. If an issue arises and it is not resolved, the next step is to see the Leader of Learning. If a matter is then not resolved — an appointment can be made with a member of the Senior Leadership team — Associate Principal (Mrs Scullion) or Executive Principal (Mrs Williams).

Please note, our Leaders of Learning manage the phases within school. These are listed below:

|            |                    | <i>yy y</i>             |                         |
|------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Leaders of | Nursery, Reception | Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 | Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 |
| Learning   | Miss Mullen        | Mrs Webb                | Mrs McCormick           |

#### Extra-Curricular Club Offer ~ Summer 2

Please see details below regarding the clubs on offer for this half term. Please use Arbor to book your child's place at these clubs.

First Session Week Beginning 10th June 2024

Final Session Week Beginning 8th July 2024

| Club                 | Day & Time                           | Year Group(s)             | Staff                        | Costing              | Booking Link |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Athletics Club       | Monday 3:20pm — 4:15pm               | Years 1, 2 & 3            | Mr Duggins                   | £10 per half<br>term | Arbor        |
| Arts and Crafts Club | Tuesday 3:20 — 4:15pm                | Years 4, 5 & 6            | Mr Duggins                   | Free Club            | Arbor        |
| Dance Club           | Tuesday 3:20pm — 4:20pm              | Years Rec, 1, 2, 3<br>& 4 | External                     | £20                  | Arbor        |
| Football Club        | Wednesday 3:20pm — 4:15pm            | Years 1, 2 & 3            | Mr Duggins & Mr<br>Lindley   | £10                  | Arbor        |
| Girls Football Club  | Thursday 3:20pm — 4:15pm             | Years 3, 4, 5 & 6         | Mr Lindley                   | Free                 | Invite Only  |
| Summer Sports        | Thursday 3:20pm — 4:15pm             | Years 4, 5 & 6            | Mr Duggins                   | £10                  | Arbor        |
| Code Club            | Thursday 3:20pm — 4:15pm             | Years 4, 5 & 6            | Mr Woollams                  | £10                  | Arbor        |
| Boys Football Team   | Football Team Friday 3:20pm – 4:15pm |                           | Mr Hastings & Mr<br>Sweatman | Free                 | Invite Only  |

# Please note that Year 2's Class Assembly will take place on Friday 14th June at 9am - Parents and Families welcome!

# Coventry Children's Mile

On Sunday we have over 50 members of our school community completing the Coventry Children's Mile Run! It is set to be a fantastic event and we wish all participants a wonderful day.

If your child has entered, you should have received an email yesterday evening with all of the details. Children have brought home their mile run t-shirt today and will need this to participate in the event on Sunday.

A reminder, St Gregory's will meet at 8.20am. Our meeting point will be as near to the Visitor Centre as possible! Keep an eye out for the sea blue t-shirts. Children will need to be present by 8.30am at the latest.



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# St Gregory's Attendance

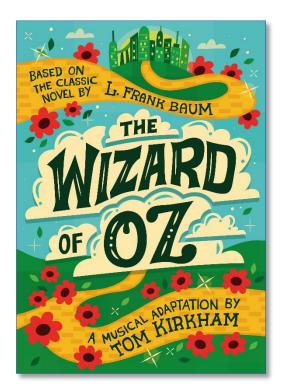
| Nursery   | 99.11% |
|-----------|--------|
| RECEPTION | 96.55% |
| YEAR 1    | 94.64% |
| YEAR 2    | 90.42% |
| YEAR 3    | 89.58% |
| YEAR 4    | 91.25% |
| YEAR 5    | 90%    |
| YEAR 6    | 94.76% |

THIS WEEK'S WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE IS

93.01%

WE ARE AIMING FOR AT LEAST 97%

| Attendance<br>There are 190 days in a school year |                        |                                |  |  |
|---|------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|
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|   | 100%                   | >>> Perfection                 |  |  |
| % equates to                                      |                        |                                |  |  |
| 4 Missed school days                              | 98%                    | <b>&gt;&gt;&gt;</b> Impressive |  |  |
| 8 Missed school days                              | 96%                    | >> Good                        |  |  |
| 9 Missed school days                              | 95%                    | >> Nearly there                |  |  |
| 11 Missed school days                             | 94%                    | >> Needs to improve            |  |  |
| 19 Missed school days                             | 90%                    | Concerns                       |  |  |
| 29 Missed school days                             | 85%                    | >>> Serious concern            |  |  |



# Year 6 introduce ... The Wizard Of Oz!

We are delighted to inform you that our Year 6 children will be performing their End of Year Production at the Albany Theatre this year! They will be performing 'The Wizard of Oz' and will be supported by our Year 5 children who will form the ensemble. It will be an amazing experience for all involved and a brilliant way to create some lasting memories of their time at St Gregory's. Their performance will take place on the evening of Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July — so please save the date! Tickets will be available shortly! This is not one to be missed!

## St Gregory's Got Talent!

Much to the children's delight, St Gregory's Got Talent will be returning this year! Children from Reception — Year 6 will have the opportunity to audition in front of their teachers and friends. 2 acts from each year group will then make it through to the final show which will be held after half term so we encourage the children to begin perfecting their acts. The auditions will take place after half term and the school council will be hosting the event this year (3)

### Nursery Places for September 2024

We have a small number of places left in our Nursery for September 2024. Our Nursery has gone from strength to strength and really is a lovely setting for children to learn and grow. We would appreciate it if you would help us spread the word to wider members of our community. If you know of anyone wishing to apply for a place, please advise them to contact <a href="mailto:admin.sg@romeromac.com">admin.sg@romeromac.com</a> or ring the school office. We can't wait to hear from them and welcome them into our school family!

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# Free School Meals — Year 2 Parents: Are You Eligible?

As many of you will be aware, as a child in Key Stage 1 your child has been entitled to a Free School Meal as part of the Government Scheme. However, this funding will cease as your child enters Year 3 in September 2024, meaning that if your child requires a school meal you will then be charged accordingly.

We would like to make you aware, however, that there is funding (if you meet the criteria) for your child to continue to receive Free School Meals as they enter Year 3.

To be eligible you would need to meet the following criteria:

If you are in receipt of:

- Income Support
- Income-Based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance
- The Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
- Asylum Seeker (Immigration & Asylum Act 1999, part VI)
- Child Tax Credit but do not receive Working Tax Credit and that my annual income is less than £16,190.
- Universal Credit and that my annual net earnings are less than £7,400.



As a school, to save you an extensive application, we are able to check eligibility and apply on your behalf for the funding. If you would like us to action this, please can we ask you to complete the following form, so that we have all the information we require: Saint Gregory's Pupil Premium Application Form.

# Week at a glance

| Date                                | Time                          | Activity  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Value and Virtue – Learned and Wise |                               |   |  |  |
| Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> June         | 8.30am<br>9.30am &<br>11.30am | Coventry Children's Mile @ Memorial Park Parish Mass at Saint John Fisher Catholic Church |  |  |
| Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June        | 9am                           | Mission Assembly  |  |  |
|                                     | All Week                      | Year 1 Phonics Screening Check  |  |  |
| Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June       | AM                            | Class Photographs   |  |  |
|                                     | 1.15pm                        | Rock Steady Lessons   |  |  |
|                                     | PM                            | Year 4 Multiplication Check   |  |  |
| Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June     | All Day                       | Year 3 Cadbury World Educational Visit  |  |  |
| Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June        | 9am                           | Celebration & Year 2 Class Assembly ~ Vocations   |  |  |
|                                     | AM                            | Year 6 Magistrates Workshop   |  |  |
|                                     | 2.45pm                        | EYFS Dad's and People we Love Reading Workshop  |  |  |
| Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> June        | 9.30am &<br>11.30am           | Parish Mass at Saint John Fisher Catholic Church  |  |  |

Have a wonderful weekend!

Megan Scullion

Mrs Scullion, Associate Principal

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# ST GREGORY'S LUNCH MENU

'Cooking with love; Providing food for the soul!'





R E D O P T I O N Y E L L O W O P T I O N BLUE PURPLE ORANGE OPTION

MON

Sausage and Mash, with Vegetables and Onion Gravy Vegan Sausage Roll with Mash and Vegetables Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans

TUE

Beef Lasagne With Garlic Bread Slice Vegetables Samosas with Rice and Baby Naan Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans

WED

Traditional Roast Meat with Roast Potatoes, Veggies and Gravy Quorn Roast Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Veggies and Gravy Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans

THU

BBQ Chicken and Vegetable Bake served with Nachos Macaroni Cheese, Mixed Seasonal Vegetables and Garlic Bread

Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans

FRI

Battered Fish or Salmon Nuggets, Chips and Beans or Peas

Cheese and Tomato Pizza and Chips with Beans or Peas Jacket Potato with Tuna/Cheese/Beans

All meals are served with vegetables and

cake or fruit of the day.

Our self-serve salad cart is also on offer which contains

bread, pasta salads/coleslaw and vegetable sticks.

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