



ST GREGORY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

“LOVING & LEARNING”



APRIL/EASTER 2015 NEWSLETTER

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



May I remind you that pupils are able to wear summer uniform after the Easter holiday

APRIL

- Monday 13** - **School re-opens**
- Thursday 16 - 9.00 am Year 2 Workshop
- Saturday 18 - 5.00 pm. Year 2 Inspire Mass
- Monday 20-24 - 'I can do it week'
- Thursday 23 - 10.00 am Year 3 Mass
- Wednesday 29 - Nursery, Reception and Year 6 photographs

MAY

- Friday 1 - 9.00 am Year 1 Class Assembly
- Monday 4** - **School closed - May Day**
- Thursday 7** - **School closed - Elections Staff Training Day**
- Monday 11-15 - SATS Week
- Monday 18 - Year 4 Bikeability
- Tuesday 19 - Year 5 Bikeability
- Wednesday 20 - Year 6 Bikeability
- 11.00 am Hagley High School Band performance
- Thursday 21 - Year 6 Bikeability
(a letter will be sent our nearer to the above dates for details on Bikeability)
- Friday 22 - 9.00 am Year 6 Class Assembly

School closes - half term holiday

LENTON APPEAL - FATHER HUDSON SOCIETY

Please remember to return your Father Hudson Appeal collection boxes after the Easter Holiday. Thank you.

ACADEMY CONVERSION

The conversion is due to take place on 1st April. The school will form part of the St Catherine of Siena Academy. This Academy Company will be a family of Catholic schools who are committed to working together and will work under the 'umbrella' of the Dominic Barberi Trust. St Gregory's will retain its own current name and distinctive identity.

CONGRATULATIONS - 'RED NOSE DAY'

Muft day raised a wonderful £324 and a special **BIG** thank you to Year 6 for all their fundraising efforts, they raised a massive £328 to be sent to Miti Mingi Primary School in Kenya.



Miti Mingi Primary School in Kenya.

St Gregory's is building links with this school and helping to fund raise to improve the education and provision for the children who attend this school. This project is currently part of Build Africa a charity based organisation that works to develop international links for schools.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thank you to all those pupils and staff who dressed as their favourite book character for World Book Day. Well done a great variety of costumes! Hope you have managed to spend your vouchers.



I _____ the parent of _____
have received the April Newsletter. Signed _____

Answer to the Quiz question is: _____

ST PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION

Thank you to all those pupils and parents who took part in our St Patrick's Day celebration after school on Tuesday 17 March. Years 3, 4 and 5 singing was wonderful, the Irish dancing a delight to watch and the School Choir were a real treat. School raised just over £140.00 from the tasty refreshments for school fund.

Thank you all.



QUIZ QUESTION

Jonathan Swift, the Dean of St Patrick's in Dublin, wrote what famous Children's novel?



MR TURVEY'S JOKE CORNER

Q: What is the most hardworking part of the eye?

A: The pupil!



ATTENDANCE FOR MARCH

Well done Year 2 for their excellent attendance although all classes overall attendance was very good.

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Overall Attendance %	96.35	97.78	96.87	96.46	94.69	91.81
Authroised Attendance %	2.92	1.81	2.92	3.54	5.21	7.97
Unauthorised Attendance %	0.73	0.40	0.21	0	0	0.22
No. of Children	30	31	29	30	30	29

SCHOOL CHOIR CONCERT

Unfortunately the School Choir concert planned for Thursday 26 March has been cancelled.

MESSY CHURCH

All are warmly invited to join us for craft, songs, stories and food at Messy Church at St Hilda's Church Hall, Abbey Road, on Saturday 29 March 3-5 p.m. This is a community event and everyone is welcome, all ages from 0-99 years.

Children must be accompanied by an adult. There is no charge for this event so bring all the family. Our theme this month is Easter.



Easter Reflection



Easter is the day when we celebrate Jesus Christ rising from the dead. Jesus is the Son of God and he gave his life to die for our sins. On the third day after He died Easter Sunday His friends went to His tomb, and found that He had risen from the dead. They saw an angel who told them, "Don't be afraid! I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He isn't here! He has been raised from the dead, just as He said it would happen."

This Eastertime let us remember that:

God loves us - The Bible says, "God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life" **Jesus offers us the gift of eternal life.**

We make mistakes - All of us have done, said or thought things that are wrong this separates us from God. We can ask Jesus Christ to forgive our sins and pray to him.

"Lord Jesus, I believe you are the Son of God.
Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins.
Please forgive my sins and give me the gift of eternal life.
I ask you in to my life and heart to be my Lord and Saviour.
I want to serve you always."

Amen