

ST GREGORY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

"LOVING & LEARNING"

OCTOBER 2012 NEWSLETTER



DATES FOR OCTOBER

Monday 1	Book Fair Week	
Tuesday 2	9.30 a.m. Year 3 Salop Market Garden	
Wednesday 3	2.00 p.m. Year 1 Pedestrian Trg.	
Thursday 4	9.00 a.m. Year 5 Inspire Workshop	
Friday 5	2.00 p.m. Harvest Festival - Harvest goods are being donated to Birmingham Fireside for the Homeless	
Sunday 7	11.00 a.m. Year 5 Mass	
Monday 8-12	'I can do it week'	
Tuesday 9	9.00 a.m. KS1 Maths Workshop	
Friday 12	Muft Day in aid of Cancer Research - Year 5	
Saturday 13	10.00 a.m. Year 4 Mass - Church 5.00 p.m. Reconciliation Presentation Mass	
Monday 15-19	'Multi Faith week'	
Thursday 18	Years 5 & 2 Singers Hill Synagogue	
Tuesday 16	9.00 a.m. KS2 Maths Workshop	
Wednesday 17	Year 4 - Hindu Temple visit	
Thursday 18	Year 1 - Mosque visit	
Friday 19	Year 6 - Mosque visit	
Monday 22-26	School closes - half term	
Monday 29	School re-opens	
Wednesday 31	Last Day for Secondary Application forms 6.30p.m. Confirmation meeting	
November		
Thursday 1	10.00 a.m. Whole School Mass at Church	
Friday 2	10.00 a.m. Year 5 Mass + Stations of the Cross	
Sunday 4	11.00 a.m. Confirmation Mass	
Mon. 5-9	Art Display - letter to follow	
Tuesday 6	9.00a.m. KS1 Reading Workshop	
Wednesday 7	6.30 p.m. Years 3 & 6 First Confessions	
Thursday 8	Year 3 Lunt Museum Coventry 9.00a.m. Yr 6 Inspire Workshop	

Friday 9	10.00a.m. Yrs.1 & 2 Mass
Saturday 10	5.00 p.m. Year 6 Presentation Mass
Tuesday 13	9.00a.m. KS2 Reading Workshop
Thursday 15	School closed - Elections

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - CRAFT FAYRE

Friday 23 November at 6.00 - 8.00 p.m. If anyone is interested in booking a table please contact the school office - £5.00 per table. We will be asking you to kindly 'bake a cake' to sell on the evening. Don't forget to come and join us.



CASH/CHEQUES IN ENVELOPES

May I remind you when sending any money into school to please put it in an envelope with your child's name, class and what the money is for on the front. Please put the correct amount in as it is impossible to return change on such a large scale. The younger children find it difficult to cope with cash in their hands. Thank you for your co-operation.



EXTRA HELP

If you require any assistance when visiting the school because of mobility, hearing or impaired vision would you please let us know.

If anyone requires information in large print form, again please let us know.

LUNCH BOXES

We like to encourage children to bring a healthy lunch box to school with a wide variety of foods. Please no sweets and no nuts as we have children with nut allergies in school.

May I remind you that it is school policy that once you have decided whether you wish your child to have a school meal or sandwiches you may only change after each half term holiday.

QUIZ QUESTION

Which X Factor Judge is mentoring the 'Groups'?

I _____ the parent of _____
have received the October 2012 Newsletter Signed _____
The answer to the Quiz Question is _____

CHRISTMAS DATES

As requested by many parents please find below a list of times and dates for November/December;

Friday 30 November School Disco - more information to follow

December

Monday 3-7 'I can do it week'

Monday 10 7.00 p.m. KS 2 Performance

Tuesday 11 10.30 a.m. Carol Concert

2.00 p.m. KS2 Performance

Tuesday 18 9.00 a.m. Foundation Play

p.m. Key Stage 1 - Christmas Tableau at Church

Thursday 20 p.m. Whole school Christmas Parties

Friday 21 9.00 a.m. Mass - School

Christmas Lunch

1.30 p.m. School closes



CHRISTMAS CARDS

Please note that there will be no individual Christmas cards in school. From 1st December posters from St Mary's Hospice will be put in each classroom. If pupils wish to send a greeting to other pupils we ask them to sign the poster and give a donation of £1.00.

This small act of kindness, sends Christmas greetings to everyone in the class and forms part of a large donation we send to the Hospice.



JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH

Years 2-6 will be going to see James and the Giant Peach at the Old Rep, Birmingham on Friday 30 November in the morning. A letter giving further details will follow.



MR TURVEY'S JOKE CORNER

Q. What comes once in a year, twice in a week, and never in a day?

A. The letter 'e'



SCHOOL BAGS

Please remember pupils should use St Gregory school bags, available from the school Office, as we have very little space available in the cloakrooms. Thank you for your co-operation.

P.E. KIT

Please ensure your child has their P.E. kit in school at all times. Pupils can also bring in an outdoor P.E. kit as it is now getting colder, dark tracksuit bottoms, top (no hoodies or zips) and a pair of trainers. Also a different pair of socks please to change into for P.E.

MUFTY DAY - FRIDAY 12 OCTOBER

Year 5 are organising a Mufty Day to raise funds for Cancer Research. Please remember to bring your £1 and leave your uniform at home!

MONTHLY REFLECTION - OCTOBER MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October 7th.

The Rosary is a prayer in which tells the story of Jesus, in four parts. We mediate on the virtues of the Life, Death, Passion and Glory of Jesus Christ and his Blessed Mother, the Virgin Mary. It owes its origin to St Dominic.

When we pray the Rosary, we say certain prayers, like the Our Father and Hail Mary. But we also remember stories that are called "mysteries." Mysteries are stories about God, and so we never know enough about them. They never get old, because they keep telling us things we never knew before.

Stations of the Cross are held on the first Friday of the month at 10.30 a.m. at church.