

November Newsletter 2022

Dear parent/carer

The second part of our Autumn term is well underway, and the children have made an excellent start to this half-term; continuing to meet the high standards in learning and behaviour that they were working at before we broke up.

Now that they are settled into routines and have started to embed those expectations in learning and behaviour once again, we look forward to a busy, but productive half-term ahead. The children are working on new themes in their learning and will continue to explore British Values and the principles of Catholic Social Teaching across all areas of the curriculum.

We will also be busy over the coming weeks, preparing for you to come into school to attend Christmas performances and preparing our Year 6 children for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Best wishes and God bless Mr C Hancox

Road Safety

After the visit we had in the summer from Local Authority Representatives, the children were tasked with creating posters to promote Road Safety. Keep your eyes peeled around the local area to see the winning designs.



Faith-filled and Hopeful

This half-term we are growing to be **faith-filled** in our beliefs and **hopeful** for the future. We are looking to help the children to grow by passing on the living and faith-filled tradition of Jesus Christ; by having persevering faith in the pupils, and by encouraging them, in turn, to have faith and hope in others.



Attendance

Congratulations to Year 3 on having the highest collective attendance for last half-term - They have also had the highest attendance since returning from the half-term break.

Overall, school attendance was at 95%.

RY	96%	
1Y	96%	
2Ү	94%	
Year 3	98%	
4Y	97%	
Year 5K	93%	
Year 5S	94%	
6Ү	95%	

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St Gregory's Before and After School provision is open from 7:30am to 8:45am every morning and from 3:25pm to 6:00pm each afternoon in the school hall or Year 3 Classroom. Our wraparound group is run by a team of friendly, caring, and experienced school staff members, each with relevant training and a full DBS disclosure check.

Breakfast Club:

- Early Start (7:30am 8:45am): £ 6.00
- Standard Start (8:00am 8:45am): £ 4.00
- Later Start (8:15am 8:45am): £ 2.00



After School Club:

- Long Session (3:25pm 6:00pm): £ 9.00
- Mid-Session (3:25pm 5:30pm): £ 8.00
- Short session (3.25pm 4.30pm): £ 4.50
- Mini Session (3:00pm 3:30pm or 3:30pm -4:00pm): £ 2.00
- After Activity Club top up session (4:30pm -6:00pm): £4.50

Extra-curricular Activities this Half-Term				
Mon	KS2 Gymnastics			
Tue	Lego Club			
Wed	Magical Math's			
Thu	KS1 Gymnastics			
Fri	Magical Math's	Chess Club	Irish Dancing	

Key Dates

- Year 1, 2 and 3 Christmas Performance -Monday 5th December (9:15am and 2:00pm)
- Year 4, 5 and 6 Christmas Performance -Wednesday 7th December (9:15am and 2:00pm)
- Reception and Pre-school Christmas Performance - Wednesday 14th December (9:15am and 2:00pm)
- Break up for the Christmas holiday Friday 16th December 2022
- INSET Day (School closed to pupils) Tuesday 3rd January 2023
- School Reopens Wednesday 4th January 2023
- *Please continue to look out for the weekly newsletter on the website for additional dates and updates

Friends of St Gregory's - PTA

Thank you to you all for donations of cakes, biscuits, and money, which contributed to an excellent beginning fundraiser for our newly formed group of parents. They raised just over £400 which is a fantastic achievement! Thank you to the team for your time and dedication.

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