



### Dear parents and carers

This weekly newsletter is to support families with a quick reminder of weekly upcoming events in school. It will run alongside all other communication between home, school and the Church.

#### Faith Life

*Our virtues this half-term are: **faith filled and hopeful***



The Primary School Wednesday Word is an outreach which shares Sunday's Gospel with all school families, in a unique way. This is a weekly Gospel 'gift' from the school to the child to take home, which then becomes a 'gift' from the child to the whole family.

<http://www.wednesdayword.org/school/index.htm>



**Advent is a time of preparation and waiting.  
Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December was Gaudate Sunday.**



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**Twitter:**



Remember to follow @GregoryPrimary to get updates of celebrations of work and events across the curriculum.



### **Sandwell Family Life Website**

Please have a look at the 'Sandwell Family Life' website (link below). The website contains links to many areas that may be of a help and support to you and/or members of family or friends.

Sandwell Family Life

<https://www.sandwellfamilylife.info/>



**Diary dates and reminders for the forthcoming week:**

**Monday 12th December:**

**Strings performance:** Children who play a strings instrument will perform some festive tunes for their parents/carers at 9.15a.m. Light refreshments will be served, financial donations always welcome.

**Charity fundraiser day** led by Class 6 and Mini Vinnie society; Children will have a chance to participate in a variety of fun activities throughout the day with money raised going to the Birmingham children's hospital. Please bring small change into school. Maximum amount to be brought in is £3. Please note your child is responsible for their own money, check it is in a clearly named purse/wallet.

**Tuesday 13th December:** Brass instruments performance: Children who play a brass instrument will perform some seasonal tunes for their parents/carers at 9.15a.m. Light festive refreshments will be served, financial donations always welcome.

**Party:** children may come to school in party clothes, with suitable footwear. During the afternoon classes will hold parties with traditional party games. We hear there may well be a jolly visitor to all the classes! The PTA are generously providing some party snacks, please do not send in any additional party food. Do check your child/children have their labelled drink bottles which can be refilled throughout the day from any of the water fountains around school.



**Wednesday 14th December:** Pre-school and Reception Classes will perform for their parents/carers at 2pm. Light festive refreshments will be available to purchase upon entry via the main school office.

**Thursday 15th December 2022:** Class 6 will lead a Mass for Classes 5S and 5K to celebrate receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation and acknowledge the end of term.

**School Christmas lunch:** The kitchen staff are cooking up a special Christmas lunch. ***Please book in the usual way as soon as possible.*** Christmas hats and small accessories may be worn with school uniform if children wish. Please remember each child is responsible for their own accessories when in school.

**Friday 16th December:** School will close for the Christmas holiday at 3.25p.m

All the staff are grateful for your continued support and would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to welcoming all children back to school on **Wednesday 4th January 2023**