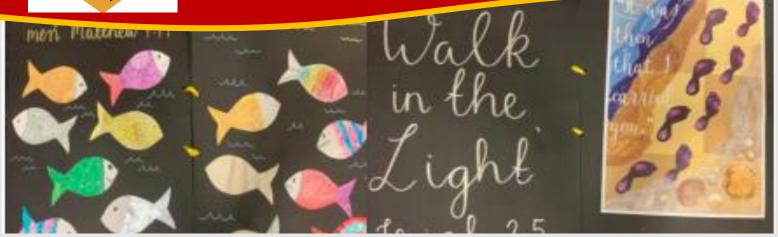


# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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"Walking together in the Light of the Lord."

## A Message from Miss Marum...

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful start to the academic year we have had at St Gregory's. The children returned ready to learn and have been working to be the best they can be. It was great to see so many families represented at Parents' Evening earlier this week – it was one of the highest turnouts in recent years. Thank you for taking the time to support your child's learning; it really does make all the difference.

We have been really pleased to welcome parents and families into school this term: at Meet the Teacher; for PTFA events; our MacMillan Coffee event and our Junior Duke Celebration. Well done to Brianna, Jayleigh, Mia, Miranda and Thandie who received their Junior Duke certificates and badges from Mrs Yuen on Wednesday. Applications for Junior Duke this year are now open.

Next term, we mark the feasts of All Saints and All Souls at the beginning of November. If you have any family members whose names you would like included in our book of remembrance, please fill out the form you will receive on Monday 31st October – the first day back.

We hope you have an enjoyable half term with your children.

Best wishes, Miss Marum

**Aspiration-Resilience-Awareness-Compassion** 

#### Growing in Faith Together

Our team of pupils from across Key Stage Two, who were

comissioned in their work by Bishop David a few weeks ago, have devised their own plan of action to encourage others to grow in faith together.

This week, some members of the team worked alongside younger pupils to plant bulbs in the new flowerbed (built by Mr Clarke) on the playground. We look forward to the springtime when these bulbs will flower.



#### **Term Dates**

#### **Advent Term**

Term starts: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Term ends: Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022

(INSET Day on Friday 21st October)

Half Term: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022-Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Term starts: Monday 31st October 2022

Term ends: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Find the calendar <u>here</u>.

#### Thank you!

Thank you for your support over the past few weeks.

The PTFA Pre-Loved Uniform sale raised just over £120, which was really impressive! The PTFA hope to hold another sale at the beginning of the Summer Term – please donate any good quality uniform if you can!

We had the highest attendance at Parents' Evening for a long time with about 85% of pupils having appointments booked for them.

#### Free Tickets!

**30 free tickets** have been reserved for St Gregory's pupils and their families on a first come, first serve basis for the match between

Northampton Town and Newport County on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

Our school's code is: STG1801

Book via the NTFC <u>website</u> remembering to add the code at the top of the page. The code expires on 28<sup>th</sup> October, so be quick!

A guide for how to book has been sent to all parents via ParentMail.

#### Off with her Head!

Pupils in St Cecilia and St Catherine of Siena classes have been learning about Tudor times in England, exploring the life of Henry VIII and his wives. As part of their home learning, they have been

researching and designing their own Tudor houses, taking care to show their most distinctive features, particularly the black and white look due to their exposed wooden frames. We are so impressed with the overall effect of all of these and the effort and determination from the pupils (and their families!) to create them.



#### **Northants Litter Wombles**

We were delighted to welcome Kevin from the Northants Litter Wombles to St Gregory's last week.

He delivered an assembly to highlight the importance of litter make our world a better place.

The children were amazed at the facts he shared, for example, did you know that it takes between 75 and 120 years for a crisp packet to decompose once it has been thrown on the floor?!

We plan for our own team of Eco-Warriors to work with the Northants Litter Wombles to conduct a litter pick in our local area; showing their care for our common home.

Keep your eyes peeled in the coming weeks for the launch of the Eco-Warriors' competition to encourage others to be great stewards of the Earth.



### Northampton Town Match

Following the success of the Lionesses over the Summer, we are keen to promote and support the women's game. We know that lots of our girls in school are excellent sports people and hope that you are able to support the Northampton Town Women's team this season.

