

# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

End of term letter
Advent
December 2022

Dear Parents, Children and Carers,

As the term draws to an end we can look back at the many achievements of this term. So much has happened and we have so much to be thankful for. The OFSTED Inspectors visiting, gave our community the opportunity to share all that is great about our school and we were delighted they were impressed with what everyone has achieved.



As we have journeyed together through Advent, we have had a number of events, all of which, have been stunning and the quality of experiences for the children has been second

to none! Thank you to all those who contributed to the fantastic Nativity, "A King is born", Nursery Carols and the Advent Reflection Service. For our younger children the travelling crib has been welcomed into many of your homes. Thank you for sharing the photos with us. Your support with the Link to hope shoebox appeal, means that the many shoeboxes we made are on their way to Ukraine to spread happiness to families. The proceeds from the Christmas Jumper day have contributed to making 25 Bags of Love as part of the Northampton Caritas Christmas Appeal. These will be given to local families in need. Thank you also for all the donations for the Northampton Health Charity, The many gifts will be given to





As parents, you have chosen to send your child to a Catholic school because faith is important. I hope you have found the last month good preparation for Christmas and good reason as to why you chose to send your child to a school with faith. We could not do what we do without the support of our Parishes. On behalf of us all – I wish Father Andrew, Fr Brendan and all in the Parishes of Sacred Heart and St Gregory's a very happy Christmas and every good wish for 2023

children spending Christmas in hospital. So many special memories

we have made over this Advent period.



#### Thank you

We are blessed to have such a supportive and active PTA, who work tirelessly behind the scenes as well as providing fantastic opportunities and experiences for our children. I sincerely thank you all for everything you do.

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'Walking Together in the Light of the Lord'

Thank you also to our dedicated team of Governors who have given so generously of their time this term, to advise, challenge and support the school moving forward. Your help has been invaluable.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff for their commitment, drive and contributions this term. I am privileged to have such a wonderful team here.

### Staffing update

At the end of term, we say goodbye to Miss Ulyatt. After many years at St Gregory's, Miss Ulyatt is ready to embark on her next adventure. Miss Ulyatt has been such a valued member of the team here at St Gregory's and many children have benefitted from her care and guidance over the years. We also say goodbye to Miss Birch who has only been with us a short while, we thank her for her care of our children during this short time. Thank you to both Miss Ulyatt and Miss Birch for their service to the school and wish them both the very best.

#### **Uniform Check**

Thank you to all the children who always wear the correct uniform. Unfortunately, some children are continuing to wear the incorrect uniform. Here are just a few reminders about our Uniform policy – it is non-negotiable, so please ensure that in January your children wear the following:

Boys' Winter Uniform	Girls' Winter Uniform
Named white Polo Shirt	Named white Polo Shirt
Named jumper with school logo	Named jumper with school logo
Grey or white socks, grey trousers	Named grey skirt, pinafore or
Black shoes (not trainers or shoes	trousers (not fashion trousers see
with a sports logo / not boots)	note below) White socks, grey tights,
	black shoes (not boots)
Trousers Plain tailored to the ankle with no additional decorations. No	

Trousers Plain tailored to the ankle with no additional decorations. No tight fitting trousers, legging type trousers.

Thank you for your support in ensuring our children look distinctive and smart at St Gregory's Catholic Primary School.

Thank you for your continued support for our school. Working in partnership with our parents and carers will ensure that our children receive the very best education that they can at St Gregory's Catholic Primary School.

May I wish you all a happy and holy Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all in the New Year when school returns on **Wednesday 4**<sup>th</sup> **January 2023**Yours Sincerely

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