

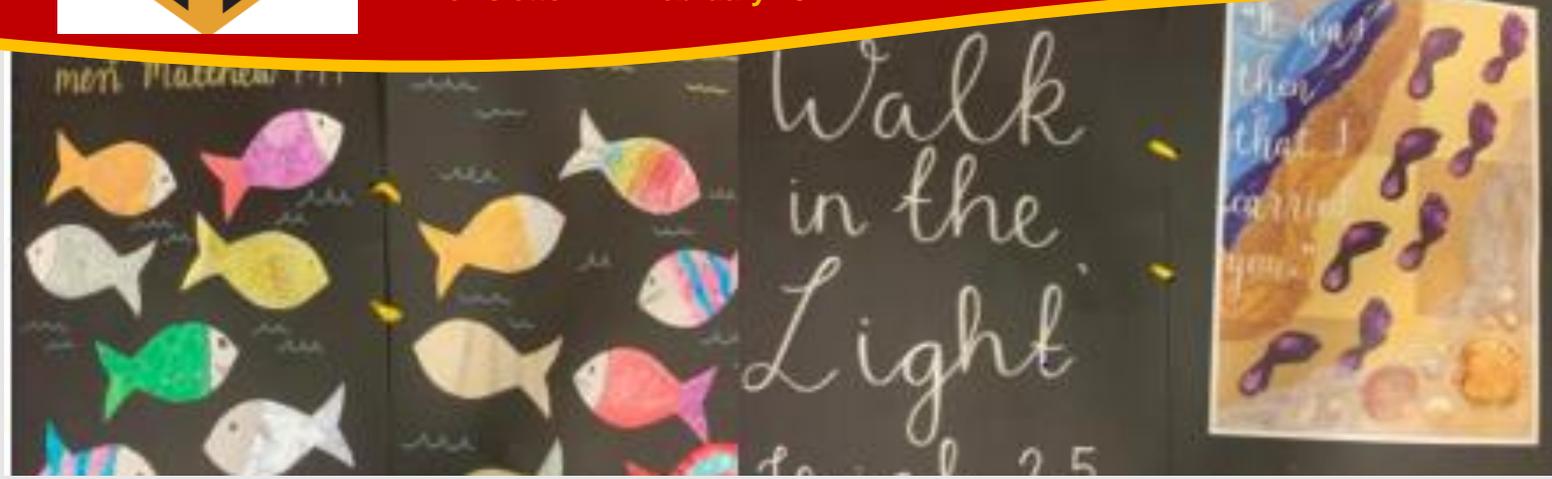


St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Newsletter 11th February 2022



"Walking together in the Light of the Lord."

A Message from Mrs Yuen...

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy half term we have had at St Gregory's with many joys and successes being celebrated. Over the past two days, we have celebrated the Gold Stars for this term: Victoria, MacKenzie, Noah, Isla, Leo, Patrick, Arianna, David B, Daniel A, Lexi and Eden. Perseverance, resilience and effort in learning, aspiring to do well and awareness of and compassion for others were key themes that shone through in what the staff shared about their pupils achieving this accolade.

It has been a wonderful term too for the PTFA, who have organised and supported so many events. The Winter Warm Up was held after school today and information about the School Disco has been sent to parents.

We look ahead to next term, where we will celebrate Two's Tuesday on 22/2/22 and mark the season of Lent. We also hope to be able to invite parents into school for our Book and Biscuit events for each year group as part of our celebrations for World Book Day.

We hope you enjoy time with your children over the next week for half term and look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 21st February.

**Best wishes,
Mrs Yuen**

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British Values

This term, the School Council and PSHE Ambassadors have been revisiting their learning about British Values and considering the importance of displaying these behaviours in school. This week, they have led assemblies to teach the rest of the school about mutual respect. During the assembly, the school leaders challenged their peers to think about how they can show respect to all and gave them time to reflect on how we might do this as a school community. Well done to all the school leaders who participated and for learning their lines so well!



Term Dates 2021-22

Lent Term

Term ends: Friday 11th February 2022
Half Term: Monday 14th February 2022 - Friday 18th February 2022
Term starts: Monday 21st February 2022
Term ends: Friday 1st April 2022

Pentecost Term

Term starts: Tuesday 19th April 2022
Term ends: Friday 27th May 2022

Half Term: Monday 30th May 2022 - Friday 3rd June 2022

Term starts: Monday 6th June 2022
Term ends: Thursday 21st July 2022
(Please note this revised day, which takes into account the extra day given for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee)

Find the full calendar [here](#).

Swimming Stars

The children in Mrs Iqbal's class and Miss Forrestall's class have enjoyed attending swimming lessons at Barry Road swimming pool since September.

Lots and lots of certificates were awarded to pupils in these classes for their achievements in their swimming lessons, which was wonderful to see.

From Friday 25th February, these children will have PE each Friday.

Exciting News!

We are in the fortunate position to be able to heavily invest in the Outdoor Learning Areas, outside the Reception and Year 1 classrooms.

In the middle of March, the redevelopment will begin, to ensure that these areas are better suited to supporting the children's learning in line with the new EYFS curriculum and beyond.

Please find the designs for the new areas on the third page of this week's newsletter – we are really looking forward to the work getting started!

Frozen Kingdom

This term, Year 6 have been studying the coldest regions on Earth in their Geography lessons. St John Paul II class have linked this learning to their work in Art; practising their sketching skills to great effect when detailing Arctic animals.



Melissa's Arctic Wolf



Victoria's Arctic Seal



Emmanuel's Arctic Fox

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Reception and Year 1 Outdoor Area Redevelopment Plans

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