

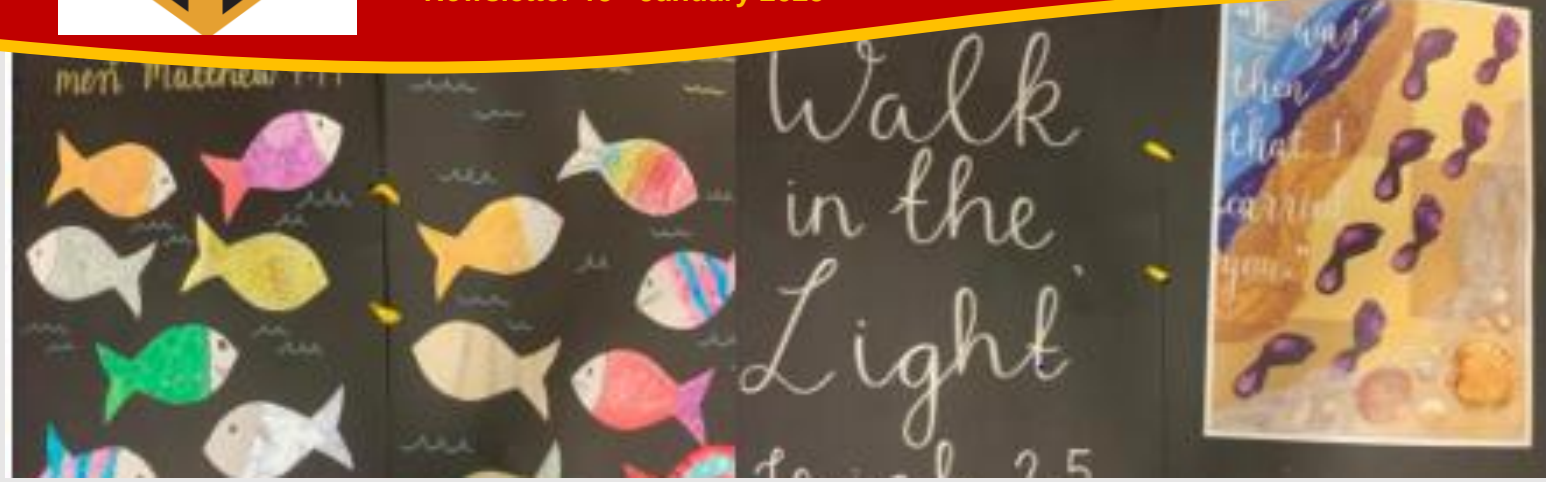


St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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"Walking together in the Light of the Lord."

A Message from Miss Marum...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school! We have enjoyed our first full week back together in school – even if being 'back to the usual routine' has come as a surprise! We have many new pupils who have started in Nursery over the past few weeks, we welcome them and their families to our school community.

At the end of last week, we marked the Feast of the Epiphany in school with Mass celebrated by Fr Andrew on Thursday afternoon and, on Friday, a very informative assembly from Miss Williams, where everyone's mathematical brains were tested!

We were pleased to welcome Carole and Catherine from Gregory Care to school on Monday. We thank them for their time and look forward to supporting Gregory Care this term and beyond.

Looking ahead to next week, parents are invited to pop into their child's classroom on Wednesday evening from 3.30pm to have a look at their books. Information for this has been sent via ParentMail and on Friday we ask that all pupils in St Cecilia Class and St Catherine of Siena Class arrive at school at 8.35am so that we are able to leave for our visit to the Cathedral on time. We will attend Mass at the Cathedral at 9.30am on Friday, please do feel free to join us.

We hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

Best wishes,

Miss Marum

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Gregory Care

On Wednesday, we welcomed Carole and Catherine from Gregory Care to our school. First, they met with the GIFT Team and then with St Claudine Class as part of their topic in RE: Community.

Carole and Catherine shared the Gregory Care's mission and the children in both groups asked questions about the work they do to support people who are vulnerable in the community. The GIFT Team asked if there were any ways that they could support Gregory Care and, at their next meeting, the group will share the ideas they have had.



Term Dates

Lent Term

Term starts: Wednesday 4th January 2023

Term ends: Friday 10th February 2023

Half Term: Monday 13th February 2023-Friday 17th February 2023

Term starts: Monday 20th February 2023

Term ends: Friday 31st March 2023

Pentecost Term

Term starts: Monday 17th April 2023

Term ends: Friday 26th May 2023

Find the calendar [here](#).

Exploring the Earth

St Bernadette Class have been exploring the layers of the Earth and their different features. The children looked at a diagram of the Earth and added annotations to show where the crust, mantle, inner core and outer core are located.

The children particularly enjoyed learning about how hot it is below the Earth's surface (reading 4-digit numbers too!) and practised using other key vocabulary such as magma and lava. The children used their reading retrieval skills to write about the Earth's layers.

Healthy Snacks

Our children are learning about how to keep their bodies healthy. Reception and Key Stage One pupils benefit from the Government's free fruit scheme each day.

[Change4Life](#) also give guidance on packing a healthy and balanced packed lunch. Please do take time to read this and the letter from Mrs Lucy, sent via ParentMail.



Amazing Astronauts

Children in St Brigid Class have been enjoying their English lessons where they are reading the book 'Astro Girl' by Ken Wilson-Max. This afternoon, the children worked in small, guided groups to use descriptive language to describe the moon and to explain what they might be able to see in Space.

The children have made some astronaut helmets too, to help keep them protected on their own journeys into Space!



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WARM WELCOME SPACES

FREE • WARM • WELCOMING • SAFE

MONDAY

10:00-13:00
St. Gregory's Church

18:30-20:30
Broadmead Drop In,
refreshments, TV and
board games

ALL DETAILS
CORRECT AT TIME
OF PRINTING.

PLEASE CHECK
WITH VENUES
FOR UP TO DATE
INFORMATION.



SCAN ME

TUESDAY

10:00-12:30
Just B cafe @
Broadmead (free WIFI,
hot drinks, soup & rolls
or jacket potato)

10:00-15:00
Park Ave Methodist
Church (table games,
soup and a roll, hot
drinks)

10:00-13:00
Abington Library open

13:00-15:00
Shop Zero @ URC
Headlands

14:00-17:00
Abington Library open

19:00-20:30
St Albans

WEDNESDAY

9:30-11:00
Café @ St Albans

9:30-14:30
St Gregory'
(refreshments, soup
& rolls)

SUNDAY SERVICES

10:00-12:30
Broadmead Community Church

10:00 St Albans

9:00 & 11:00 St Gregory's

10:00 Christchurch

THURSDAY

10:00-12:30
Just B cafe @
Broadmead (free
WIFI, hot drinks, soup
& rolls or jacket
potato)

10:00-13:00
Abington Library open

13:00-15:00
Shop Zero @ URC
Headlands

14:00-17:00
Abington Library open

FRIDAY

9:30-12:00
Foodbank & Café @ St
Albans

10:00-15:00
Abington Avenue URC

SATURDAY

11:00-13:00
Shop Zero @ URC
Headlands

10:00-13:00
Abington Library open

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