

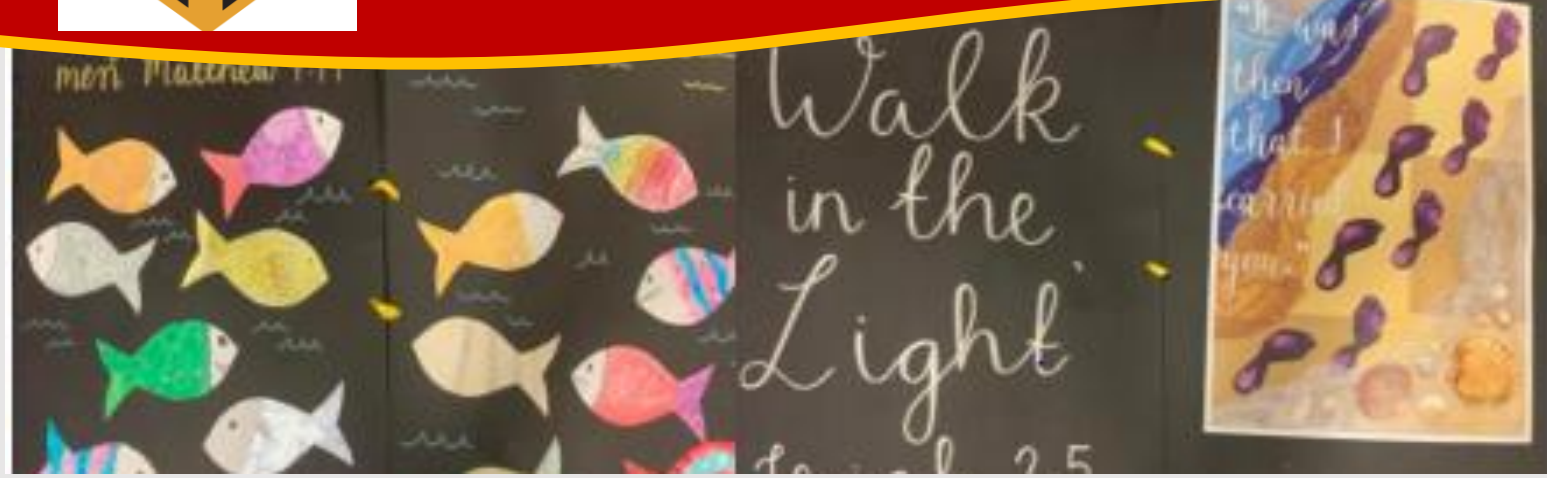


# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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***“Walking together in the Light of the Lord.”***

## ***A Message from Mrs Yuen...***

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a brilliant term we have had! We are delighted that government guidelines this term allowed us to welcome you all into school on several occasions so far this academic year: to meet your child's Class Teacher back in September, for our MacMillan Coffee event, Parents' Evenings, our Book Look in November and finally for the Christmas Performances. Well done to all our pupils and staff for their work towards these and thank you to all the families who have supported these.

This term, we have also been able to enrich the curriculum with visitors and external visits, which have provided those memorable learning experiences for our children; most recently, Year 6's WWII Day and Year 1s trip to Abington Park. We have lots planned for next term too!

We wish Mrs Keeling our very best wishes as she begins her Maternity Leave and wish Mrs Kyriakides and Mrs Bech lots of luck as they move on. We welcome Miss Lee to our Administrative Team. Year 2 gave their new teacher, Mrs Hardwick, a wonderful welcome on Tuesday when she spent the day with them.

Thank you to all our families for your support this term; it is wonderful to work in partnership with you. We have received wonderful feedback from so many people over the course of the term and your generosity towards our charities this term has been overwhelming. We wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and look forward to welcoming all the children back to school next term on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January.

**Best wishes,  
Mrs Yuen**

**Aspiration-Resilience-Awareness-Compassion**



## World War II WOW Day

Year 6 participated enthusiastically in our WWII Day this week! During the day, they learned about the start of the war in Europe, how other countries became involved and how the war ended. They were very surprised to learn how little food was available during the period of rationing. They tried their hand at bomb disposal activities (not easy!) and researched the Blitz. In the afternoon, the children examined different forms of ammunition and tried a code breaking exercise. Everyone had great fun and the day was very informative. Thank you to Portals to the Past who visited.



## Term Dates 2021-22

### Advent Term

Term ends: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

### Lent Term

Term starts: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Term ends: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022

**Half Term: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2022 - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

Term starts: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2022

Term ends: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022

### Pentecost Term

Term starts: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Term ends: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022

**Half Term: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022 - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022**

Term starts: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Find the full calendar [here](#).

## KS1 Reading Raffle

We have run a reading raffle in KS2 this term. Children gain raffle tickets depending on the number of times they have read at home (with a comment in their Home-School Link Book.)

Six winning raffle tickets were selected in this morning's assembly. Well done to this term's winners: Antonia, Cody, Daisy Mae, Daniel A, Lily Ann and Mary.

We are looking forward to rolling out the Reading Raffle across the school next term.

## Nursery Carols

Our Nursery Class gave a wonderful performance of Christmas Carols on Monday in the Emmaus Room. We were all so impressed with their confidence as they performed in front of so many of their family members.

We hope you enjoyed it!



## Children of the World

We are delighted that government guidelines allowed us to invite families to watch the Nativity Production.

Well done to the pupils and teachers for all their hard work and who sacrificed the dress rehearsal for additional performances! We are pleased that the current Year 3 and Year 4 pupils have had the opportunity to perform after missing out last year. So many song words and lines were learned and performed with enthusiasm!

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