

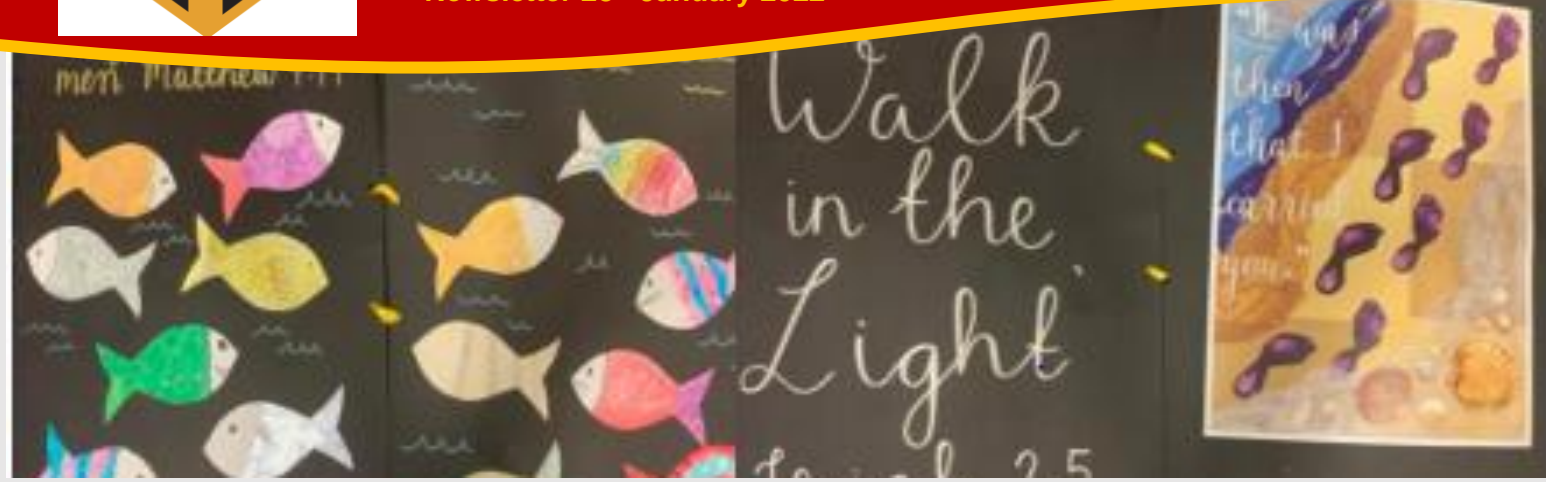


# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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***"Walking together in the Light of the Lord."***

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

After what seems like a long, cold winter, welcome signs of Spring are starting to appear around the school grounds in the shape of green shoots and snowdrops. As January comes towards its end, we are all looking forward to warmer and lighter days.

It has been quite an extraordinary week at St Gregory's, with a variety of activities happening to support learning and the week has culminated in a partial power cut today. We didn't let it deter us and learning continued with little interruption!

Earlier in the week, our choir were visited by two members of NMPAT, who led them in a workshop teaching them the songs for the Big Sing – an annual choir event that brings schools together to perform as one large choir on the stage of the Derngate Theatre. More information will follow about this in the coming days. In addition to this, several of our pupils have been excellent role models speaking to governors about their learning and their experiences in school. Well done to them all!

We hope you enjoy your weekend.

**Best wishes,  
Mrs Yuen**

**Aspiration-Resilience-Awareness-Compassion**



## Ssssshhh...said Miss Forrestall and Mrs Iqbal!

In St Claudine and St Faustina classes this week, we planned and conducted an experiment to test which materials are most effective at soundproofing noise.

We worked in groups with a pot of plastic counters and a range of different materials including tin foil, newspaper, cling film and bubble wrap. We wrapped the pot in layers of these materials and recorded how loud the sound of the counters was when the pot was shaken after adding each layer. We shared our findings and concluded that the bubble wrap was the most effective material for soundproofing.



## Term Dates 2021-22

### Lent Term

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  
Term ends: Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> 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](#).

## Two's Day Tuesday!

Our PTFA are running a fundraising event to mark 'Two's Day Tuesday' on 22/2/22.

We ask all children to bring in as many 2p coins, 20p coins and £2 coins as they can to help their class raise the most money for the PTFA's next projects.

The winning classes will be rewarded with 22 minutes each on the Adventure Playground – a prize we know that they will all enjoy!



## Winter Wonderland!

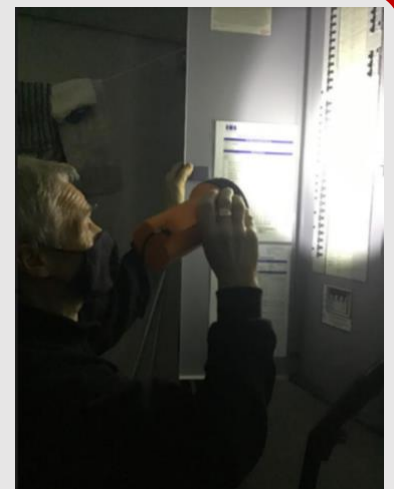
Our topic in Nursery this term is 'Winter Wonderland' The children have created pictures of day and night, fireworks and the moon. They have been learning through play, using small world resources and experimenting with ice and foam.



## Let there be light!

**Well done to all of our staff and pupils today!**

Although lots of our areas in school were without light, electricity or both, we have managed to keep learning going across the school! Some children worked in different areas to usual and they saw it as an exciting opportunity!



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