

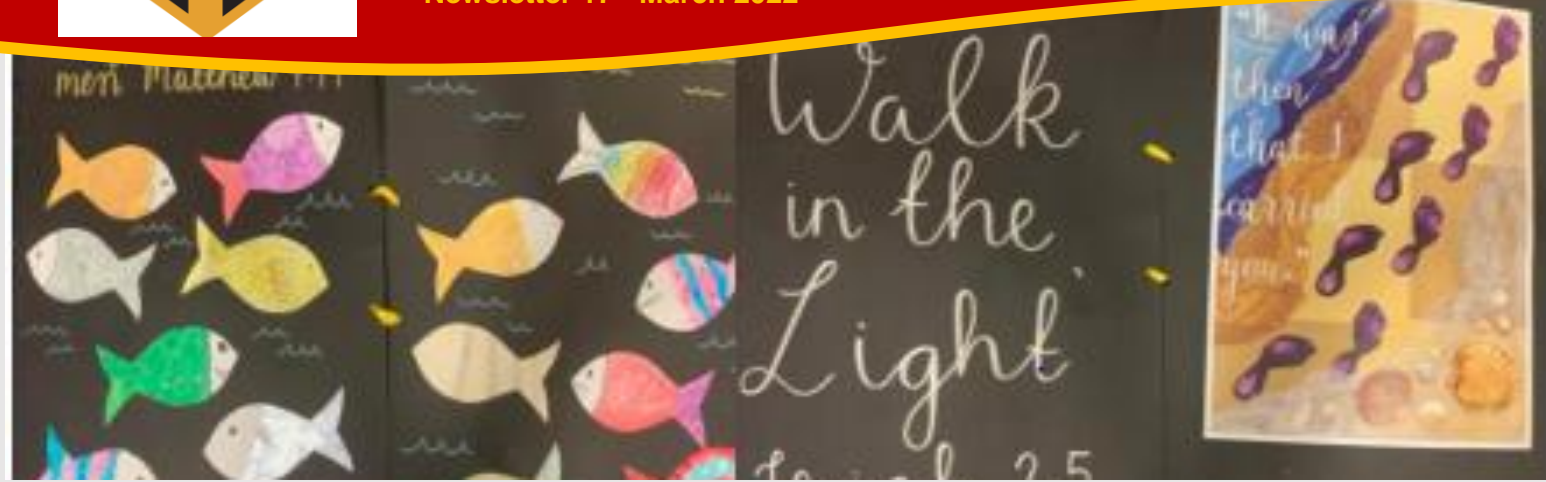


St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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“Walking together in the Light of the Lord.”

A Message from Mrs Yuen...

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was wonderful this week to be a part of the Lenten Reflection at the Cathedral on Tuesday evening, along with representatives from the three other Catholic schools in the town of Northampton. Thank you to Amy, Beatrix, Brianna, Caelan, Ceres, Coco, Danielle, Ellis, Evie, Jessica, Kian, Laci, Miranda, Nhyira, Nona and Raphaela for representing St Gregory's as part of the choir and in the readings. Thank you, too, to all the pupils and families who represented our school in the congregation. It was wonderful to have you all there.

We thank all families who support their child's education by arriving to school on time. We remind all families that the expected arrival time to school for all pupils is between 8.45am and 8.55am so that children enter their classrooms ready for registration.

Our Lenten prayer bags have been a big success with our pupils across the school; we hope you have enjoyed being led in prayer by your children. They have been very keen to tell us all about it too!

At the end of last week, we bid farewell to Miss Stimpson, who completed her placement with us. Our Year 6 pupils have thoroughly enjoyed having her working alongside them. This week, we have welcomed Miss Donnelly to our staff team, who will be working in our Nursery class.

The sun is shining at last – great for Science Week, which we will report about next week – and looks to be here to stay for a few days. Enjoy a beautiful and bright weekend!

**Best wishes,
Mrs Yuen**

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Lenten Reflection

Tuesday gave us the chance to mark the season of Lent as part of the Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Academies Trust. We were delighted to have the opportunity, once more, to come together with fellow pupils from St Mary's, The Good Shepherd and Thomas Becket Catholic School as part of our journey to Easter. So many of our pupils and staff represented our school at the Cathedral enjoying beautiful singing and clear reading as we followed Jesus' sufferings through the Stations of the Cross. The quality of the pupils' contributions, as well as their attitude during the service, was outstanding.



Well done and thank you to all the pupils who attended.

Term Dates 2021-22

Lent Term

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](#).

St Patrick's Day

The school was a sea of green on Thursday – who knew there were so many shades of one colour! Thank you to St Patrick Class who gave an informative assembly about their class saint earlier in the week: their shamrocks were lovely! Thank you to all the families who supported CAFOD and/or our Ukraine appeal by way of donations. We know that your contributions will be appreciated. Coombs' Colouring Competition was won by Edwin in Year 4 – congratulations Edwin!

Gaelic Football at St Gregory's

In recent weeks, Year 6 have been visited by Mr Dermot Thornton each week during PE. Mr Thornton has been teaching Gaelic Football. His sessions have been engaging and pupils have expressed an interest in joining our local Gaelic Football Club: Sons of Erin.

For further information about joining, please email:

sons.of.erin@groups.facebook.com



Outdoor Area Redevelopment

The time has (finally!) come for the Reception and Year 1 outdoor area redevelopment – after a slight delay! From Monday, contractors will be working in these areas. We are assured that disruption to pupils and the school community will be kept to a minimum, but the school site will be slightly busier than usual. Please take particular care in the drop off zone each morning.

Our Reception Class, St Brigid, will continue to use the Reception gate to enter and exit the classroom, but we do ask parents to wait outside the green wire fencing.

Our Year 1 pupils will enter using their usual gate, but will use the 'corridor door' to enter the school building once the redevelopment begins in their area. Mrs Hamilton and Mrs Welsh's class will use this door to exit each evening and Miss Jackson's class will be dismissed from 'The Studio' the final classroom on the main playground side. We will ensure there are signs and people to help direct you. Please do keep an eye on your ParentMail for any changes to this plan.

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