

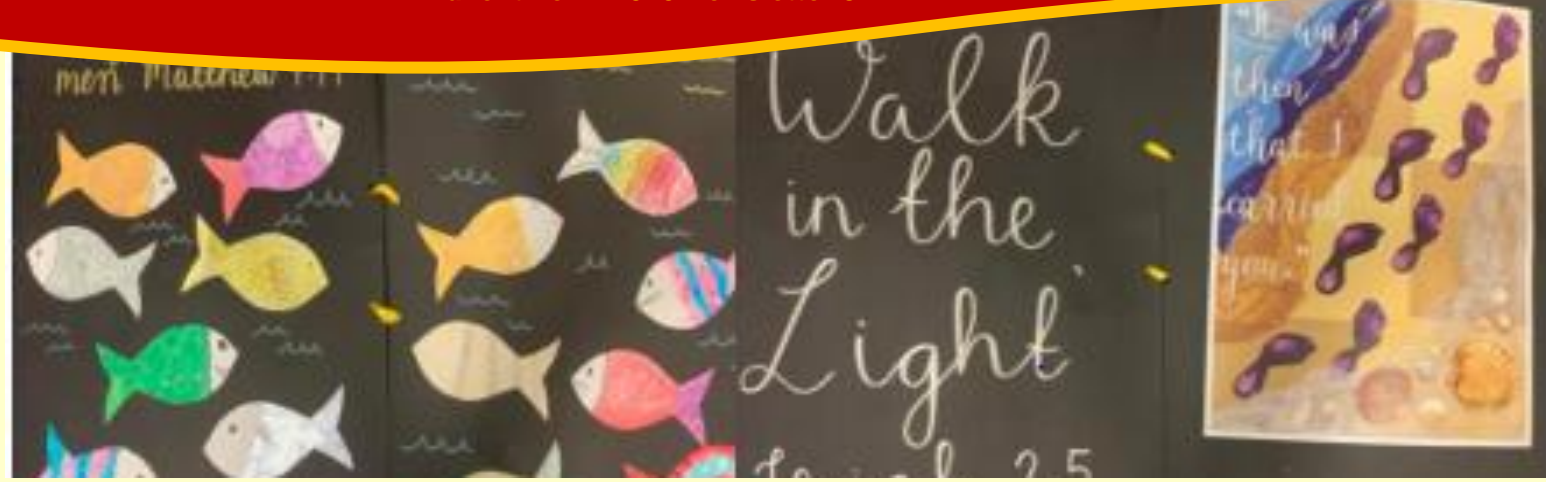


# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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St Gregory's Catholic Primary School  
*"Walking Together in the Light of the Lord"*

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now well and truly into November. The days are shorter and it is darker earlier. The beautiful autumnal colours fill the landscape within the school grounds. We usually walk by without noticing, but yesterday I stopped to appreciate the sight and remembered as a child playing in the leaves and collecting conkers. During this new lockdown it may be an opportunity to appreciate and enjoy the simple things that may have lasting memories.

We have had a great response to the "Around the World Competition" – it has been wonderful to see the amazing entries. What talent we have within our school family! I know some children are finishing their entries; therefore, I will still accept late entries given in on Monday.

Thank you for continuing to support keeping everyone safe.

Take care and have a good weekend.

**Warmest Regards,**

**Mrs Yuen**



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## Year 4 – Performing Poetry

Year 4 performed 'We are Going on a Bear Hunt', using the Outdoor Classroom as their stage. The children each learnt a verse of the poem and performed it in groups using actions and the natural environment to enhance their performance. The children learnt how to project their voices and realised that without looking at the audience it was harder to be heard.



## House Points

This week we have had been working hard to gain as many House Points as possible. There is an assembly with Atomic Tom – the Scientist - up for grabs!

**More 1652**

**Becket 1690**

**Alban 1712**

**Fisher 1738**

## Healthy Lunchboxes - NHS website Change4Life

### Lunchbox Guidelines

A portion of starchy food, eg. Wholegrain roll/bread, sesame seed pitta bread, plain crackers, pasta or rice salad. Fresh fruit and vegetables, Apple/orange/banana, cherry tomatoes, carrot sticks, mini fruit chunks, etc. A portion of milk or dairy food, eg. Cheese, plain/fruit yoghurt, etc.



A small portion of lean meat, fish or alternative, eg. two slices of ham, chicken, beef, Quorn, cheese, tuna, egg or hummus, etc.

A drink – fruit juice (not fizzy or diluted squash), water (not flavoured), milk (not flavoured).

**Allergies** We have children in school who have severe allergies to nuts/peanuts. It is very important that children do not bring nuts/peanuts to school so that we can provide these children with a safe school environment. Thank you!

## Staffing Update

We will keep Mrs Lucy and Mrs Neal-Gonzalez and their families in our prayers as they both embark on maternity leave and await their new arrivals!

From 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020 Mrs Carroll will no longer be working at St. Gregory's. She has asked me to pass on the following message to you all: *"It has been a privilege to work with you and to get to know you all; St Gregory's really is a wonderful community and I thank you for welcoming me into it so warmly. I wish you all the very best for the future."*

I'm sure you will all join me in giving Mrs Carroll our best wishes for the future.

## Term Dates

### Autumn Term

Term Starts:

Thursday 3 September 2020

### Half Term:

26 - 30 October 2020

Term Ends:

Friday 18 December 2020

### Spring Term

Term Starts:

Tuesday 5th January 2021

### Half Term:

Monday 15 - 19 February

2021 Term Ends:

Wednesday 26 March 2021

### Summer Term

Term Starts:

Monday 12 April 2021

### Half Term:

31 May - 4 June 2021

Term Ends:

Friday 16th July 2021

## Maths Week

As next week is Maths Week in England, Timestables Rock Stars are running a competition whereby one point is gained for every correct answer. If you have a child in Years 3 – 6 please encourage them to use Times Tables Rock Stars as much as possible – details of this competition will be shared with the children on Monday!





## *Around the World Competition*

**Draw a picture or make a model  
of a famous landmark or building**



*You should also name the place or building and say where in  
the world it can be found.*

**Entries to Mrs Yuen by:**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

*Each entrant will receive a certificate*

*Prizes to be won for the winning entries.*

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