

# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents,

This week I have enjoyed spending time in classes and seeing the progress that the children are making across the curriculum.

On Wednesday we had a special day to launch The Year of The Word, where the whole school reflected upon the parable of The Good Samaritan, and what it really means to serve others. I hope that you enjoy looking at the fantastic examples of work from that day.

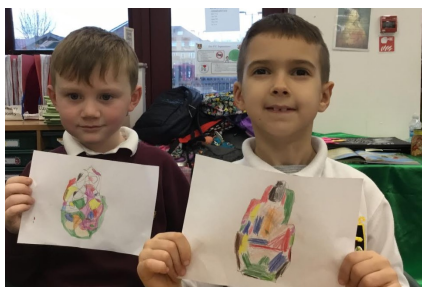
Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs K Yuen

Executive Headteacher.

## Good Samaritan Day—The Year of The Word.

To celebrate 'The Year of the Word', the children at St Gregory's took part in a Good Samaritan day. After a fact filled assembly from Mrs Yuen, explaining how the Bible is made up of many books and written by a wide range of people as well as some amazing facts to start the day, the children and their teachers explored the story of the Good Samaritan from St Luke's Gospel. In doing this they were able to celebrate, live and share God's word. Throughout the day, the classrooms were filled with many amazing activities including storytelling, video clips, writing 'eye witness' accounts, retelling the story, reflecting on the story, painting, printing and pop art. The children thoroughly enjoyed their day and the consistent message running through the school was that *'we should love everyone no matter what'* (Sophie and Finley, Year 4).



## Upcoming Events

### 5th February

Mass for the Eucharist Topic, Yr5 and Yr6, 2pm in school—parents are invited.

### 7th February

Mass for the Eucharist Topic, FS/ Yr1 2pm in school—parents are invited.

### 13th February

Year 3 visit to Flag Fen.

### 14th February

School breaks up for a Half Term Break on Friday 14th February.

### 17th and 18th March

Parents Evenings 3.30-6pm.

### 19th March

Ash assembly to parents 9.00-9.45 am

### 24th March

Recorder Concert to parents 2.30.

### **The Good Samaritan Day continued.**

Some year groups have been thinking about how, like the Good Samaritan, we can use our hands to help others. We have been using a variety of media to create hand themed art work to represent how to celebrate, share and live God's word.



### **Peer Readers**

Our Peer Readers in Key Stage Two are doing an amazing job reading with our younger children. They come most days during their lunch time and give up their time to help their younger peers. We have already noticed a difference in the younger children's reading and we are really proud that they are helping to develop our younger children's love of reading.



### **Father Jerry comes to visit**

We would like to say a big thank you to Father Jerry who came to tell Foundation Stage all about his very special and important job. Father Jerry told us all about what his job entails and he showed us what he wears when leading Mass. Father Jerry answered lots of questions which we'd spent the morning thinking of and using our phonics to write. We really enjoyed learning about Father Jerry's job and he has inspired us during our 'People Who Help Us' topic.



### **Polite Notice**

We would like to remind all parents that anyone under the age of sixteen is not allowed to collect children from the school. Thank you.