



St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School

Parents' Welcome Evening



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The Early Years Foundation Stage: Reception

There are seven areas of learning and development that shape our curriculum. All areas of learning and development are important and inter-connected.

Three areas are particularly important for building a foundation for igniting children's curiosity and enthusiasm for learning, forming relationships and thriving.

These are the **prime** areas:

- communication and language
- physical development
- personal, social and emotional development

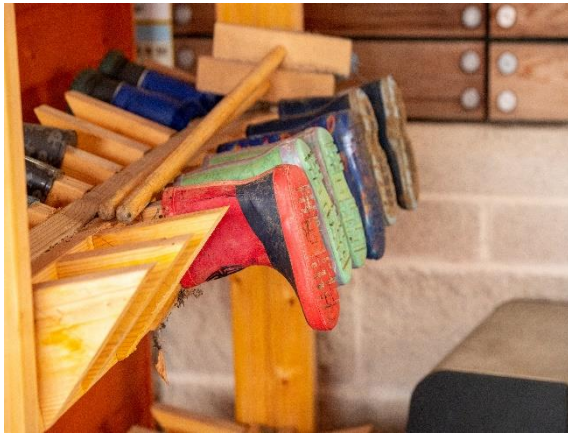
There are four **specific** areas, through which the three prime areas are strengthened and applied. The specific areas are:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the world
- Expressive arts and design

The Early Years Foundation Stage: Reception

This carries on from your child's nursery/pre-school learning journey towards the Early Learning Goals.

We plan activities and experiences for all these areas using the children's individual interests and experiences. There are opportunities for learning in both indoor and outdoor settings.



A day in the life of a Reception child at St Gregory's Catholic Primary School...



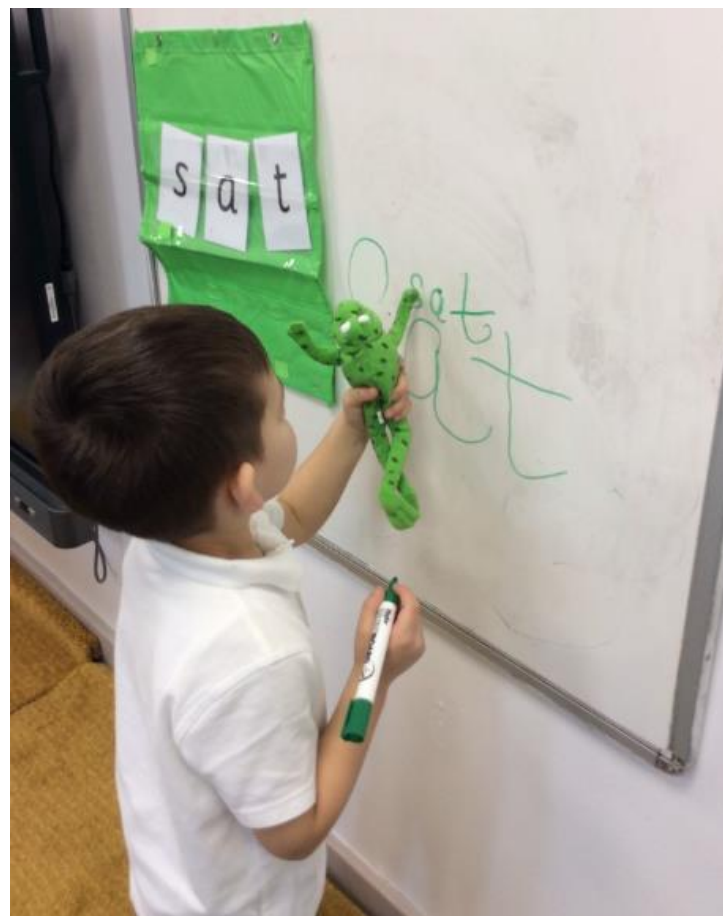
At St Gregory's Catholic Primary School, our curriculum is underpinned by a Catholic education based on the life and teaching of Jesus Christ, in which the values of the Gospel underpin all aspects of school life. We insist on the highest standards of academic achievement so that our young people leave us as 'agents of change' – educated and caring people who have the knowledge and skills they need to flourish as human beings and make the world a better place.

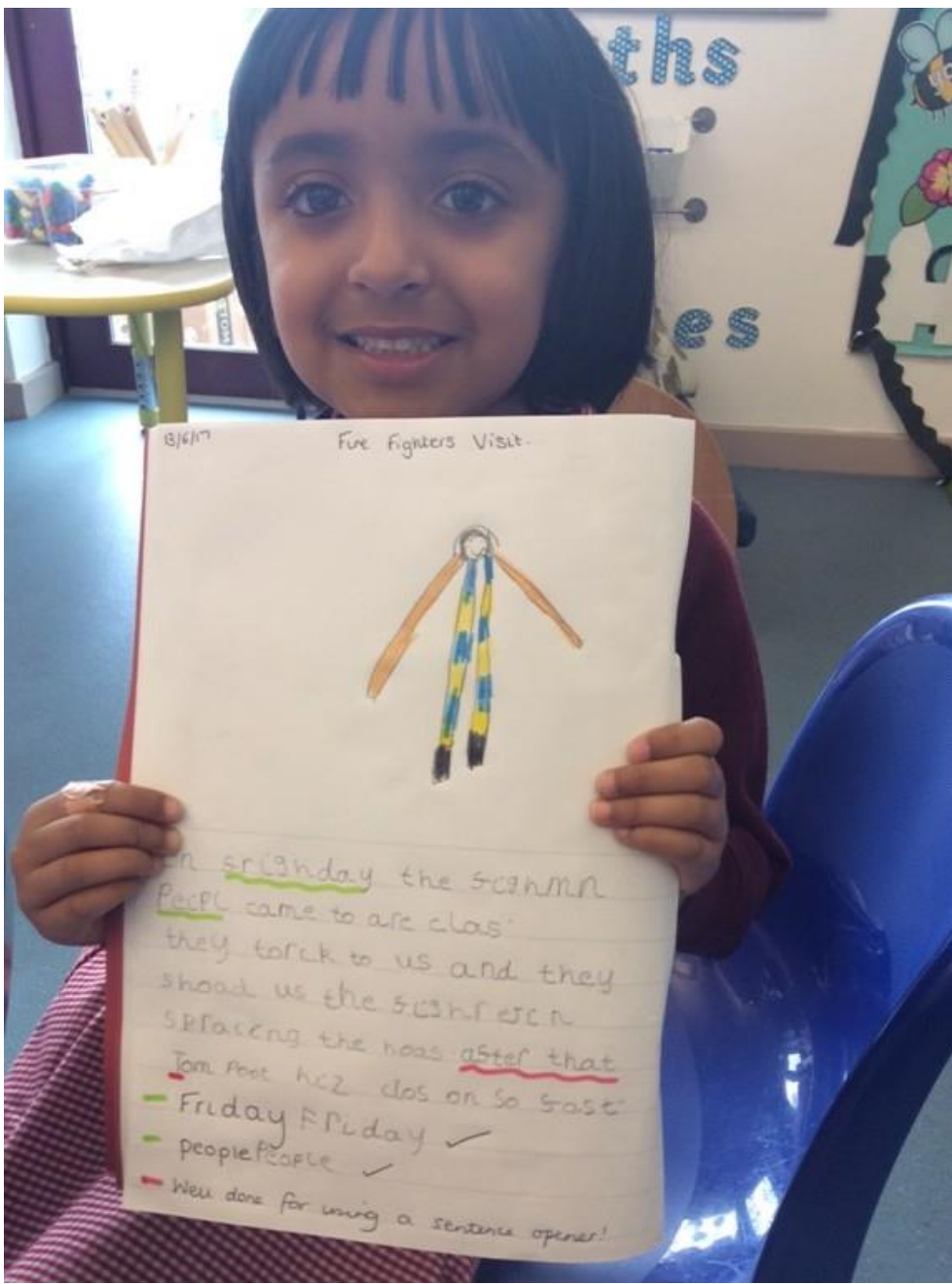
We have weekly RE lessons where we learn about the Catholic Faith, as well as learning about different Faiths and cultures.

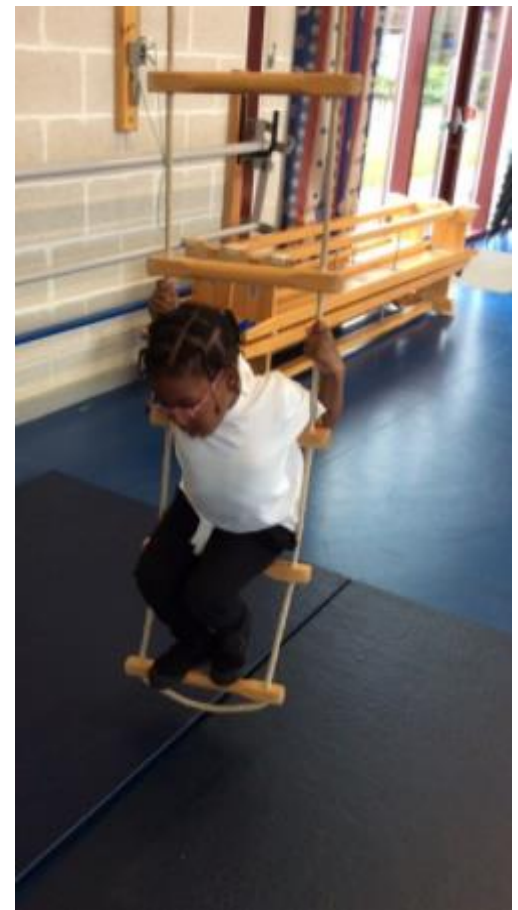


We have daily Maths lessons which involve learning about the value of numbers, 2d and 3d shapes, doubling, halving and becoming problem solvers.

We have Phonics and English lessons every day. We follow a Phonics programme called Read Write Inc. This helps us to read and write by the end of Reception.







We have PE lessons once a week, which are led by PE Specialists.
All children will need a PE kit which consists of:

Plain, white short sleeved t-shirt (no logo)

Plain, black bottoms: leggings, joggers or shorts (no logo)

Trainers or black plimsolls

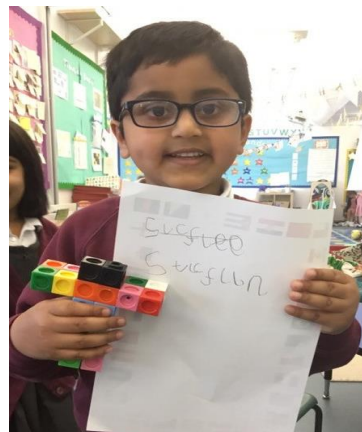
Optional: plain, black zip up hoody or sweatshirt (no logo)



Spanish Lessons



Children also have access to the areas of provision set up around the classroom and outdoor area. These activities are carefully designed to promote children's writing, number, physical and creative development and encourage independence.



A day in the life of a Reception child at St Gregory's Catholic Primary School...

Outdoors is open come rain or shine!



Outdoor learning







The adventure playground



Going on a Gruffalo hunt!

Real life experiences and extra curricula activities



Trips and visits



Snack and Lunch

- Snack is provided by the school, which is fruit and water. Your child may also be entitled to free milk. We have provided forms in your envelopes for you to fill out if you would like your child to have milk.
- Your child can either bring a packed lunch or have a free school hot meal, which all children from Reception – Year 2 are entitled to.

School uniform

THE SCHOOLWEAR SHOP

40 – 42 ABINGTON SQUARE, NORTHAMPTON NN1 4AA

Telephone 01604 635828

TWO HOURS FREE PARKING AT ST MICHAELS – DIAGONALLY OPPOSITE THE STORE

Complete one stop shop for all your school day needs

Compulsory Uniform Items

White polo shirt

School sweatshirt or cardigan with school badge

Grey school trousers, grey skirt or grey pinafore

Book bag

Grey or white socks

Grey tights

Sensible flat black shoes

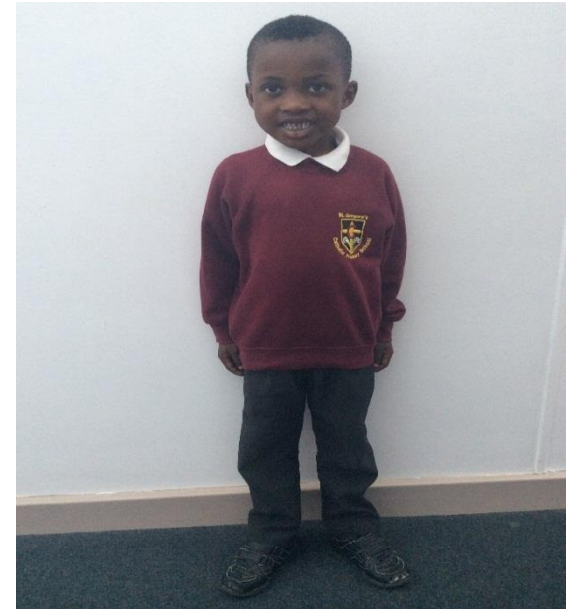
Optional Uniform Items

School fleece with school badge for outdoor use

School sun hat with school badge

P.E. kit bag with school badge

Grey school shorts or a red and white checked summer dress





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Free School Meals

All Reception and KS1 children are entitled to a free school meal. Parents can still opt to provide their child with a packed lunch if they wish to do so.

Our school lunches are provided by the external catering company Coombs.



The School Gateway is now live

You can now credit your child's account and start ordering school meals

What you need to do now:

Download the app: If you have a smartphone, please download School Gateway from your app store (Android and iPhone). The app shows the same information as the website

OR

Visit the website: www.schoolgateway.com and click on new user. You'll receive a text message with a PIN number. Use this PIN to login to School Gateway.

Meals have to be ordered before 12 midnight, 2 days before the meal is taken

For example: Order Saturday before 12 midnight for the meal on Monday, Sunday before 12 midnight for Tuesday & Monday before 12 midnight for Wednesday etc.

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Adventure playground

27 Mar 2019 08:41 PM by Miss Kelk

Beatrix had lots of fun on the adventure playground today!



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Imaginative play

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The Easter Story

27 Mar 2019 08:11 PM by Miss Kelk

Every day this week, we are learning a part of the Easter story. We have shared the story with the children and then acted it out to help them to understand key parts. If you'd like to ask your child...



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Advice for starting school

- Help your child to develop the skills they need to be independent, such as going to the toilet, dressing themselves and looking after their possessions.
- Get storybooks from the library about starting school and read them to your child.
- Encourage your child to label their pictures with letters from their names.
- Play with lots of play dough to develop fine motor skills!
- Play outdoors lots – this develops gross motor skills and children's confidence in trying new things (such as climbing a climbing frame.)
- Our door is always open – any worries you have, please come and talk to us. We are here to help and ensure your child has a great first year at school!