



# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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

## ***A Message from Miss Marum...***

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy, but productive half term in school! The newer members of our school community have settled in well: we have lots of new faces on the staff body, in Nursery and Reception classes and we have more pupils joining us after half term across the school. Thank you for making our new staff and families feel welcome!

We said 'see you soon' to Mrs Wilson yesterday as she begins her Maternity Leave and we know she will continue to support the PTFA in all that they do.

We have appointed lots of pupil leaders this week. Congratulations to Noah and Nona, our new Head Boy and Head Girl, who will be ably supported by their deputies: Olly and Jayleigh. House Captains, School Councillors, Digital Leaders, Eco-Stewards and Worship Leaders have also been appointed so far. We look forward to awarding badges to those pupils with a leadership role during the first week back. We were flooded with applications for some of the roles – well done and thank you to you all for applying.

We hope you enjoy half term and we look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

**Best wishes,**

**Miss Marum**

**Aspiration-Resilience-Awareness-Compassion**



## Harvest Celebrations

Thank you very much for the contributions to our Harvest collection. On Tuesday, we joined together as a whole school, led by members of the GIFT Team to give thanks for God's creation and consider how we can help others who are in need.

We welcomed Fr Daniel who blessed our donations and accepted them on behalf of the Cathedral Food Store who were delighted with the donations they received from our school community; all items were ones that they are in most need of to support those in need in local area.



## Term Dates

### Advent Term

Term ends: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

**Half Term: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023-  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

Term starts: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023

INSET Day: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Term ends: Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023

### Lent Term

Term starts: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Term ends: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**Half Term: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024-  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024**

Term starts: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Find full term dates [here](#).

## School Photos

Individual school photos are scheduled for **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**. All pupils must be wearing clean, full school uniform. A reminder of our expectations can be found here.

Year 1 should wear their school uniform to school and bring their named pair of trainers/plimsolls with them to school in their bag on this day.



## Names for November

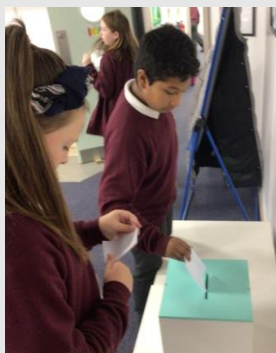
*'Remember, Lord, your servants who have gone before us marked with the sign of father. Grant to them and to all who sleep in Christ, a place of light and peace.'*

November is the month to remember those who have died. Earlier this week, we offered you the opportunity to share names of friends or family members who you would like to remember during the month of remembrance. Their names will be recorded in our special book which will be located in the alcove at the front of the school.

## Pupil Leadership Roles

We were delighted with the number of applications we received from our Year 6 pupils for Pupil Leadership roles this academic year. All of our Year 6 pupils have so much to offer and are so enthusiastic about helping to make our school an even better place to be. Pupils in St Catherine of Siena Class and St Oscar Romero Class participated in today's elections. Congratulations to our newly appointed House Captains and Head Pupils.

We look forward to awarding your badges next half term and working with you!



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