

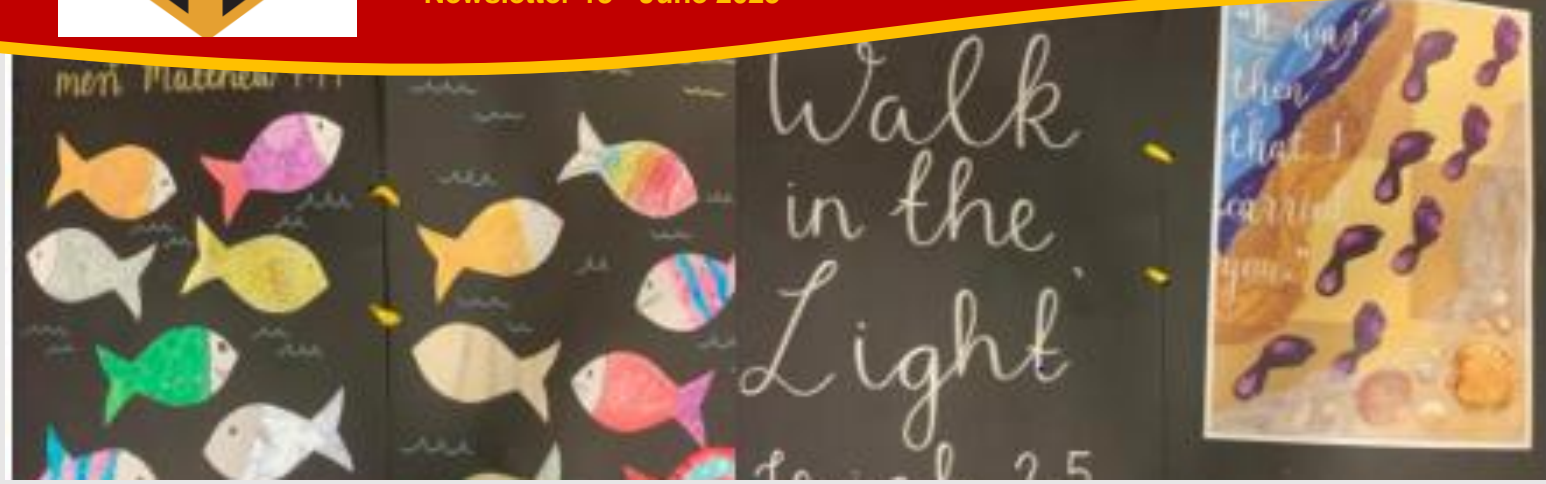


# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy week it has been! Our Year 6s have been brilliant this week; both home and away! Most of the year group visited Alton Castle for their residential trip from Monday to Wednesday and this was a real success. They took part in lots of activities which they thoroughly enjoyed and I have never known a group on residential to go to sleep so quickly! Well done to them all! The children who remained in school were taught by Ms Johnson and focused on the genre of Spy Fiction. Thank you to the PTFA who arranged a visit from Atomic Science for the group and also arranged a Pizza Party lunch. They were very grateful.

Our Year 1 pupils performed superbly in their Phonics Skills Check this week, using their decoding skills to read a variety of real and nonsense words. Well done to the children and thank you to staff and families for the support given to the children for this. The children's results will be enclosed in their End of Year Report.

Thank you to the PTFA for organising the Fathers' Day Gift Room; we hope all the recipients like their gift chosen especially for them.

Next week, we have Sports Days on Thursday and Friday; we look forward to families joining us from 9.30am-11am. Year 3 will also be visiting Piddington Roman Villa on Friday too – another busy week!

**Best wishes,  
Miss Marum**

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## Pilgrims of Hope at Alton Castle

Our Year 6 children took part in a two-night retreat at Alton Castle earlier in the week, exploring the Jubilee theme, 'Pilgrims of Hope' through a series of exciting and challenging activities. Biking and Survival proved particularly popular amongst our students. As staff, we were very impressed with the children's determination, and resilience when faced with new activities, as well as being away from the familiarity of their own homes. Well done to them all and thank you to Miss Dowell, Mrs MacElhatton and Miss Mayes who accompanied them.



## Term Dates

### Pentecost Term 2025

**INSET Day: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

Term ends: Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025

### Advent Term 2025

Term starts: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
September 2025

Term ends: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

**Half Term: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October  
2025-Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025**

Term starts: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November  
2025

Term ends: Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December  
2025

Find full term dates [here](#).

## Stormbreaker Challenges

The oldest children in the school became detectives and learnt about fingerprinting, code-breaking and the forensic testing of unknown substances with Nuclear Natalie! The children then designed a book cover, producing some really innovative and striking designs. They also created their own storyboard for a new action-packed adventure for Alex Rider with amazing ideas including computer viruses, evil geniuses and rogue robots!

*"I loved doing experiments with Nuclear Natalie and drawing my own ideas as a storyboard." -  
Nessa*

## Roman Forts

Year 3 have been studying Hadrian's Wall as part of their project work, taking advantage of their DT time to create a model Roman forts each. These forts would have been stationed along Hadrian's Wall, which was built by 15,000 legionaries over a period of six years, to help Roman troops in their defence of Britannia against the North. Good effort Year 3!



## Anna Hibiscus

St George class have been exploring their new text in their English lessons: Anna Hibiscus. This week, the children took part in role play activities to inform their writing. They put their acting skills to the test

playing the roles of Anna's mother and grandmother.

The children used their collaboration skills to arrange who was playing each part and then used their presentational voices beautifully to share their ideas as dialogue in conversation.

Well done Year 1!



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# Pre-Loved Uniform Sale



The PTFA are holding a Pre-Loved Uniform Sale on

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

From 3pm-3.30pm at the front of the school.

The PTFA has a limited stock of pre-loved uniform to sell.

It has all been washed and has been checked that it is good,  
pre-loved quality.

**Items will be sold for the following amounts:**

Coats - £2 per item

Sweatshirts/Cardigans - £2 per item

Grey trousers, pinafores, skirts, tights - £1 per item

White polo shirts - £1 per item

*Please bring plenty of change.*

If you have any questions, please contact the PTFA at

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Thank you for your continued support!



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