

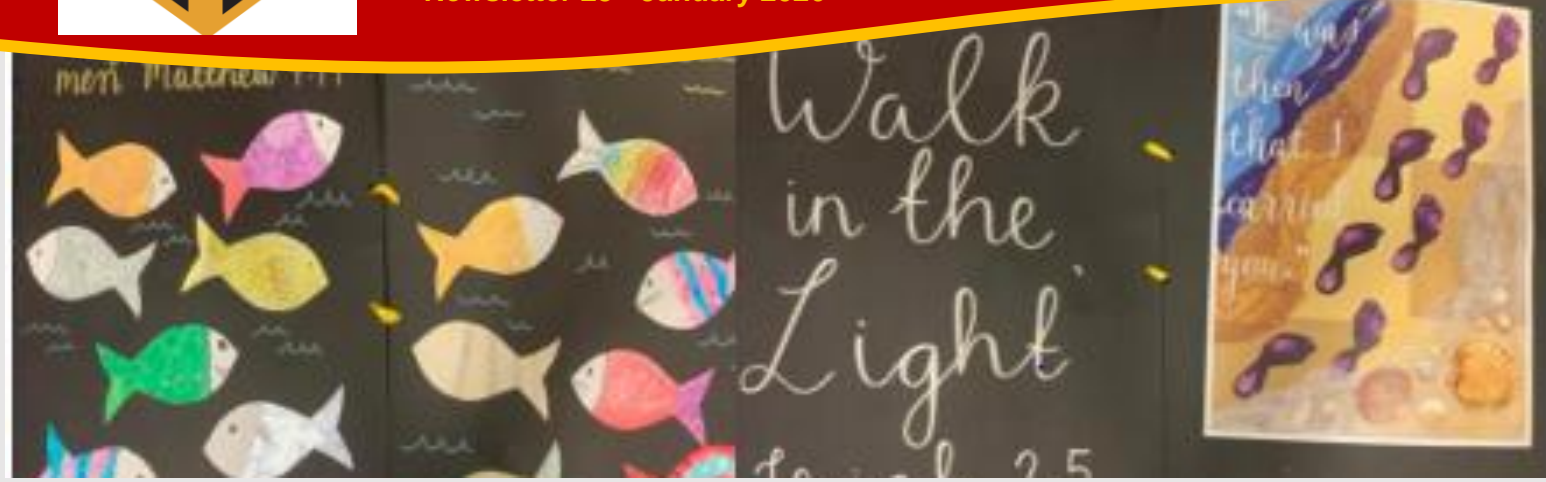


St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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"Walking together in the Light of the Lord."

A Message from Miss Marum...

Dear Parents and Carers,

As always, it has been a joyful and busy week in school! There have been countless times this week where our children have been noticed and celebrated for showing kindness, curiosity and perseverance in their learning and in the way they care for one another. This was really evident in our Celebration and Worship time this morning, where our Stars of the Week were awarded. Their teachers shared why they have been chosen as the Star of the Week for the class: for exceptional progress or effort or outcomes of for service they have shown to others.

The Parish of St Gregory the Great continue to meet for Mass on a Sunday at 9am and 11am in the school hall, whilst their Church undergoes repairs. Please do come if you can; Fr Christopher and the rest of the congregation would be pleased to welcome you. There is also a Children's Liturgy group that also meets during the 9am Mass too.

On Tuesday, we invite parents to our termly Book Look, where you can pop into your child's classroom at 3.30pm to see their learning. We hope to see you there!

**Best wishes,
Miss Marum**

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Curriculum Enrichment in school

There are lots of events in the pipeline for our children including:

- **Workshops** to support the curriculum for pupils in Reception, Year 1 and all pupils in Key Stage 2. Please book your child's place on MCAS under 'clubs' and then 'available clubs'.
- Year 2s visit to **Holdenby House** in March – please book your child's place on MCAS under 'trips'.
- On the 6th February we will have a non-uniform day and '**Dress for Digits**' to celebrate Number Day and raise money for the NSPCC.
- On 5th March, we will celebrate **World Book Day** in school; all children and staff are invited to dress as their favourite book character. We will be collecting for Gregory Care.



Term Dates

Lent Term 2026

Half Term: Monday 16th February 2026-Friday 20th February 2026

Term starts: Monday 23rd February 2026

Term ends: Friday 27th March 2026

Pentecost Term 2026

Term starts: Monday 13th April 2026

Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May 2026

Term ends: Friday 22nd May 2026

Half Term: Monday 25th May 2026-Friday 29th May 2026

Term starts: Monday 1st 2026

Term ends: Friday 17th July 2026

Find full term dates [here](#).

Solar Power at St Gregory's

Mrs Yuen has shared with parents and carers today that our school has been successful in securing funding for the installation of solar panels, a wonderful step in caring for our common home. This exciting project will support sustainability, enrich pupils' learning about renewable energy, and help future-proof our school for years to come.

Please encourage your child to enter the related poster competition – see below.

Further details about the installation once dates are confirmed.

PTFA Doughnut Sale

Thank you to everyone who supported the PTFA Doughnut Sale after school today; thank you for forming such an orderly queue and for your patience!

Next week, the PTFA will be running the Pre-Loved Uniform Sale postponed from last term. Fingers crossed that the weather will be kind to us and we can have the sale in the usual place!



Making Music in Reception

The Reception children have thoroughly enjoyed learning how to play their glockenspiels during music lessons this term.

They have been developing their listening skills by copying simple tunes and practising how to keep in time with the music. They've shown great enthusiasm and concentration in their lessons. Their confidence has grown a lot over the term so far and we look forward to seeing (and hearing) their achievements as they continue to make music together.



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Join the **Solar Schools Poster Competition!**

Entries to your Class Teacher by
Wednesday 28th January



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Book Look



We invite you to drop into your child's classroom on

Tuesday 27th January

so that your child can share their books with you and tell you all about the work they have been doing.



There is no need to book an appointment, just come along, with your child, to their classroom, between **3.25pm** and **3.45pm**.

You are welcome to wait on the School Playground between 3.15pm and 3.25pm.

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Pre-Loved Sale



The PTFA are holding a Pre-Loved Sale on

Friday 30th January 2026

From 3pm-3.30pm at the front of the school
(weather dependent!)

The PTFA has a limited stock of pre-loved uniform, toys and books 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

Books and toys – see price

Please bring plenty of change.

If you have any questions, please contact the PTFA at
st.gregorysptfa@gmail.com

Thank you for your continued support!

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Number
Day 2026



Friday 6th February 2026

We invite all pupils and staff to wear **non-uniform**
(no onesies please)
on this day, to help celebrate Number Day.

Pupils are invited to '**Dress for Digits**' by wearing items of clothing that have numbers on, or that are linked to Maths in some way.

Prizes are on offer for the most creative outfits in each Key Stage.

In exchange for wearing non-uniform, we ask that a donation of at least £1 is given per child for the NSPCC.

A reminder that Year 2 will have PE on this day.

Please ensure that outfits are appropriate for a PE lesson.



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