

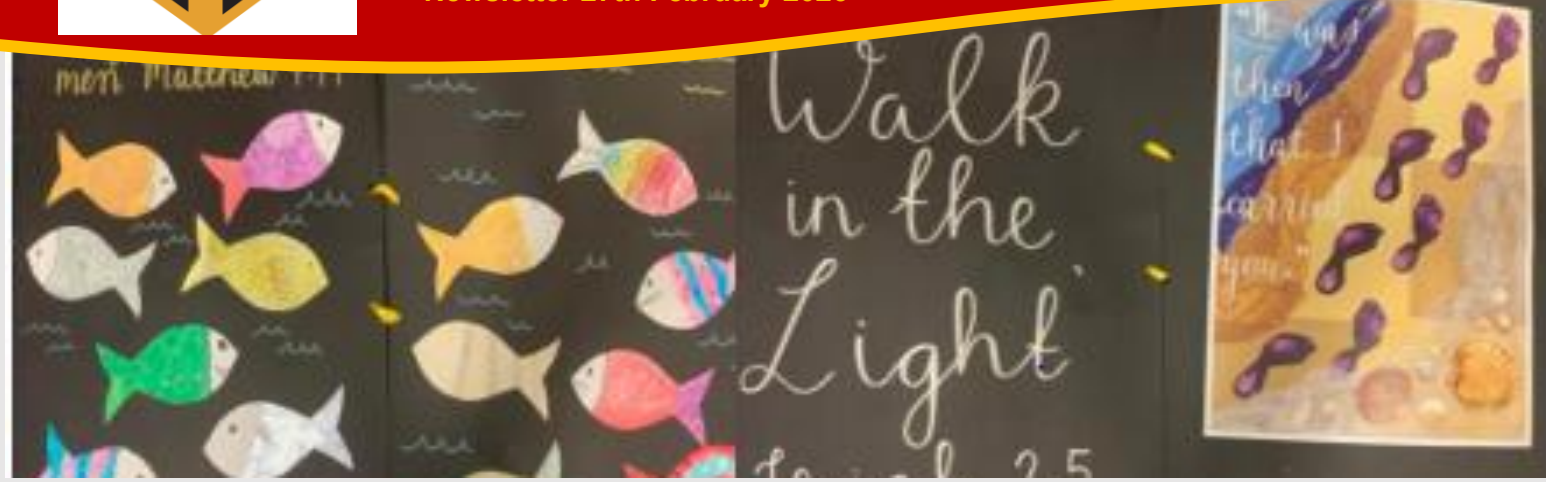


St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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“Walking together in the Light of the Lord.”

A Message from Miss Marum...

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school this week; there's been lots happening in classrooms, around the school and at home. We have loved having parents in to enjoy a book and a biscuit with their children in the school library.

Thank you to all parents who ensured their child was signed up for our One Day Creative workshops; your support will mean that we can continue to offer our pupils lots of enrichment opportunities. Photos and information about these will be included in next week's newsletter. Parents' Evening bookings have closed too and we look forward to seeing families for their appointments next Tuesday and Thursday.

Our Year 6 children will receive their Secondary School allocations in the coming days. We know that they will be excited about this and may have a feeling of apprehension too. If, when you receive your child's allocation, you need any support or advice, please do contact Ms Annis who will be happy to help.

We hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

**Best wishes,
Miss Marum**

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A visit from Mary's Meals: Feeding Hope, Inspiring Action

This week, we were delighted to welcome Jane from Mary's Meals, who gave an engaging and heartfelt insight into the charity's life-changing work. We were all invited to imagine what it might feel like to try to learn on an empty stomach and took time to reflect and connect the charity's mission to the virtues of compassion, dignity and service. We thought carefully about how Catholic Social Teaching underpins the work of Mary's Meals, reminding us of our shared responsibility to care for our family.

We are really looking forward supporting Mary's Meals over weeks – please bring your 10ps in!



Term Dates

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](#).

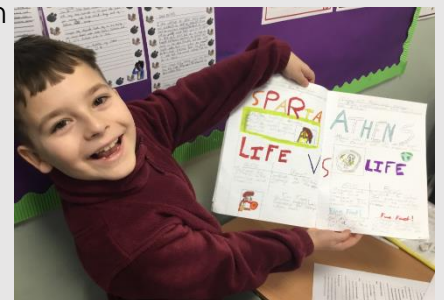
World Book Day: £1 Book Tokens

Our children were excited to bring home their £1 book vouchers today, giving them the chance to choose a special story of their own. The vouchers help families celebrate reading together, making it easier and more affordable to discover new books and authors.



From Sparta to Athens...

St Catherine of Siena class have been making factual and visual information spreads all about life in Ancient Athens and Sparta, two of the most significant Greek city-states. The children found it fascinating to learn all about Sparta's focus on power and strength and compare it to Athens' quest for knowledge and democracy; the Greeks really were groundbreaking!



Faith in Action: St David Class share the story of their Patron

Year 2 led a beautiful and prayerful liturgy about the life of St David. The children shared how he lived simply, dedicated himself to prayer and service, and encouraged others to "do the little things well," explaining why he is recognised as a saint.

We were incredibly proud of their confident and enthusiastic delivery. They spoke clearly and reverently, reflecting our Catholic ethos. Mrs Netherwood kindly gifted every child in her class daffodils to mark St David's Day today. It was lovely to see the children's generosity in sharing these with their siblings and their family members on a rainy Friday afternoon!



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Layers, Lava, and Learning: Year 3 Investigates Earthquakes and Volcanoes

In our 'Earthquakes and Volcanoes' workshop, we learned about the layers of the Earth: inner core, outer core, mantle and crust. We learnt about what a volcano is, how we know if a volcano is active, dormant or extinct. We also heard about current volcanoes around the world and lots of information about earthquakes. Year 3 had lots of fun playing games, quizzes, and lots of drama. The children showed fantastic retrieval of knowledge already learnt and asked fantastic wondering questions throughout.



LENTEN REFLECTION

Based on the Stations of the Cross

You are invited to join pupils from the Northampton OLICAT Schools on their Lenten journey: Take time to be with Jesus to relive His suffering through the eyes of our young people in reflection, prayer and music.



Wednesday 18th March 2026

5.00pm - 6.00pm
FREE TO ATTEND

**The Catholic Cathedral of Our Lady Immaculate & St Thomas of
Canterbury
NN2 6AG**



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World Book Day

Thursday 5th March 2026

Come to school **dressed as a book character** and, in exchange, **bring in** an item for Gregory Care for their work at the Cathedral Food Store.

Nursery and Reception

Shampoo and Conditioner

Year 1 and Year 2

Toothbrush and Toothpaste

Year 3 and Year 4

Hand Soap (with pump) and Tissues (boxes)

Year 5 and Year 6

Shower Gel and Deodorant



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10p Challenge



for Mary's Meals

We will be running a whole school fundraising challenge to support our Lenten charity Mary's Meals, just 10p feeds a child for a day at school.

From **23/2/26** until **10/3/26**, we ask that our children bring in as many **10 pence** or **£1 coins** as they can to put in their class jar. All money raised will be donated to Mary's Meals.

On **Wednesday 11th March**,
each class will take part in the

'10p Challenge'

placing their coins in a line on the playground.

10 minutes on the Adventure Playground will be won by the classes with:

*The highest
number of coins*

*The longest line
made*

The straightest line

*The highest
amount per pupil
(total amount divided by number of
pupils on roll)*



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Mothers' Day Gift Room



The PTFA will be hosting a "Secret Gift Room" for Mothers' Day.

Thursday 12th March 2026

Children from Nursery to Year 6 are invited to browse a range of gifts during the school day and select one for their Mum or a special person.



£3 per child

Please send payment via Bank Transfer for each child separately that wishes to purchase a gift by **Tuesday 12th March**.

It is not possible to pay for this event via the School Office.

**Account Name: St Gregory's Parent
Teacher and Friends Association**

Account Number: 27086660

Sort Code: 30-99-15

Reference: Child's Full Name

(some items can be personalised, if you would like this to happen, please add 'p' to your payment reference)



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