

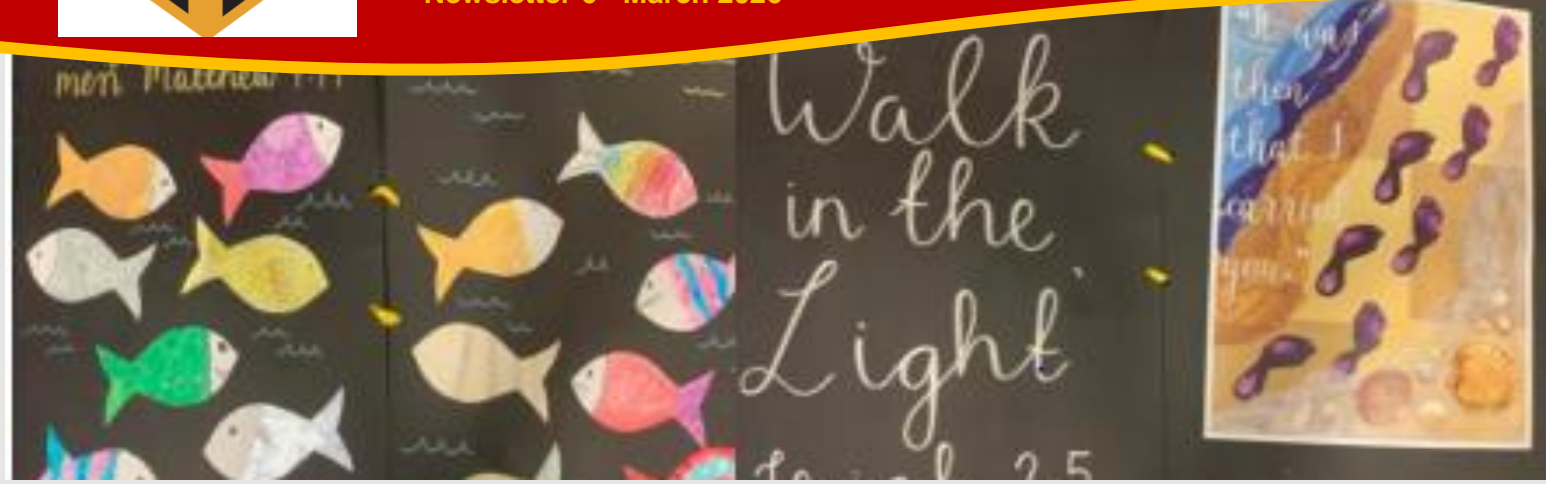


# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Newsletter 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026



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

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Year 6 pupils received their Secondary School allocations earlier this week and there were lots of smiles on their faces as they shared the name of their new school with their friends! Thank you to all families who attended Parents' Evening; we really enjoyed sharing the children's effort and progress with you all - there is lots of dedication to learning each and every week in school!

It was wonderful to see our whole school community involved in World Book Day yesterday; thank you to parents who supported our children to dress up and for the donations for Gregory Care; I know that they will be grateful to receive so many much-needed items that they can pass on to the people they support.

Next week, we have children visiting St Thomas Becket Catholic School to watch their production of High School Musical Jr and some of our pupils will be leading music in Mass on Wednesday afternoon at the Sacred Heart. Our wonderful PTFA will also be holding their annual Gift Room, where children can select a gift for their mother, grandmother, aunt or another special person in their family. Please ensure you book on for this by Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March.

We hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

**Best wishes,  
Miss Marum**

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## A Bear-y Exciting World Book Day!

Excitement filled the school as everyone arrived for **World Book Day 2026**, themed around *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*. In Years 2-6, the children visited the reconstruction of a 'crime scene' - the three bears' kitchen after Goldilocks had broken in. Our thanks to Mr Boshell, who spent the morning as a private investigator, thrilling the children with his retelling of the moments leading up to the crime! This has inspired lots of interesting writing outcomes.

Meanwhile, the younger children spent the morning making teddy bear toast which they then enjoyed at bears' picnic. Lots of fun was had by everyone!



## Term Dates

Term ends: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

### **Pentecost Term 2026**

Term starts: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**Bank Holiday: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

Term ends: Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

**Half Term: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2026-Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

Term starts: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> 2026

Term ends: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026

Find full term dates [here](#).

## Reception Stir Up Their Learning!

The children in Reception have written lists for their porridge ingredients and followed simple instructions to make porridge together.

Afterwards, the children practised writing their own instructions to explain how they made it. What a fun and tasty treat linked to their learning about fairytales!



## National Competition Success!

We are delighted that two of our pupils have been recognised at national level for their superb posters created for the recent energy competition. One pupil is the national KS2 winner and the other is a national KS1 runner up! They have been invited to a special awards ceremony later this month to receive their prizes!

**Well done to you both!**



## Year 1 Exploring Long, Short and Tall

Year 1 have been enjoying a range of practical activities to develop their understanding of long, short and tall. The children compared and ordered objects by length and height, using items such as building blocks, ribbons and teddies! They also worked together to measure different classroom objects and even compared their own heights to find the tallest and shortest in their groups. These hands-on activities helped the pupils practise important mathematical vocabulary such as longer, shorter and taller, while building their confidence and teamwork skills.



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## Solar Energy at St Gregory's!

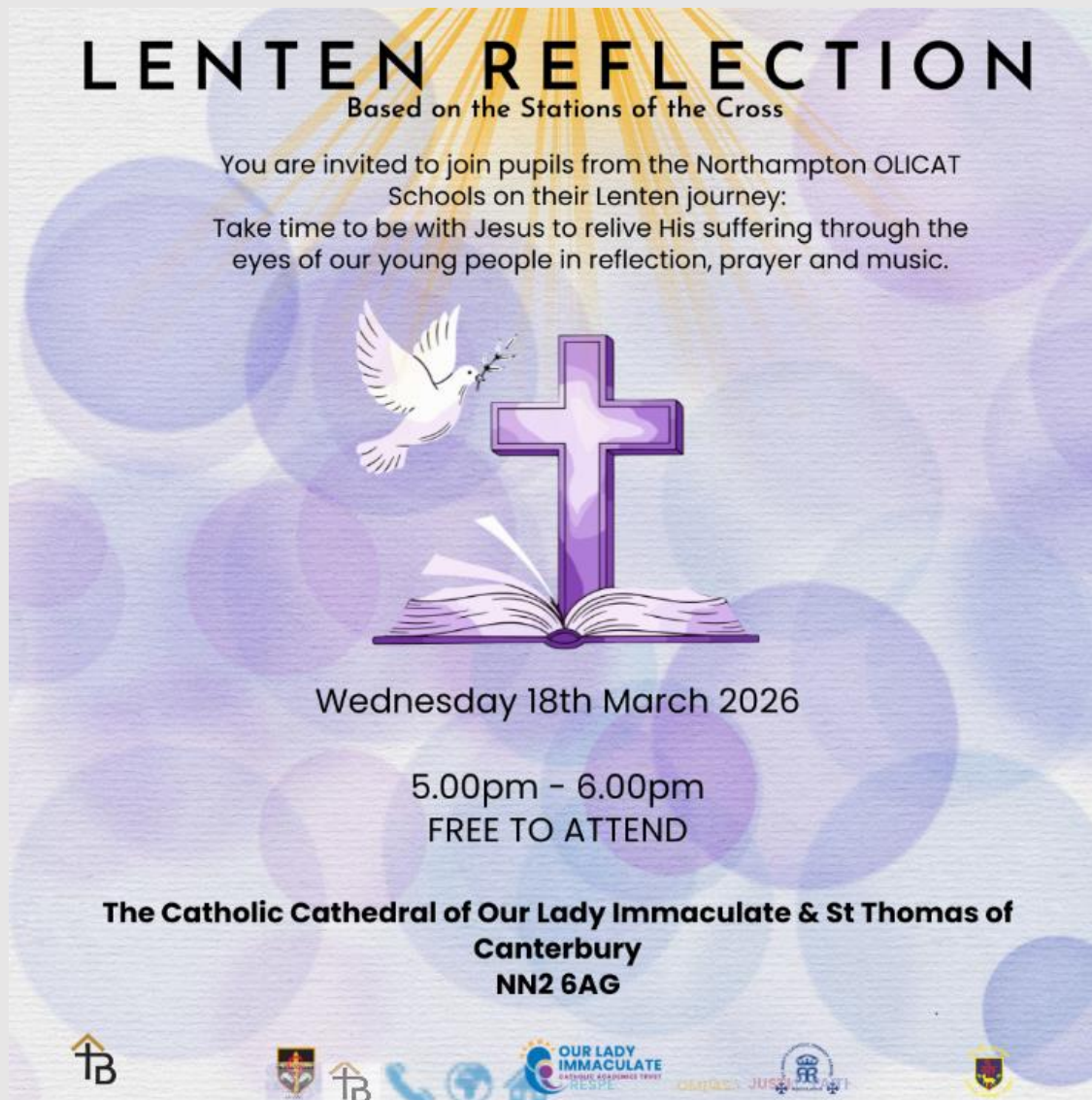
St Gregory's Catholic Primary School is pleased to share that it will be running on cleaner energy very soon, thanks to funding for new solar panels from Great British Energy, as part of a scheme with the UK government, which will help save money on energy bills.

St Gregory's is one of up to 250 schools and colleges across England to receive its share of up to £255 million in funding from Great British Energy and government to install new solar panels across school rooftops, alongside other energy efficiency measures.

Once completed, this solar installation will generate clean energy for our school while savings from energy bills will be reinvested back into students' education.


This is part of the government's 10-year plan for national renewal a decade of to transform schools and colleges across the country.

**We are expecting work to begin on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – further information for parents to follow.**



**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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# 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> 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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