



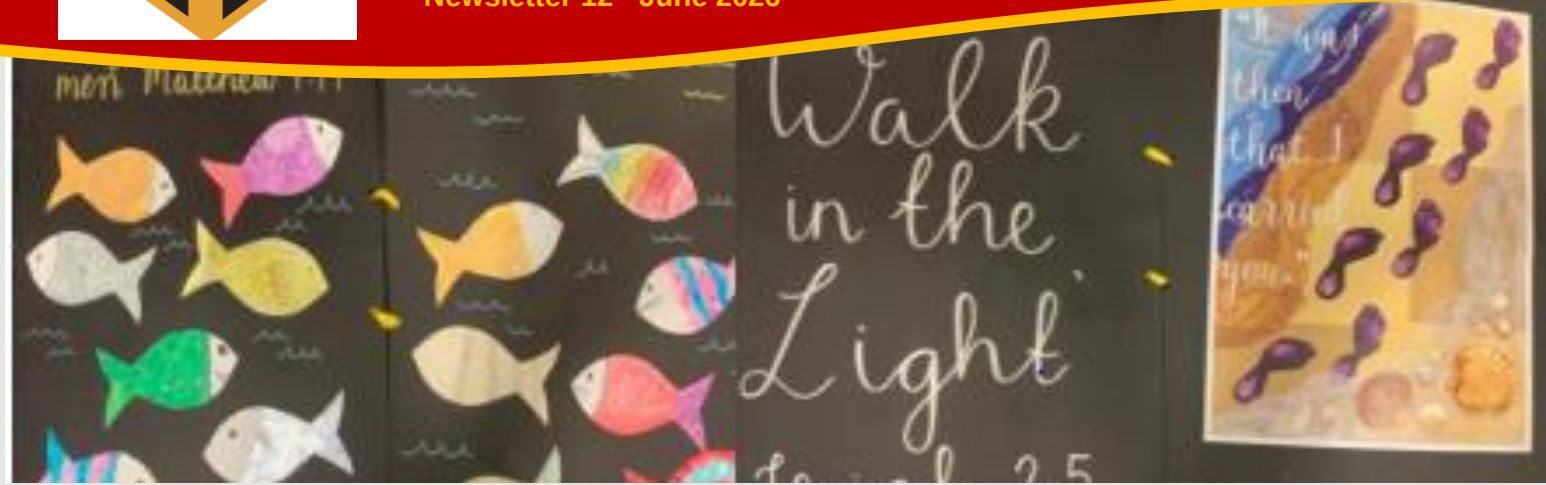
St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Newsletter 12th June 2026



"Walking together in the Light of the Lord."

A Message from Miss Marum...

Dear Parents and Carers,

The week has been full of lots of exciting activities across our school. Children in Key Stage 1 showed great determination and resilience as they tackled their Phonics Skills Check this week; we were very impressed with their confidence and positive attitudes. As well as this, Miss Mayes, Mrs Donnelly and Mrs MacElhatton have visited Alton Castle along with Year 6 on their annual residential. They have all had a brilliant time (more to follow in next week's newsletter) and I wish them all a very restful weekend! Thank you to our PTFA who provided the Year 6's who remained in school with a special lunch yesterday!

Today we welcomed members of the Central Team from Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Academies Trust, who visited to view learning and teaching across all our classes. They were very impressed with the children's dedication to their learning and the high expectations that our staff hold for our children.

We hope you have a wonderful weekend – hopefully the sun will make an appearance!

**Best wishes,
Miss Marum**



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Stepping into Character in St David Class

St David Class have been thoroughly enjoying their new English text this term, *The Lonely Beast* by Chris Judge. The story follows a lonely beast on an exciting adventure as he sets out to find others of his kind, eventually discovering a bustling city along the way.

The children have already produced a range of excellent writing inspired by the book, including diary entries and detailed character descriptions. This week, they have been focusing on writing effective questions and have taken part in hot-seating activities to explore characters' thoughts, feelings and motivations in greater depth. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm, creativity and growing confidence in English lessons.



Term Dates

Pentecost Term 2026

Term ends: Friday 17th July 2026

Advent Term 2026

Term starts: Thursday 3rd September 2026

Term ends: Friday 23rd October 2026

Half Term: Monday 26th October 2026-Friday 30th October 2026

Term starts: Monday 2nd November 2026

INSET Day: Friday 27th November 2026

Term ends: Friday 18th December 2026

Find full term dates [here](#).

Fathers' Day Gift Room

Sunday 21st June is Fathers' Day. Our super PTFA are busily preparing the annual Fathers' Day Gift Room which will be held in school on Thursday 18th June.

All bookings must be made by **Tuesday 16th June** to the PTFA bank account.

We know the children will enjoy selecting a gift for their Dad, Uncle, Grandad or other special family member!



Sports Day!

Our Sports Day will be held on Tuesday 23rd June, for the whole school from Nursery to Year 6. We are really looking forward to it!

Parents and carers are welcome to come and support their children during the race time from 9.30am until approximately 11.15am.

Please park off-site and walk in to the school on the day. You will be asked to sign in before you enter the field.



Busy Bee-Bots in Year 1

In Computing this term, we have been learning about algorithms, commands and debugging by programming Bee-Bots. The children explored how sequences of instructions control movement and learnt how to identify and correct errors in a program. To apply their skills, they created mazes and programmed Bee-Bots to reach their destinations, as well as navigating them to different locations on a map. Everyone agreed it was a fun and engaging way to develop their programming skills!



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FATHERS' DAY GIFT ROOM



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

Thursday 18th June 2026

Children are invited to browse a range of gifts and select one for their Dad or a special person.

£3 per child



Please send payment via Bank Transfer for each child that wishes to purchase a gift by **Tuesday 16th June**.

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

Account Name: St Gregory's PTFA

Account Number: 27086660

Sort Code: 30-99-15

Reference: Child's Full Name



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