

St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School



We give thanks to God, work together and always try our best

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Upcoming Diary Dates

16th July – Y6 leavers
Celebration of the
Word for parents
9.20am

17th July -
Y6 leavers' Mass @
St. Gregory's church

17th July school
closes for summer
1pm

1st September
INSET day.

2nd September –
school reopens.

Headteacher's Message

Dear Families,

As we enter the final week of the school year, we hold our wonderful Year 6 pupils especially in our thoughts and prayers. This is a time of reflection and celebration as they prepare to leave St. Gregory's and take the next step in their journey. We are looking forward to sharing special moments with them during the Leavers' Assembly and Mass, as we give thanks for all they have contributed to our school community. May they continue to grow in faith, wisdom, and confidence, carrying the values of St. Gregory's Way into their futures.

They will always have a special place in our school family.

Warm regards,

Miss E. Shaughnessy

Miss Hyde's Wonderful News

We are delighted to share that Miss Hyde will be leaving us on a temporary basis as she prepares to welcome her new baby. She has taken to pregnancy with such ease and grace, and has continued to be a fantastic class teacher throughout the academic year. We are incredibly grateful for her dedication and positivity. Thank you, Miss Hyde, for being such a star! We wish you all the very best and look forward to meeting your gorgeous new arrival soon!

First Holy Communion

On Saturday 5th July, our Year 4 pupils received Holy Communion for the very first time. It was a truly joyful and reverent celebration. The children read beautifully and conducted themselves with great respect throughout the Mass, clearly demonstrating that they were well prepared and ready to take this important step in their faith journey. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported and guided the children in preparing for this special occasion.



Staff Awards

A huge congratulations to Mrs Atkinson, who was named *Staff Member of the Year (class based)*, and to Mr Vasey, who received the *Everyday Hero* award at the BCCET Awards Night. These are well-deserved recognitions, and I would like to echo my wholehearted support for these worthy winners. We are incredibly proud of them both. Of course, all of the staff here at St Gregory's do an amazing job every day, and we are truly blessed to have such a dedicated and inspiring team.



Water Safety This Summer


As we approach the summer holidays, we want to remind all our families about the importance of staying safe around water. Whether you are heading to the beach, swimming in a pool, or spending time near rivers and lakes, please take extra care.

Here are some key water safety tips:


- Always supervise children near water.
- Choose lifeguarded beaches where possible.
- Teach children to swim and understand water safety rules.
- Never swim alone, and avoid open water unless you are certain it is safe.
- Be cautious of cold water, strong currents, and hidden dangers under the surface.

Let's make this a safe and enjoyable summer for everyone. Have fun—and stay safe!

HAVE A LOVELY SUMMER

Loving Father,
Thank You for this school year—
for the joy and success we've had together.
As we begin our summer break,
watch over us and keep us safe. 
Help us to rest, to grow, and to enjoy
the beauty of Your creation.

May we return refreshed, ready to learn,
and filled with Your hope.

 Bless our families, our friends,
and all who care for us.

Let us always walk in the light of Christ,
and live each day the
St. Gregory's Way.

Amen.

