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St Gregory's SEND Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our Summer edition of the SEND Newsletter.

As we reach the end of another busy and successful school year, we would like to take this opportunity to celebrate the wonderful progress our children have made. Every child has achieved something to be proud of, whether that has been making new friends, becoming more independent, developing confidence, improving their reading, persevering with challenges or simply enjoying coming to school each day.

A huge thank you to all of our families for the continued support, kindness and encouragement you provide. Working together as a team makes such a difference to children's confidence, wellbeing and success.

The final few weeks of the school year often bring lots of excitement but can also create worries for some children. Changes to routines, new classrooms and the long summer break can feel overwhelming, particularly for children who thrive on predictability and routine.

In this newsletter, we have included ideas and strategies to help make the transition into September as smooth and positive as possible, along with some simple activities to enjoy over the summer holidays.

As we continue to develop this newsletter, we would love to hear your thoughts. If you have any suggestions for future topics, questions you would like answered, or information you feel would be useful, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

We hope you all have a safe, happy and relaxing summer.

Best wishes,
Mrs Wright

SENCO/Deputy Head teacher

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https://www.stgregorysps.co.uk/send/

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Celebrating success this term:

This term we have celebrated so many achievements across our school, here are just a few of them!

- Children showing increased independence in the classroom.
- Fantastic teamwork during sports events.
- Excellent attendance and resilience.
- Improved confidence when speaking in class and class assembly's.
- Amazing progress in reading and phonics.
- Children using strategies to regulate emotions independently.
- New friendships developing across year groups.
- Wonderful examples of kindness and inclusion.

Every achievement, no matter how big or small, deserves to be celebrated! Well done everyone!

Remember to celebrate your child's successes at home too!

Success might be:

- trying something new
- asking for help
- getting dressed independently
- showing kindness
- managing worries
- being resilient after making a mistake.

Preparing for Transition

Why can transition be difficult?

Many children look forward to September, but some may feel worried about:

Meeting a new teacher; making new friends; different classroom routines; increased expectations; not knowing what to expect; changes to familiar adults. These feelings are completely normal.

Ways you can help:

Talk positively—Children often take their emotional cues from adults.

Instead of saying:

"You'll be nervous."

Try:

"Your new teacher can't wait to work with you."

Answer questions honestly, if your child asks about September:

- answer simply
- don't overload them with information
- reassure them that adults will help if they are unsure.

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Managing Worries

Talking About Feelings—encourage children to name their feelings.

You might ask:

What are you looking forward to?

Is there anything you're worried about?

What helps you when you feel worried?

Remind your child..

All feelings are okay.

It's what we do with those feelings that matters.

A number of children have special interests and hobbies outside of school. The spotlight this term is on...

Sean is now a regular feature in our SEND newsletter! This term, he enjoyed an exciting family holiday to Florida. He also loves helping his mum in the garden and spending time relaxing and playing with his grandma's dog. More recently, Sean enjoyed watching the parade at Longridge Field Day.

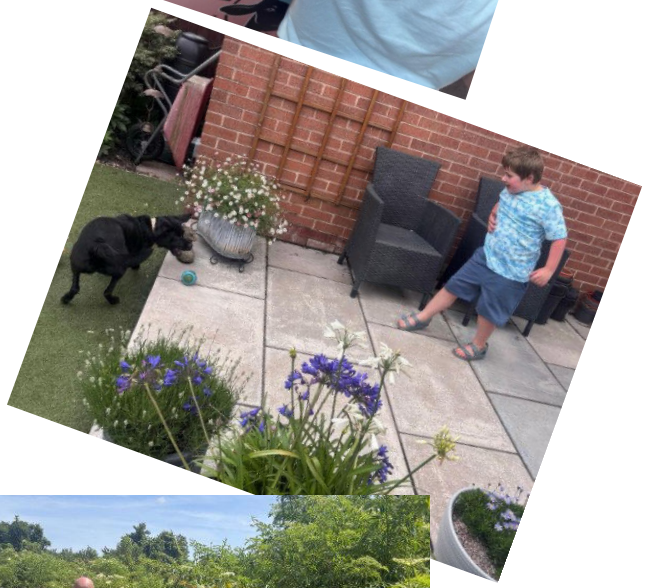
We hope you have a fantastic summer, Sean, and we can't wait to hear all about your adventures when you return in September!



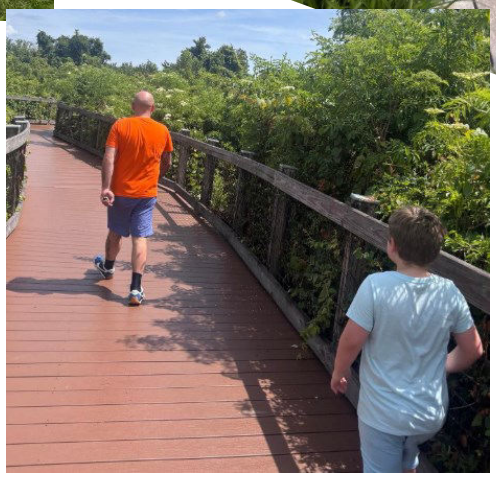












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You will remember Theo from our previous newsletters. Now in Year 2, he has certainly been keeping busy! Theo has enjoyed a fantastic range of adventures, including a trip to Wacky World with two of his siblings, where he had lots of fun. He also had an amazing time at Preston North End's kit launch day, visited the Wild Boar Park, and enjoyed the vibrant Caribbean Carnival.

We hope you have a wonderful summer, Theo. We can't wait to hear all about your exciting adventures when you return in September!











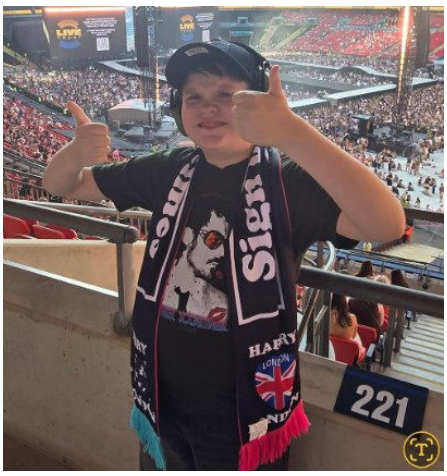
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You will remember Theo, from Year 6, from previous newsletters and his love of music! Recently, Theo went to The Etihad in Manchester to watch The Weeknd before heading to Wembley to see his all-time favourite artist, Harry Styles. While he was in London, Theo also took on a huge challenge and smashed it—even in the heatwave—by climbing the O2 Arena.

This will be Theo's final appearance in our newsletter as he gets ready to begin the next chapter of his journey at high school. Theo has been a wonderful part of the St Gregory's family, and we will miss hearing all about his amazing adventures and achievements.

We wish you every success and happiness, Theo—you will be greatly missed! Theo has one final message for everyone at St Gregory's:
"Never give up, even when it seems impossible!"













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You may remember James from one of our previous newsletters. James is in our EYFS class and has had a fantastic term full of exciting adventures!

This term, James enjoyed several trips to Smyths (much to his delight!), as well as a special visit to the zoo to celebrate his 5th birthday. He loved looking after the class caterpillars and was thrilled to release them as beautiful butterflies. James also enjoyed a visit to the farm, where he bravely stroked a water buffalo and even fed a baby goat!

We hope you have a fabulous summer, James. We can't wait to hear all about your adventures when you return in September!















We would love to hear about the great things that the children get up to out of school. Please get in touch via dojo to share achievements and proud moments out of school, 'spotlights' continue in next terms newsletter!

This terms top tips:

Enjoying the Summer Holidays!

Summer doesn't need to be expensive to be meaningful, children learn through everyday experiences.

Try these simple activities:

- Visit your local park
- Bake together
- Build a den
- Visit the library
- Nature walks
- Draw or paint outdoors
- Board games
- Gardening
- Picnic together
- Treasure hunts
- Cook a simple meal
- Keep a holiday scrapbook

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Remember...

Children do not need a packed timetable!

The best memories are often made through:

- laughter
- playing
- talking together
- spending time as a family.

Keep Learning Fun!

Learning doesn't have to look like school. Children can develop skills by:

- measuring ingredients
- counting money
- reading signs
- writing postcards
- spotting numbers
- playing word games
- building with construction toys.

A Final Message...

As another school year draws to a close, we hope every family has the chance to enjoy a well-earned break together. Summer is a wonderful opportunity to slow down, celebrate the little moments and spend quality time doing the things your children enjoy most.

Whether your child is moving into a new class or a new key stage remember that every child grows at their own pace. The confidence, independence and resilience they have developed this year will provide a strong foundation for the exciting opportunities ahead.

Thank you for being such an important part of your child's journey this year. Your support, encouragement and partnership with school make a real difference every single day.

From everyone in school, we wish you a safe, relaxing and memorable summer holiday. We look forward to welcoming you all back in September, ready for another year of learning, growth and success.

Best wishes,

Mrs Wright

Other information, support and interests…….



TAAG

TAAG (as mentioned in the newsletter) offer support to parents and carers of children and young people who have a diagnosis of ADHD, ASD/C, and Social communication needs by offering opportunities for families to come together and share experiences. A wide range of events and activities are planned throughout the year.

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