

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
7.11.25

Headteacher message:

Happy Friday!

Well it's been quite a first week back this week with one thing and another - thanks to everyone for playing your part in making it such a successful start.

The report for our Diocesan Inspection won't be published for a few weeks yet; as soon as it is out it will be shared with you. We aren't allowed to share any of the findings either at this point unfortunately but what I can say is that everyone involved - parents, children, staff, governors, parishioners - were an absolute credit to this excellent community. Our special visitors really experienced the true meaning of **GREATNESS** (not least because children were all dressed as saints on the Wednesday!).

So now we get back to the nitty-gritty of ordinary life at St Greg's ...

This coming Monday is open afternoon. If you know of anyone who is interested in their child starting with us next year, please spread the word that we will be showing people round EYFS from 1.00pm onwards.

We had planned to have Friendship Day next Wednesday but - as this week has been quite busy - we have postponed it until the following week. Later in this newsletter is information about Friendship Day, but just to reiterate: it is on **Wednesday 19th November** now.

Have a great weekend (enjoying this wierdly mild weather!)



If you would like to read the Parish's newsletter, please follow this link:
https://www.stgregoryspreston.org.uk/newsletter/



Friendship Day (Wednesday 19th November 2025)

For Friendship Day - similar to what we have done in the past - we are asking children to **come dressed in clothes from their 'home culture'** for that day. We are so proud of our great mix of cultures here at St Greg's and this day is the perfect opportunity to celebrate this!

New for this year - we will also be sending home slips of paper for children to fill in with **kindness phrases in their 'home language'** (e.g. życzliwość nic nie kosztuje or اللطف لا يكلف شيئا allutf la yukalif shayyan etc). We will then learn each other's phrases back in class and make a big display in school.

During the day children will be doing activities relating to **kindness, bullying and friendship**.

We will also be sending home **optional homework** (for extra dojo rewards) relating to kindness. There will be 10 dojos per entry and 100 dojos for the winner in each key stage and category. There are 2 activities:

1) **design a superhero** (who has superpowers of kindness)
2) **write a diary entry** from a bystander when people are being treated unkindly.

More information to follow about this closer to the time.

Upcoming Dates

10 MON	Reception – Vision Screening (9.00am) Open Afternoon for September 2026 intake (1.00pm–3.00pm)
11 TUE	Confirmation Preparation Group (3.30pm-4.30pm)
12 WED	School Mass – Year 5 (10.15am)
13 THU	Rock Steady (8.45am–11.00am) Reception – Police Visit (1.30pm–3.00pm)
14 FRI	
16 SUN	Confirmation Practice at St Clare's (5.00pm-6.00pm)

Dates For Your Diary

Wednesday 19th November	Friendship Day
Tuesday 2nd December	KS1 Movie Night 4:30-6:00
Thursday 4th December	KS2 Movie Night 4:30-6:00
Friday 12th December	Christmas Fayre for children
Monday 15th December	Celebrations Assembly 10:00 Christmas jumper day and lunch KS1 Nativity 13:30-14:30
Tuesday 16th December	KS1 Christmas party KS1 Nativity 18:00 - 19:00
Wednesday 17th December	KS2 Carol service 18:00 – 19:00
Thursday 18th December	Rock Steady Concert 9:30
Friday 19th December	Finish for Christmas!

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE



RECEPTION	93.57%
YEAR 1	93.87%
YEAR 2	95.36%
YEAR 3	95.33%
YEAR 4	98.00%
YEAR 5	97.33%
YEAR 6	94.14%
WHOLE SCHOOL	95.39%



ATTENDANCE OF THE WEEK:

YEAR 4

Headteacher Award

All our children have earned the Headteacher Award this week (and some sweets from the PTFA) for being Excellent Examples of Greatness when our special visitors were in!

WEEKLY AWARDS	SPELLING SHED	MATHS SHED
Key Stage 1	Taha	Taha
Lower Key Stage 2	Chris	Ayleen
Upper Key Stage 2	Theo	Muhammad

WEEKLY AWARDS – EXCELLENT EXAMPLE



Reception	Aamina
Year 1	Muhammad-Hassan
Year 2	Sean
Year 3	Dominika
Year 4	Fatimah
Year 5	Bella
Year 6	Eva

WEEKLY AWARDS – SUPERSKILL

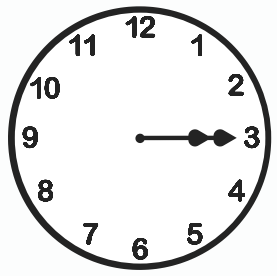


Reception	Elleanor for showing gratitude for God's creation.
Year 1	Amber for always showing empathy and kindness to others.
Year 2	Amaan for always being a peacemaker and showing kindness.
Year 3	Precious for showing resilience in her maths work.
Year 4	Maria for using ambitious vocabulary to craft vivid, imaginative, and powerful descriptions.
Year 5	Felix for super problem solving skills in maths.
Year 6	Muhammad for showing fantastic creativity with his RE poster about David.

WEEKLY AWARDS – BEST BOOK

Reception	Whole class for their excellent RE contributions this week
Year 1	Whole class for their excellent RE contributions this week
Year 2	Whole class for their excellent RE contributions this week
Year 3	Whole class for their excellent RE contributions this week
Year 4	Whole class for their excellent RE contributions this week
Year 5	Whole class for their excellent RE contributions this week
Year 6	Whole class for their excellent RE contributions this week

LATE COLLECTION



We understand that traffic can sometimes make it difficult to get to school right on time for the 3:15pm pickup.

However, from Monday, any child who is not collected by 3:20pm will be taken to the After-School Club (collect from front of hall door on Blackpool Road).

If children are not collected by 3:25pm, the session charge will apply.

Thank you!

BREAKFAST CLUB & AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



We would like to remind you that to secure your child's place at St Gregory's Breakfast Club, **bookings and payments must be made in advance.**

Breakfast club runs from 7:45am - 8:45am (£3.50 per session) & After school club runs from 3:15pm - 5:15pm (£7 per session).

A range of fun activities is on offer along with a variety of healthy drinks and snacks.

Please get in touch if you plan to use the tax-free childcare service or Universal Credit. We will send over instructions regarding the payment option on Parent Pay.

Should you have any questions or need assistance with bookings or payments, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.