



# St Gregory's Catholic School

## November 2017 Newsletter



To love all those with whom we come into contact as taught to us by Jesus through the Gospels.  
To learn to the best of our ability using our God given talents.

### Upcoming Events:

#### November:

- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> - R.E. Retreat Day.
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> - Yr 3 Swimming starts.  
**9.30am** Whole School Mass in church-Saints Day
- Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> - **9.00am** Yr 6 Enrolment Mass in church
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> / Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> - Fit for schools.
- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> - Yr 5 Group 3 Thimblemill Brook
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> - KS1 Maths Workshop  
**9.30am** Yr 5 Mass in church
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> - Yr 5 Group 1 Thimblemill Brook
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> - Jonathan White, Author, in school for assembly and book signing.
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> - **9.30am** Yr 4 Mass in church
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> - Children In Need Mufti Day.
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> - Rec - Yr4 Flu Vaccine Years
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> - Yr 5 Group 2 Thimblemill Brook.  
**7.00pm** Yr 6 Confirmation.
- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> - NSPCC Assembly.
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> - **9.30am** Yr 6 Mass in church
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> - **4.30pm - 6.30pm** Craft Fayre
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> - Book Fair Week.
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> NSPCC Workshop Yr 5 & 6  
**6.30pm** Yr 6 SATS Meeting
- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> - **9.30am** Yr 1&2 Mass in church

#### December:

- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> - Christmas Disco. **KS1 1.30pm - 3.00pm**  
**KS2 3.00pm - 4.30pm**
- Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> - **11.00am** Going Forth Mass Year 6
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> I Can Do It Week.
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> - **10.00am** Christmas Carol Concert
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> - **2.00pm** KS1 Xmas Performance
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> - **9.30am** Foundation Stage Performance.  
Foundation Stage Party PM
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> - Year 1 visit to Edmond Hall
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Jumper Day
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - **2.00pm & 7.00pm** KS2 Performance
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Years 2-6 Theatre Trip "101 Dalmatians"
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> - KS1 & KS2 Parties PM
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> - **1.30pm** Term Ends

Year 6 children will be distributing poppies to the classrooms during break times. If you would like your child to purchase a poppy, please send them with a donation. Thank you!

*Please support the poppy appeal*



Huge thanks for all the Harvest donations you were so very generous as always.

**Craft Fayre - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 4.30pm - 6.30pm**

Please come and join us in the school hall, there will be many craft stalls, a tombola, refreshments and lots of fun.

Please donate a cake for us to sell on the evening. (Homemade or shop bought) and any gifts for the tombola stall would be gratefully received.

All proceeds to go school fund.



*Attendance for  
October. Well Done  
Year 4 for their  
excellent attendance.*

<i>Attendance</i>	<i>%</i>
<i>Year 1</i>	<i>96.8</i>
<i>Year 2</i>	<i>97.6</i>
<i>Year 3</i>	<i>93.1</i>
<i>Year 4</i>	<i>98.0</i>
<i>Year 5</i>	<i>97.8</i>
<i>Year 6</i>	<i>96.1</i>



*Any other business:*

**CHILDREN IN NEED 'MUFTI DAY'  
Spotacular**

We are again supporting 'Children in Need' on Friday 17th November. For the charge of £1.00 children will be able wear their own clothes for the day. Plus spots if you have some. Please join in and raise money for Pudsey Bear.



**CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS DISCO  
Friday 1st December**

Arrangements for the Disco are as follows:  
Key Stage 1 1.30 – 3.00 pm  
Key Stage 2 3.00 - 4.30 pm  
There will be a £2.00 charge, which includes music from the resident DJ and pop, crisps plus a glowstick armband.



*November Reflections:*

**All Saints' Day, 1st November**

All Saints Day is a feast day, which celebrates all the saints, known and unknown. It arose out of the Christian tradition of celebrating the martyrdom of saints on the anniversary or their martyrdom. When martyrdoms increased, local dioceses instituted a common feast day in order to ensure that all martyrs were properly honoured.

**All Souls Day, 2nd November**

All Souls' Day is a day of alms giving and prayers for the dear. The Church commemorates all of those who have died and now are in Purgatory, being cleansed of their sins.

**Remembrance Day, 11th November**

World War I officially ended on the eleventh hour on the eleventh day on the eleventh month, 1918 - Armistice Day. The act of a Two Minute Silence began on the anniversary of Armistice Day in 1919 by those who did not want to forget the millions killed, injured and affected.



**REMEMBRANCE**

**Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord,  
And let perpetual light shine upon Them.  
May they rest in peace.  
Amen  
May the souls of the faithful departed,  
Through the mercy of God,  
Rest in Peace. Amen**



**Confirmation.**

**Bishop Byrne will be confirming  
the children on 21<sup>st</sup> November at 7pm**



**'101 Dalmatians' – The Birmingham Rep Theatre.**

A theatre visit for years 2-6 has been arranged for Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Please log on to Schoolcomms to give consent and pay the £19.00 so we can confirm tickets.

