



# St Gregory's Catholic School

## May 2019 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:

#### May:

- Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> - School Closed, Training Day.
- Mon 6<sup>th</sup> - May Day School Closed.
- Tue 7<sup>th</sup> - Revision Week  
**6.30pm** Year 3 Parent Catechesis Meeting
- Wed 8<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 Swimming.
- Thu 9<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 Fire Safety Talk
- Mon 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> SATS & Assessment week
- Wed 15<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 Swimming
- Mon 20<sup>th</sup> - **6.00pm** Year 3 Meeting at the Guild Room
- Tue 21<sup>st</sup> - Year 5 St Chad's Cathedral - Good Shepherd Mass
- Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> - Year 4 Swimming
- Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> - School Closed - **Voting Day**
- Fri 24<sup>th</sup> - **School Closes.**

#### June:

- Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> - **Term Starts.**
- Wed 5<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 Swimming
- Fri 7<sup>th</sup> - Year 6 St Chad's Cathedral  
Year 1C Class assembly
- Week Commencing 10<sup>th</sup> June - Phonics Screening Checks.
- Wed 12<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 Swimming
- Fri 14<sup>th</sup> - Year 6 Healthy Relationships Talk  
Year 4 Assembly
- Tue 18<sup>th</sup> - **9.00-10.00am** Hagley High Parent Talk
- Wed 19<sup>th</sup> - Photographs Nurs, Rec, Year6 & all class groups.  
Year 4 Swimming
- Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> - **12.00pm** First Holy Communion Year 3
- Wed 26<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 Swimming
- Thu 27<sup>th</sup> - **3.00pm** Summer Concert
- Sun 30<sup>th</sup> - **11.00am** Year 3 Going Forth Mass

Attendance for April. Well Done to Year 6 for their excellent attendance.

Attendance	%
Year 1C	94.2
Year 1W	92.9
Year 2	92.2
Year 3	96.3
Year 4	92.4
Year 5	93.8
Year 6	97.3



### Any other business:

#### Summer Concert

- On Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June, we will be having a Summer Concert where all our musicians and singers will be taking part. Violins, Brass and Drum players will be showcasing their talents. Please come along, support the children, and enjoy all the entertainment. Further details to follow.

#### SATS and TESTING

The children work exceptionally hard to achieve their best. We are always very proud of the efforts and progress that they make. Please ensure that during the next few weeks the children are well rested and prepared for their tests. It is a time to be rewarded for all their hard work! Please remember them in your prayers.

#### SCHOOL TRIPS

We appreciate your support for our school trips and hope that the option to pay in instalments is useful to you all. We are looking forward to creating exciting opportunities for the children, giving them many memories that will last a lifetime for them and the staff!

On Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April, some of our children attended St Catherine of Siena Church in Birmingham to celebrate St Catherine's feast day. They were joined by children from our other MAC schools.

A special thank you to all our children who were wonderful ambassadors for St Gregory's.

At school, we often remember St Catherine of Siena in our prayers and ask her to intercede for us

Prayer for St Catherine of Siena

St Catherine, Most blessed and favoured patron saint,  
Who sought the truth with perseverance, loved the truth in humility,  
taught the truth in charity and defended the truth with courage.  
Pray for us.

Obtain for us the grace to persevere in truth,  
the grace to be a light in the darkest of the times in which we live,  
and obtain for us the responsibility, wisdom and knowledge we need to convey to others in our words and actions our Catholic faith.

O Holy St Catherine, whose letters inspired, guided and led the church to renewal and transformation,

Obtain too for us the grace to live in the truth,

The patience to endure trials and hardships,

And the grace to carry our cross in the spirit of prayer and self-denial

And to defend the church in its hour of crucifixion.

We ask this in Christ's name

Amen



### *Monthly Reflection:*

The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the mother of Jesus. During the month of May we rejoice and pay homage to her.

Our lady shows us the way to Jesus, the person who encounters Mary cannot help but encounter Jesus also.

This month of devotions in the church calendar is characterised by special hymns and the use of flowers, which bring nature into the church.

There are several Marian feast days in May, including Our Lady of Fatima,

Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament and Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

