



Newsletter

Weekly News Digest



Little Way Catholic
Educational Trust

MAY (4) 2026

HOUSE POINTS
WINNER

St Teresa

COOL CATS
100%
ATTENDANCE

Y5 Snowhill
Y6 Deerhurst

POSITIVE MIND



VIBES

“Responsibility is
accepting that
you are the cause
& the solution of
the matter”



St Gregory's
[Virtual Library](#)



A beautiful, smart, tidy
uniform.

APP SAFETY GUIDES
[CLICK HERE](#)

Term 5—That's a wrap!

This has been a very busy term, and we have packed a great deal into the few weeks since Easter. We are incredibly proud of all our children — the way they behave, their attitude to learning, and the enthusiasm they bring to school every day. This term has been no exception. We have welcomed many visitors to our school recently, and they have all remarked on how polite, well-mannered, and welcoming our children are. We know this stems from the values and standards you instill as parents, alongside the hard work and dedication of our fantastic staff team.

Working together to help our children reach their full potential is always our aim, and we thank you for the support you provide to make this possible.

We wish you a very happy and sunny half-term break. Enjoy family time together and stay safe. We look forward to seeing you back at school on Tuesday 2nd June, bright and early.

Mrs Penney



Vacancies

- [EYFS/KS1 Teaching Partner](#)
- [MDSA](#) (closing date next Friday)
- Child Care Trust—Level 3 or above Early Years Educator. Please note that the position is 52 weeks a year. Email: childcare@st-gregorygreat.gloucs.sch.uk for more information.

Click on the links above or contact the CCT if you would like to join the team

Music

Our incredible guitarists performed to the whole school this week! They entertained us in

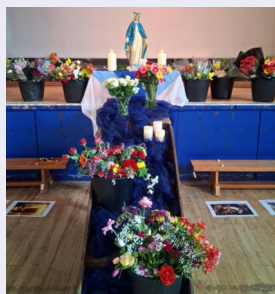


four bands, and we all loved singing along with the songs we recognised and supporting our friends. Congratulations to all of the performers, and to Pete, our guitar teacher. If your child has been inspired and would like to learn to play the guitar, please have a look at the school website.

May Celebration

Our Chaplaincy Team did a wonderful job leading us in our May celebration this week.

A massive thank you for the beautiful flowers donated. They made a gorgeous display around Mary and we will be donating them to a care home so that they can be enjoyed by others too.



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The Catholic School of Saint Gregory The Great

School PE Uniform

P.E. Uniform from Sept 2026

- ✓ PE shirt – Order through [monkhouse.com](https://www.monkhouse.com). Once ordered, your PE top will be delivered to school and the school office team will ensure it is delivered to your child.
- ✓ Navy blue zipped hoodie
- ✓ Navy blue joggers, shorts or girls skort
- ✓ Grey, navy or white socks
- ✓ PLAIN BLACK trainers
- ✗ NO DESIGNER LABELS
- ✗ NO BRANDED ITEMS

Please note; the hoodie, joggers, shorts, skort and PLAIN BLACK trainers can be bought from any high street shop/supermarket i.e. Tesco, Asda, Sainsburys, Primark, Shoezone.

PE Top



Navy Zipped Hoodie



Navy Joggers



Navy Shorts



Girls Navy Skort



Plain BLACK Trainers



NO DESIGNER LABELS



NO Coloured Trainers





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Cyber Safety



For Parents

Cyber Safety Parents
Edition at St Greg's.

Thurs 11th June 2026

9am-10am

**We would expect at least one
representative from each family
to attend.**

**Book your attendance
one EdulinkOne
under "Forms"**



www.gloucestershire.police.uk

In an era where technology intertwines seamlessly with our daily lives, ensuring the cyber safety of our children has become paramount.

As the digital landscape continues to evolve, so do the challenges and opportunities it presents. This engaging presentation is crafted exclusively for parents, offering vital insights into the world of cyber safety.

Arm yourself with knowledge, discover practical tips, and join us on a journey to empower and protect our children in the ever-expanding digital realm. Let's build a safer online environment together!

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Five Valleys Keyboard Orchestra

10.30-11.30am - Saturdays
at Archway School, Stroud
Starting 6 June

Just
£14.50
per
half term

Open to piano / keyboard players of all standards



Sign up at <https://gloucestershiremusic.paritor.com/>
go to 'Groups' then 'Five Valleys Keyboard Orchestra'
Or scan the QR code

glosmusic@gloucestershire.gov.uk 01452 427242



Cheltenham's No 1 Community Tennis Club

FREE Open Day at Cheltenham Tennis Club
Get Active! - Come and join us for fun tennis activities for all the family
Refreshments and all equipment provided

Date: Sunday 5th July 2026 | **Time:** 2 pm to 5 pm
Booking Link: <http://bit.ly/4dtQHmS>

TERM TIME JUNIORS

Mondays & Wednesdays:
4:15 pm – 5:15 pm: 8 – 9 years
5:15 pm – 6:15 pm: 10 years +

1st session a **FREE** taster then £40 (£34 members) for a 6 week course

MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMPS

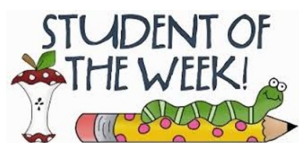
Fun and active tennis camps for juniors aged 8 - 13 years
Tuesday 26th to Friday 29th May 2026: 2 pm to 5 pm
£ 21 per day non-members / £18 per day members

To book and for more details about all the above activities, please contact:
Joe Chadwick Accredited Tennis Professional

M: 07761 242 663
E: joechadwicktennis@gmail.com

Congratulations!

A huge congratulations to
Mr Banwell and the whole
team for achieving the
Platinum Award for our
School Games offer. It is
an incredible
accomplishment.



Thank you for the
outstanding work you
continue to do Mr Banwell and
the wider team for our pupils
and our school
community.
This is a moment to be proud of.

EYFS - Zoe P & Ani
Y1 - Jonath & Esmae
Y2 - Freddy
Y3 - Sarah
Y4 - Godson & Amito
Y5 - Yamen
Y6 - Shayan & Tymmy

SMARTPHONE FREE CHILDHOOD

Smartphone Free Childhood is a growing grassroots movement of families choosing to delay smartphones and social media, together.

Our mission is to give kids more time to grow, explore, and connect — free from addictive technology and algorithm-driven distractions.

Join the movement. Let's let kids be kids.



Sign the Parent Pact to delay

Or find out more at SMARTPHONEFREECHILDHOOD.ORG

Kids & smartphones - what's the big deal?



Opportunity cost

More scrolling means less time for play, movement, reading and real-life connection — the building blocks of a healthy childhood.



Harmful content

Extreme, explicit content is just a click away — often served by algorithms, even when kids aren't looking for it.



Mental health

Since smartphones became widespread, teen anxiety, depression and self-harm have surged. Early use is linked to poorer mental health.



Addiction

Apps are designed to hook kids in. The longer they scroll, the more money tech companies make — at any cost.



Attention

Smartphones hijack focus. Constant pings and notifications make it harder for kids to concentrate, learn, and enjoy deep focus.



Family life

Phones can quietly dominate home life — fuelling arguments, draining attention, and crowding out real connection between parents and kids.



Cyberbullying

Conflicts no longer end at the school gate — they follow kids home, with no off switch and no escape.



Sleep

Blue light and late-night scrolling disrupt rest and recovery — leaving kids wired, overtired, and struggling to function the next day.



Grooming

Predators target kids on popular apps like TikTok and Snapchat — especially when they first get unsupervised smartphone access.



Explore the evidence and discover the solution at SMARTPHONEFREECHILDHOOD.ORG

Food Donations Needed

We are urgently appealing for food donations to support local families who are struggling.

As our supplies are running very low we would be very grateful for any donation you can give

Long life items and everyday essentials — including

pasta, sauces, biscuits, lunchbox snacks, toiletries and washing powder — would make a huge difference.

Every donation, no matter the size, helps us provide comfort and stability to those who need it most.

A polite reminder:

Fidget toys and cuddly toys **should not** be brought into school unless agreed with your child's class teacher. We are finding that toys are being broken, lost or shared with friends and then children are becoming upset. This is consequently distracting them from their learning. Please may all toys remain at home. Many thanks for your understanding,



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holiday activities & food

**May Food
Support Pathway**

READ [HERE](#) FOR MORE INFORMATION

Food support during the May half term