



The Catholic School of Saint Gregory The Great

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Newsletter

Weekly News Digest



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HOUSE POINTS
WINNER

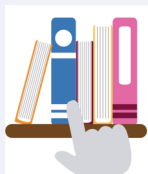
St Teresa

COOL CATS
100%
ATTENDANCE

Y1 Butterwell

POSITIVE MIND
VIBES

A huge well done
to all the Y6
children who sat
their SATs this
week; they all
worked so hard
and showed such
determination.
We are proud of
you all!



St Gregory's
[Virtual Library](#)



A beautiful, smart, tidy
uniform.

APP SAFETY GUIDES

[CLICK HERE](#)

Y5 REMINDER

Can we please remind Y5 parents that secondary schools are starting to have their open mornings/evenings for secondary school. Please ensure you visit the secondary school's website for dates and times.

If you want your child to take the grammar test, please make sure you register your child as soon as possible.

Reading

Did you know that children who read books often at age 10 and more than once a week at age 16 gain higher results in maths, vocabulary and spelling tests at age 16 than those who read less regularly? And that reading for pleasure early in childhood is linked to better cognitive performance and mental wellbeing in adolescence?

Reading has so many benefits, not just educational. Please try to read at least 4 times a week with your child and record in their reading diary so we can celebrate their successes.



New Club

Club: Crafty Spanish Club

What: Come and create craft while learn introductory Spanish by listening, speaking and doing. All in the fun environment of making a craft at the same time.

Who: EYFS - Y2

When: Term 6 - Tues after school 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd 30th

Time: 3.15 -4pm

Price: £25 for 5 sessions

Book: Book a space on ParentPay





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Ascension Liturgy

This week, we took part in an Ascension Liturgy with Deacon John. The children took part in Benediction (quiet prayer) and sang beautifully. Thank you to Miss Aldred for organising this special liturgy.



Volunteer Needed

We're looking for a garden maintenance volunteer to help keep our school space thriving. If you enjoy being outdoors, don't mind a bit of weeding or pruning, and want to make a positive difference locally, we'd love to hear from you. The time commitment is flexible, and all experience levels are welcome. Please get in touch with the office if you're interested in volunteering. Thank you!

Gloucestershire Family Hubs and Aspire Foundation Supports

[Gloucestershire Family Hubs](#) bring together support for children, young people, and families across the county. They are being developed countywide to make it easier for families to access the right help at the right time. Aspire Foundation works closely with Family Hubs in the Cheltenham and Tewkesbury localities, offering practical support, early years expertise, and community based services for families.

[Family Hubs](#) are designed to be welcoming, inclusive spaces where families can find information, and guidance on a wide range of topics. Whether you need a quick conversation, ongoing support, or help navigating local services, Gloucestershire Family Hubs make it easier to get connected.

Spare Pants

We have spare pants in school for children who occasionally have a toilet accident. Can we please ask that if your child has had a change in school to please wash and return these to school.

Can we please also ask that if anyone can donate pants sizes:
4-5 years,
6-7 years

We would be very grateful.

Thank you!

Next Steps In Mind Cheltenham Group

A drop-in support group for parents & caregivers



All parents & caregivers with children under 5 welcome

Where: Hester's Way Children's Centre
Cheltenham, GL51 0ES

When: Starting Thursday 16th April
Every Thursday (term time only)

Time: 1:00pm - 2:30pm

✓ No booking needed - just drop in

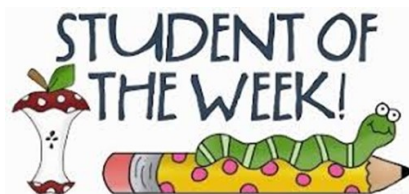
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**HOME
START**
North and West
Gloucestershire

DID YOU KNOW?



The Honeybee has no lungs at all. Bees breathe through ten pairs of tiny holes along their body called spiracles - like portholes on a ship. Air travels directly through a network of tubes to every cell, bypassing the bloodstream entirely. They've been doing this successfully for around 120 million years.



EYFS - Aruli & Henryk
Y1 - Amelia & Averin
Y2 - Mark & Freddy
Y3 - Anwen &

Y4 - Eric
Y5 - Charlie & Nicola
Y6 - Whole Year Group

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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!



GKR KARATE
KARATE FOR EVERYONE

NEW CLASS OPENING
ROWANFIELD

STARTS TUESDAY 21st APRIL 2026

Rowanfield Junior School
Alstone Lane, Cheltenham GL51 8NY

DISCOUNTED REGISTRATION & FREE UNIFORM FOR NEW MEMBERS!
CLASSES SUITABLE FOR FAMILIES, ADULTS & CHILDREN (5 YEARS+)

FIND OUT MORE INFO:
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The Phone Zone, a local phone and device repair shop based in Cheltenham town centre.

Serving the local community for over 18 years. They provide fast and reliable repairs for:

- Mobile phones
- Tablets & iPads
- Charging issues
- Screen replacements
- Battery replacements
- Software issues
- Water damage diagnostics

Located at: The Phone Zone, 23 Pittville Street, Cheltenham GL52 2LN (Next to CEX & M&S Food Hall)



Can you run a club?
Can you lead an after school club? Do you know someone who can? Do you want to earn some extra income?

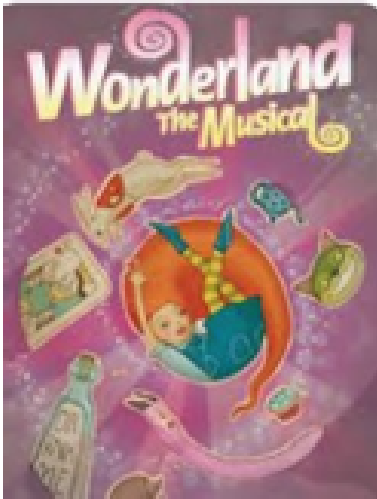
We are looking to do more afterschool clubs from September 2026 and we need you! Would you like to run an afterschool club for our children from September 2026.

If you are free on a Monday or Tuesday from 3.15—4pm and you are interested please let the office know. Ideas are welcome but check out some examples below:

Karate / Martial Arts / Sport / Drawing / Dance / Street Dance / Modern Dance / Ballet / Yoga / Scouts / Brownies / Coding / First Aid / Craft / Sewing / Knitting / Crocheting / Science / Art / Clay Model / Music.

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and expects all staff, and volunteers, to share the same commitment. Therefore an enhanced DBS check will be carried out.

The Catholic School of Saint Gregory The Great



Is proud to present

The Year 6 Production of ‘Wonderland’

After many weeks of rehearsals the Year 6 Production is finally here!

The performances will be in the Main School Hall on

Tuesday 23rd June at 5.30 pm
Wednesday 24th June at 7.00 pm
Thursday 25th June at 7.00 pm

Ticket prices are:
Adult £3.50
Child £2.00

Tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis

Once you have booked your tickets on Edulink please send your cash payment into the School Office in a clearly labelled envelope (child's name, class and amount enclosed)

To avoid disappointment, make sure that you book your tickets on Edulink in advance

No payment can be taken on the night
No tickets will be issued but we will check off names at the door

The booking system is open to Year 6 until 10th June
after which it will be opened out to the rest of the school
Tickets are limited to 180 per night

*Bring family and friends for a night
of fun and entertainment.
Don't miss out, book early!*



St Greg's WHOLE SCHOOL PROBLEM SOLVING! ?



Together we love to problem solve. ❤️

In the last week of every half term, we drop everything and have a **whole-school** problem-solving session.

This is an opportunity for all children to work together and use their problem-solving skills and strategies to solve a range of problems.



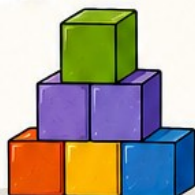
This term, we would like to encourage you to
problem solve at home
Here are three problems that you could try!



PROBLEM 1

TOWER OF BLOCKS

Here is a tower made from cubes.



- ★ How many cubes are in the tower?
- ★ Can you build a different tower using 6 cubes? Draw a picture of your tower.
- ★ How many towers can you draw?

PROBLEM 2

THE MATHS TRICK

1. Think of one of the numbers from 1 to 9.
2. Add 9 to your number.
3. Add the digits of your answer together.
What is your new number?



What do you notice?



Try the trick again with a new starting number from 1 to 9.
What do you notice now?
Can you explain what is happening?



Will this always happen if you start with a number from 1 to 9?

PROBLEM 3

MAKE 37

Four bags contain a large number of 1s, 3s, 5s and 7s.

Can you pick ten numbers from the bags that add up to 37?



★ 1 3 5 7 ★



Is this possible?
Explain your reasoning.



VISUALISING



PATTERN SPOTTING



TRIAL AND IMPROVEMENT



CONJECTURING



WORKING BACKWARDS



WORKING SYSTEMATICALLY



Ask your child to bring in their answers and explanations (encourage them to be **creative** and show their working out **visually**) and Mrs Barnes will reward them with a **sticker**.



BEST EXPLANATIONS WILL WIN A SMALL PRIZE!

HAVE FUN, BE CURIOUS AND ENJOY SOLVING TOGETHER!

