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# St Gregory CEVC Primary School NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents / Carers,

Happy New Year! With Christmas and the New Year festivities nothing more than a distant memory away, we look forward to an exciting Spring Term ahead...

### ParentMail.

Communicating with parents is an important part of what we do, making sure you get the correct information about activities, events and things that really matter is something we care about.

ParentMail texting and email service is our main form of contacting you to keep you up to date. Registering on ParentMail is simple, only takes a minute and can be done from a PC or mobile phone. (Please call into our school office to obtain a letter with your unique code on to register).



### Poppy Appeal.

Thank you very much for helping us support this appeal, we raised a total of £54.63.



### BBC Children in Need.

Thank you very much for helping us support this appeal, we raised a total of £319.62.



### Christmas Shoeboxes.

Thanks to those of you who brought in shoeboxes, we managed to collect 83 boxes in total for the year 2014.



### Xmas Jumper Day.

Thank you very much for helping us support this charity, we raised a total of £143.25.



### Red Nose Day.

The school will be supporting Comic Relief this year. Look out for some exciting news soon on the unique way that we will be doing this...!



### Maths Week.

We held a whole school Maths Week back in March of last year and raised a total of £831.00, this will be used to purchase much needed maths resources for our classrooms. A huge thank you for your support with this.



### FoSGS Christmas Fete.

A huge thanks for all the work that the FoSGs did to ensure that we had such a successful Christmas fete. £839.26 was raised which will go to directly benefit the children at our school. Thanks also to everyone who supported the Christmas fete in any way.

### Data Collection.

Please could I remind all parents to complete and return to the school office your child's data collection forms, it is vital that this information is kept up to date in case we need to contact you in an emergency.

### Parents Evenings.

Parents Evenings this term will be on Wednesday 28th January, 3.40-5.30pm and Wednesday 4th February 3.50-6.10pm for Redwood and Lime Classes and Thursday 26th February, 3.30-5.30pm and Thursday 5th March, 3.30-6.30pm for Cherry, Maple, Oak, Willow, Beech, Ash and Palm Classes. Booking forms are now up in the packed lunch room and the mobile rooms to make your appointment. Rapid Reports will be sent out for all classes (apart from Redwood and Lime) on Tuesday 24th February.

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**PD Day.**

There will be a Teachers' training day on Friday 13th February, the Friday before half term. The school is closed to children on that day.

**Penalty Notices.**

Just a quick reminder that Penalty Notices will be issued by Suffolk County Council if your child has 8 sessions of unauthorised absence. The cost of this is £60.00 **each** parent/carer for each child.

**KS2 SATs Tests.**

Now that we have Yr.6 students, it is absolutely imperative that Yr.6 children are in school throughout May and do not take any time off, particularly w/b: 11th May, when KS2 SATs tests have to be taken. These are nationally agreed dates that St. Gregory's has to comply with now that we have Yr.6 students.

**School Nurse Parent Drop In.**

Just a reminder that our School Nurse will be available to discuss any concerns you have with your child on Tuesday 3rd February at 9.00am.

**Sporting Glory.**

Well done to our fabulous football team, who took part in the County Finals at Bury St Edmunds on Saturday. They represented the school superbly, just losing out in the semi-finals before finishing a very respectable 4th overall. Congratulations to all of the players, and special thanks to Mr Warner for coaching them and Mrs Williams for her support and encouragement of the team, as well as everyone who came along to cheer them on.

**Writing Workshops.**

Thank you to those parents and carers who attended our KS1 Writing Workshops this half term. The aim of these sessions is to help familiarise you with what is expected of children in each school year, and some of you were certainly surprised at how much things have changed since your own time in school! We will be holding similar workshops for KS2 on Tuesday 3rd and Thursday 12th March - you should already have received a letter about these.

**And finally...****Coffee Afternoon.**

I would like to invite you to come along to a coffee

afternoon this Thursday 29th January, to say hello and have an informal chat about school. The coffee afternoon will take place in the hall from 3.30pm and it would be great to see you there. In the meantime, please feel free to contact the school office to make an appointment with me if there is anything you would like to discuss.

Best wishes,

Daniel Woodrow  
Acting Headteacher