# St. Gregory's Roman Catholic Primary School

## Year 1 Newsletter - Autumn 2025



### Reading

Reading is one of our main focusses in Year 1.

Your child will be given a reading book in correlation with their phonics group. We expect books to be brought into school daily so that we can read with the children in school. Please listen to your child reading as much as possible and sign their reading record as completed. You will see a sunflower stuck in the front cover of their yellow reading record. When they have read 5 times in a week, staff in school will colour in a petal. If the sunflower is complete each half term, they will receive a prize.

We are very grateful for all the support that you give with reading. It is the expectation that children read at least 5 times a week.

#### Homework

Children will receive homework every Friday and it will be due in the following Wednesday. This will consist of reading, spelling and number skills Please encourage your child to complete each week.

If you have any questions or concerns please do contact us. We will always do our best to help.

We look forward to teaching your child this year and are very excited to be part of their journey at St Gregory's.

## Class Teachers: Miss Rigby

Teaching Assistant: Mrs McGinlay, Mrs Whiteside and Mrs Grieff

## English

This term we will focus on writing simple sentences linked to the work we do within phonics and learning to hold them in our head, focussing on letter formation.

Our class texts this term will be Cave Baby and Astro Girl and we will be discussing these in depth.

#### Maths

We are working with numbers to 20, focusing on skills of addition and subtraction. We will be learning to count in tens and twos as well as our number bonds to 10 e.g. 5+5, 6+4 etc.

#### Science

n Science, we are learning about the Seasons of the year and what happens each Season. We will also be learning the months of the year and which Season they fall in.

#### PI

PE will take place every Monday. Please ensure children have full PE kit in school labelled with the child's name and that earrings are removed. PE kits will be sent home half termly to be washed.

#### RE

In RE we will be learning about Families and how we are part of God's Family. We will also learn about Baptism and as we approach Christmas, we will learn about Jesus' birth.

## Geography

In Geography we will be learning about the United Kingdom and the countries within the UK. We will be looking at the capital cities and the flags making up the Union Jack.

#### History

In History we are learning about Remembrance Sunday and why we remember the Wars. We will visit the Cenotaph in Farnworth.

#### Design & Technology

In Design and Technology, we are looking at how structures are made and what they are made from. We will be designing and making a house for our teddy bears and will host a teddy bears picnic at the end of term.

#### Art

In Art, we are continuing with our topic of remembrance and focusing on poppies. We will look at Paul Cummins work, Blood Swept Lands and Seas of Red to create our own art installation.