

Parent Newsletter

Week Ending: 9th January 2026 (A)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Celebration of the Word – 6 th Form	Celebration of the Word – Year 11	Celebration of the Word – Year 10	Whole School Reading Slot	PSHE
Celebration of the Word – Year 9	Celebration of the Word – Year 8	Celebration of the Word – Year 7		
	Epiphany Masses			
	P3 - 11.30 - 12.30 - Y8 & Y11			
	P4 - 12.30 - 1.30 – Y9 & Y10			
	P5 - 2.00-3.00 - Y7 & 6th Form			
	3.45pm - SLT meeting			

Attendance – The top attending forms for week beginning 15th December 2025

Gold – 7A
Silver – 9B
Bronze – 9M

Commendations -Form points for week beginning 15th December 2025

Gold – 9H
Silver – 7J
Bronze – 9A

Catholic Social Teaching Focus

The Catholic Social Teaching of Human Dignity reminds us that every person is created in the image and likeness of God. During the Christmas holidays, we celebrated the birth of Jesus, who came into the world to show the value and worth of every human life. As members of our St Gregory's community, we are called to recognise this dignity in ourselves and in everyone we meet. The love, joy, and generosity we experienced over Christmas should continue to shape how we live our

lives each day. Human dignity is shown through kindness, respect, forgiveness, and care for others, especially when it is difficult. As we begin this new term, we are given a fresh start to act with positivity and purpose. May we choose words and actions that build others up and reflect our faith. Let this term at St Gregory's be one where we truly live out our belief in the dignity of every person.

Sunday 4th January - Gospel Focus

John 1:1-18

In the beginning was the Word: and the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning.

Through him all things came to be, not one thing had its being but through him. All that came to be had life in him and that life was the light of men, a light that shines in the dark, a light that darkness could not overpower.

A man came, sent by God.

His name was John.

He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light, so that everyone might believe through him.

He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the light.

The Word was the true light that enlightens all men; and he was coming into the world.

He was in the world that had its being through him, and the world did not know him.

He came to his own domain and his own people did not accept him.

But to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to all who believe in the name of him who was born not out of human stock or urge of the flesh or will of man but of God himself.

The Word was made flesh, he lived among us, and we saw his glory, the glory that is his as the only Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.

John appears as his witness. He proclaims: 'This is the one of whom I said:

He who comes after me ranks before me because he existed before me.'

Indeed, from his fullness we have, all of us, received – yes, grace in return for grace, since, though the Law was given through Moses, grace and truth have come through Jesus Christ.

No one has ever seen God; it is the only Son, who is nearest to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

Gospel Reflection

During the Christmas holidays, we celebrated that *the Word was made flesh and lived among us*.

Jesus came as the light that shines in the darkness, bringing hope and new beginnings.

As we return to St Gregory's for a new term, we are invited to welcome that light into our lives.

Through our words and actions, we can reflect Christ's grace and truth each day.

Like John the Baptist, we are called to be witnesses to the light for others.

This means choosing kindness, honesty, and forgiveness in our school community.

May this new term be a positive start where we live as children of God.

Lord Jesus,
Word made flesh, thank you for the light of Christmas that remains with us.
As we begin this new term, help us to walk in your grace and truth.
Guide our thoughts, words, and actions so we may reflect your light at St Gregory's.
Give us courage to be witnesses of kindness and hope to everyone we meet.
May this term be filled with learning, growth, and your love.
Amen.