

# St. Gregory's News



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## Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope all our families have enjoyed the half term break. With the sun shining brightly this morning, it is easy to feel cautiously optimistic about the changes we will be able to begin to make in school as we carefully come out of lockdown. We are still of course keeping up our routines and systems that have worked well for us so far. As we hurtle towards the end of term, school is busier than ever. We have tried to book in some events but will need to wait for advice on whether they can go ahead as planned and if we can invite parents to any of these events. We hope that the government roadmap continues to go ahead so we can open our school up more freely towards the end of the Summer Term.

Kindest regards,

Mrs A Dunne

## Sun Protection

Summer appears to be here! If appropriate, sun cream should be applied before leaving home in the morning. As you know, we have little shelter on our school yard and field, so please provide a cap or hat for your child during sunny weather. We do encourage the children to take a break when it gets warm and seek shelter under the trees on the field, or in the shade of the building. Children are also reminded to drink more water throughout the warmer days.

## Reading Week

You will be receiving information from Mrs Squares regarding our sponsored read. Week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021 all children will aim to read as many books as possible. We have set a target to read of 500 books and hope that collectively we will be able to reach this target or even exceed it. We would like to ask for your support for this as we would like to buy new books for our newly decorated and furnished library. As we missed out celebrating World Book Day this year, the School Council have decided to round off our reading week on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June to come to school dressed as a character from a book. Please do not feel you need to go out and buy expensive dressing up outfits, some of the best and most creative costumes are usually the ones that have been home made.

## School Uniform

Please can I remind everyone politely that children should be coming into school in full uniform, including black school shoes, not trainers (unless it is a PE day). PE kits should also be a white t-shirt and if children are wearing a PE jumper, it should be either their school sweatshirt or cardigan. I do realise that this has been a very tough year for people financially and I appreciate that some families may not be in a position to buy new school shoes mid term. I have also been informed that trainers have never been allowed and have always been challenged by the Headteacher. If you have found this not to be the case, I can only assume

that this was an oversight. From September we expect to refer back to the old system of PE kits being kept in school and full uniform including black shoes and not trainers.

Can I also ask that you label your child's uniform – often during the hot weather we end up with a mountain of sweatshirts/cardigans that belong to no one!

Thank you for your support- we are very proud of how smart our children look in their full school uniforms.

#### **SAPA**

If you have any uniform items that are in good condition, please send them into school for us to recycle.

We hope to have a selection of school wear that parents can re-use. If possible a small donation may be made towards school. If you have some spare time and are willing to help with this project please contact school for more information.

#### **Dates for your Diary:**

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| 14.6.21 | Reading Activities Week   |
| 18.6.21 | Reading week celebration – dress up as your favourite character day |
| 21.6.21 | <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b> - staff training                               |
| 7.7.21  | Reception and Year 1 visit to Whitehouse Farm                       |
| 12.7.21 | Year 6 Leavers' Liturgy with cluster schools                        |
| 13.7.21 | Sports Day tbc  |
| 14.7.21 | Year 6 visit to Adventure Sunderland                                |
| 16.7.21 | End of year reports out to parents                                  |
| 21.7.21 | Year 6 celebration afternoon  |
| 22.7.21 | Leavers' Mass tbc   |
| 23.7.21 | End of term   |