



# St Gregory the Great Bulletin

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## Assembly this week



The Gospel reading for assembly this week is Matthew 25:1-13, the parable of the talents. We will also be revisiting our Ready, Respectful, Safe behaviour code, including the basics of attendance & punctuality, behaviour for learning and caring for the school campus.

## Year 11 Pre Public Exams – Well Done!

We were really pleased with the positive attitude Year 11 students brought to their PPEs last week. They are getting their papers back now. The key to success is to learn from any mistakes in the exam and follow the feedback from teachers. Parents & carers can support year 11 students by taking a key interest in their PPE results, and their plans for improving.

## Year 10 Pre Public Exams – Get Ready Now!

PPEs for year 10 are scheduled for the week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> December – in two weeks. You can find advice about supporting your child here:

<http://stgregory.oxon.sch.uk/prepare-to-perform-support-your-child-through-their-exams/>

All Different

## Anti-Bullying Competition

All Equal

A reminder that the deadline for entries is the end of November. Students can hand in entries to their Tutor or to Dr. Caseby.

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

## Important dates:

Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Year 10 Information Evening
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 10 Pre-Public Examinations (all week)
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Sixth Form Parent/Tutor Evening
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Carol Service
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of Autumn Term (early closure)
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	First Day of Spring Term
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 11 Parent / Teacher Evening
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	Sixth Form Options Evening (for Year 11 students)
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 9 Parent / Teacher Evening
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Sixth Form Parent / Teacher Evening
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	February Half Term Holiday
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Year 7 Parent / Teacher Evening
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 10 Parent / Teacher Evening
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Last Day of Spring Term (early closure)
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	First Day of Summer Term
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Year 8 Parent / Teacher Evening
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday – school closed
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> May – Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> June	May Half term Holiday
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Last Day of School Year (early closure)

# Traffic Safety on Campus



Thank you to all parents and carers who drive safely and considerately on campus. This item is not aimed at you.

There was a serious incident last week where, unbelievably, a driver stopped *on a pedestrian crossing* to let passengers out of their car. The hazard this created resulted in an injury to a child. Fortunately nobody was seriously hurt on this occasion.

Several parents have raised concerns about the small minority of thoughtless drivers who are putting children at risk because of their poor driving: ignoring the clear signage and road markings, and acting with no consideration for pedestrians or other road users.

All drivers should park only in marked bays, **never** on double yellow lines. Duty staff members are there to look after children. They are not traffic wardens and should not have to address poor driving or parking. When they do, they should not be subjected to rudeness.

The safety of children is our concern. We are working with the council on traffic management, but if it becomes necessary to close the drive at the start and end of the day to keep pupils safe, then we will do so.

## Uniform



We are told by our uniform suppliers that all uniform orders have now been sent out. We are therefore confident that there should be no good reason for pupils not to be in full school uniform.

Parents and carers should have received a text stating that we will be checking uniform from today (Monday). If you did not receive this, please check with us that we have your up-to-date contact details.

Members of the Leadership Team will be detaining pupils not in uniform at the gate. Students not in correct uniform will be sent home to change, or will work in isolation from other students. We also have a ready supply of second hand uniform which we can provide on a temporary basis if necessary.

If your child arrives out of uniform, her/his Director of Learning will need to follow this up with you. Your child will receive an after school detention.

Thank you for supporting us in helping all St Gregory's students to look smart. In particular, please look out for:

- Jeans instead of school trousers
- Trainers
- Sweatshirt/hoody rather than a coat
- Other clothes packed in a bag (to change into after leaving home in uniform)

OXFORD CITY HOOPS BASKETBALL CLUB  
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Do you want to play basketball?

Why not come and play at Oxford Hoops? This friendly and inclusive club is currently recruiting players of all ages and abilities - boys and girls welcome. Children from age 9 are welcome to join the U12 session.

Come for a trial session on Saturday at St Gregory the Great School, Cricket Road, Oxford, OX4 3DR

U12	9-10.30am
U14	10.30-12pm
U16	12-1.30pm
Over 16s	1.30-3pm

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