



# St Gregory the Great Bulletin

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## Assembly this week

On Sunday we celebrated the Feast of Christ the King. Our Gospel reading for assembly this week is Matthew 25:31-36, the parable of the sheep and the goats.

We are reminded that Jesus is presented as a priest, prophet and King. During tutor time this week, students are exploring what it means to be 'prophetic' – speaking out for what we believe in.

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

PPEs for year 10 are scheduled for the week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> December. 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

The deadline for entries is **this Friday**. Students can hand in entries to their Tutor or to Dr. Casey. We've already had some brilliant ones!

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

## Advent 2017

Next Sunday is the First in Advent. We will once again be running our successful 'Reverse' Advent Calendar for charity during Advent – full details in the newsletter out on Friday.

## Important dates:

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)

## Youth Awards



We are delighted to announce that Adam Berry and Angel Wanjiru have been announced as joint winners of the prestigious St Josephine Bakhita Award.

This national annual award recognises young people who have enabled others to live a life of dignity.

Angel and Adam were both students in Year 11 at St Gregory's last year. They received the award for their work for Oxfordshire Young Carers, working not just at St Gregory's, but across the county to help schools improve their provision for young carers.

Angel is now studying in our Sixth Form and Adam is now employed in our ICT Services department, so they have both remained in the St Gregory's family.

You can read more about the award here:

<http://millionminutes.org/st-josephine-bakhita-award/>

If you know an exceptional young person who embodies the principles of dignity and equality, of service to the poor and the oppressed, of care for the world, and the promotion of peace and solidarity, why not nominate them for an award?

## Traffic Safety on Campus



Thank you to all parents and carers who drive safely and considerately on campus. We can all help keep children safe at school by:

- Keeping to the one-way system (cyclists too!)
- Observing the 5mph speed limit on the drive
- Parking only in the marked bays, never on the double yellow lines
- Keeping young children with us when we leave (children should be supervised in the car park)
- Giving pedestrians right of way

## Uniform

It's great to see students arriving each day looking smart and ready for school in their navy blue St Gregory's uniform. Thanks to parents and carers for supporting our new uniform

Remember that 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.