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Little Gregs
Pre-School

Dear Little Gregs Families,

I really cannot believe how quick the pre-school year has flown by. We are now moving into the last term of 2021/2022.

I would like to thank the parents who spoke with the Ofsted inspector, she was pleased with the positive parental feedback! The inspection was tough with the EYFS curriculum changes September 2021 and Ofsted updated their criteria February 2022. I am super proud of the Little Gregs Team! Once Ofsted publish and give their consent, I will share our report with you all. The pre-school was last inspected 2014, under the old Ofsted criteria. It was a long time waiting.

I would like to thank Little Gregs Families for sharing our fantastic pre-school with other future parents. I have completed a number of show rounds and they are all 'word of mouth'.

All staff are busy writing end of year reports, these will be shared via Tapestry July 2022. Children moving to Primary school, September 2022. I am getting ready for transition handover and have made contact with a few schools on the list. Please ensure you let me know your child's school to support transition to primary school.

We are looking forward to future events, Father Day Forest Treat, Sports Day, Big Wheel Trip/Picnic by the River and St Gregory's have a Summer Fete, which Little Gregs will be at. Miss Gemma, is looking for some pre-school children who attend pre-school on Monday AM session to join her at the summer fete to show a dance she has taught the pre-school children. If you are interested in this, please contact me via email.

Kind Regards.

Sarah Wilkes

Pre-School Manager

Reminders:

-If your child is absent you must inform the pre-school by 9am. Please phone or email. This has to be done for each day of absence.

-Water bottle needed for each session. Please ensure the bottle is clearly labelled.

-Please label all your child's belongings. They should have a full change of clothing including socks.

-No Nuts in snack boxes or packed lunches.

-Hot Lunches can be ordered daily at the gate when you drop off.

-For sunny days, please ensure your child has a sun hat (clearly named).

-Please apply sun cream before your child attends pre-school.

Dates for the Diary	
Half Term	Monday 30 th May - Friday 3 rd June 2022
Return to Pre-School	Monday 6 th June 2022
Pre-School Photos 'Sarah Taylor'	Tuesday 7 th June 2022
Warwickshire County Council 'Warwick the Bear' To visit pre-school. Friday AM Session children	Friday 10 th June 2022

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only.	
Pre-School Open Afternoon	Saturday 11 th June 2022
Father's Day Forest Treat 3.45-4.45pm	Friday 17 th June 2022
Lions and Tigers Sport's Day (Friday Morning Session Children) 10am - 11.15am.	Friday 8 th July 2022
St Gregory's Summer Fete	Saturday 9 th July 2022
Last Day of Summer Term	Thursday 21 st July 2022

Big wheel and picnic by the river.

Cubs, Lions and Tigers.

Wednesday 29th June 2022

Thank you to the parent's helpers, we have enough parents to support this trip. I am in the process of completing the risk assessment and receiving parental consent. Parent helpers with a DBS will be included in the adult/child: ratio. Parents without a DBS will have their own child and one other to walk into town.

If you would not like your child to go on the big wheel, this is fine. As not all adults will be going on the wheel. The cost of this trip will be covered by the pre-school.



Lions and Tigers Sport's Day

Friday 8th July 2022

10-11.15am

This is for Friday morning session children only, 'PE with Andy'.

St Gregory's Primary School, are happy for parents to come onto the school site for the sports session, parents must enter/leave the school field at the same time, as one group, so we can ensure the gates are locked behind you. If you are late you will not be allowed onto the school site. A member of Little Gregs Team will meet parents at the main school gate at 9.55am to walk you around to the school field.

A warning that some Nivea sun creams for children now contain almond oil!

As we have children with a nut allergy within the setting. Nivea sun cream containing almond oil, is BANNED from the setting.

Please check your sun cream, before applying or bringing into the pre-school.

If you have concerns please contact your GP.



Cubs

This half term the Cubs have been exploring and discovering all things Spring. We have made a beautiful spring display during creative activities and have sown our wild flowers in our raised bed at nature nursery. Children have also been developing their fine motor skills, drawing, colouring and trying to use scissors to make snips and cut paper. Their gross motor skills have been coming on well, and we are seeing their confidence growing in this area, especially after our dance sessions with Miss Gemma.

We had our delivery of caterpillars just after half term, and everyone in pre-school has enjoyed watching the lifecycle of these little caterpillars. All 5 emerged from their cocoons and we all went up to the school field to release them in the nature garden.

From

Cubs Team



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Lions and Tigers

This half term has been fantastic watching the chicks hatch on 5th May 2022 and learning about the life cycle of the chick. They have been very noisy, each child had a different character and it was great fun, watching them grow and change from a fluffy chick to developing their outdoor feathers. Everyone in pre-school has enjoyed the chicks.

Forest school, and bug hunting was great! We went to visit the pond on the grounds of St Gregory's, bug hunting opened up great opportunities for communication and language, expanding on knowledge of the world.

We have also planted a range of bedding plants, sweet peas, corn on the cob and strawberry plants at forest school. We will be taking care of them over the coming weeks.

Dance with Miss Gemma, has been fantastic the children have learnt dance moves and each week it has been noticeable how the child's gross motor skills developed. P.E with Andy is great, with have been developing our gross motor skills, playing games and using P.E equipment. The children have also been learning, it's all about taking part and not winning all the time.

We learnt how to stay safe online and who we can ask to help us while online. The children have learnt different methods of technology and been exploring equipment through play.

From

Lions and Tigers Team



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Father's Day Forest Treat

Friday 17th June 2022

3.45-4.45pm

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Little Gregs Pre-School.

Forest School Area.

Dee from Forest Foxes will be leading the session.

The Little Gregs Children would like to invite Daddy to a forest treat to celebrate a fantastic job you do!

One invite per family.



Please let the pre-school office know your attendance.



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Open Afternoon

Little Gregs Pre-School is situated in the grounds of St Gregory's Catholic Primary school in Stratford-Upon-Avon

We have full disabled access and facilities. We provide term time only day-care from 8.30am to 3.30pm (We offer extended care for our pre-school children 3-4years, till 5pm within our afterschool Club LG provision.)

The environment is set up as two areas; under and over 3's both led by a room leader. Both age groups have separate outdoor spaces. Our setting has use of a nature nursery area; developing the use of real tools and exploring the outdoor environment safely.

If you would like to look around our wonderful setting and speak with the Pre-School Manager and meet the Deputy Manager, we are offering individual appointments.



SATURDAY

11th June 2021

1pm - 4PM



To book an appointment, please call

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Or Email

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