



FRIDAY LETTER

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Prayer for All Saints Day

Dear God,
thank you for the example of the Saints.
I desire to join in their company,
worshiping you forever in Heaven.

Please help me follow their footsteps,
and yours, Jesus Christ.

Please help me to conform
myself to Your image,
seeking Your will in all things,
as the Saints did.

Please help me to devote myself,
and all that I do, to Your glory,
and to the service of my neighbours.

Amen.



KEY DATES

28th October - 1st November	Half term
1st November	All Saints day
2nd November	All Souls day
4th November - 8th November	Castlerigg Year 10 Retreat
11th November	Start of Year. 11 Mocks
20th November	Red Wednesday
27th November	Year 11 photos
5th December	GCSE Awards Evening

REMINDERS

Student Absences

Call school on 01229 814 560

Do not forget

Year 11 mocks start week beginning
11th November

Remember

There is a staff INSET day on Fri 29th
November, school will be closed

WORDS FROM ST BERNARD

“We seek for truth in ourselves; in our neighbours,
and in its essential nature. We find it first in
ourselves by severe self scrutiny, then in our
neighbours by compassionate indulgence, and,
finally, in its essential nature by that direct vision
which belongs to the pure in heart.”



Congratulations this week to our fantastic students. We are so proud of you

COMMITTED LEARNERS

YR 11

Nicole Robinson, Sophie Bamber, Darcey Thomas, Sienna Wright

YR 10

Maisie McGuckin, Evie Worrall, Kaiden Arts, Chantel Chitehwe

YR 9

Grace Anderson, Ruby Curtis, Alessandria Javier, Lucy Merritt

YR 8

Ed Cush, Alicia Lucas, Kacper Mazur, Olivia Hart

YR 7

Emily Coward, Thalia Kamali, Grace McKenna, Zeb Morrison

EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE

YR 11

Harriet Delaney

YR 10

Akhomiddin Saidov

YR 9

Jack Darby, Aston Hart, Cora Sildatki, Archy Wood

YR 8

Pippa Imison, Evan Job

YR 7

Ariana Agas

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Well done to our Year 11 Sports Studies class who played against Chetwynde this week. They all worked extremely hard.



Another fantastic demonstration of teamwork and resilience this week when our year 7 girls football team played in the Year 7 Barrow Schools Football Festival. Well done girls, you played with great effort and enthusiasm throughout.

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Congratulations to our Year 9 rugby team who managed to beat

Ulverston last night in the town cup semi final. The boys really battled in the 2nd half to come out on top.



Well done to our Year 7 boys who played really well in the semi final of the town cup.

Unfortunately, even though they played really well, UVHS just managed to come out on top.

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Year 10 Work Experience Preparation

Year 10 Work Experience takes place from Monday 10th - Friday 14th February. All year 10 students have the opportunity to complete one weeks work experience.

It is an invaluable opportunity for students to gain an insight into the world of work and develop key skills whilst building their confidence.

All Year 10 students should soon receive a letter in the post giving guidance on accessing the South Lakes and Furness Work Experience database and should now begin the process of organising their placements

Year 11 Careers/Post-16 Opportunities

The BAE early careers team will be in the Portland Walk Careers Inspiration Hub next week to talk about their apprenticeship programmes:

Monday 28th October-Friday 1st November 12noon to 7pm
Saturday 2nd November 10am to 2pm



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PE Kit

We are really proud of our PE department and love the range of sporting activities that happen for our pupil - both during the school day and after school. It is so important that when they are taking part in PE lessons or sporting events, that they are in a full kit.

Please see a link to our uniform page and photos below of our kit

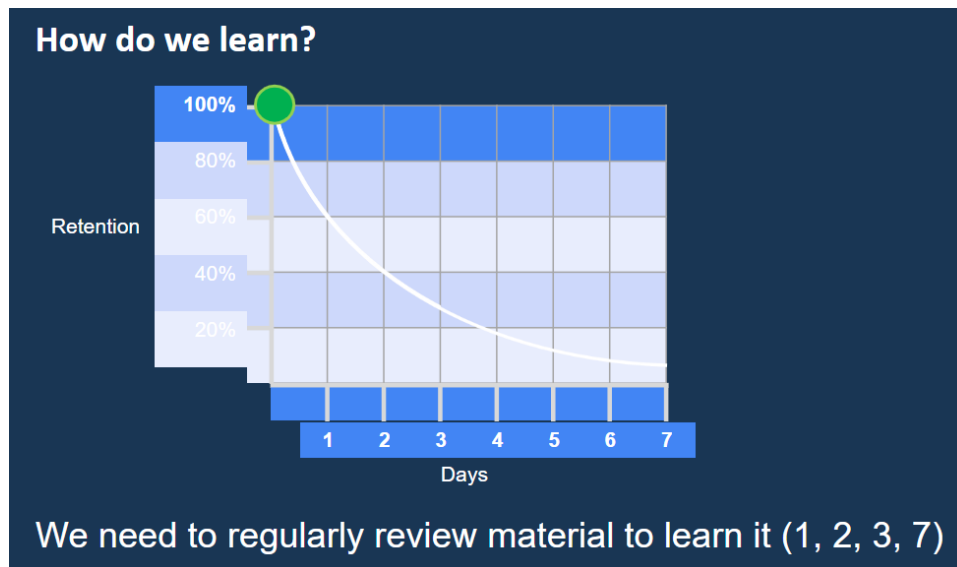
<https://www.stbernardsschool.uk/uniform>

If your child forgets their kit on the day, we have lots of lovely clean spares to use.

We have also noticed that lots of children do not have the correct socks. Just a reminder that all pupils need maroon and blue games socks and should wear them for every PE lesson. These can be purchased from Identity or Amazon. Please contact school if you are struggling to get any bits of kit and we will do our best to help you. Please can we also ask that pupils remove false nails before PE as they cannot take part in all aspects of the lesson safely.



Year 11 - GCSE Tips and Advice



- Get a source of information that contains all the 'stuff' you need to know - websites, revision guides books and past papers are all great places to start.
- Review this 'stuff' at least 4 times over a period of days / weeks. Think about day 1, day 2, day 3 and day 7.
- Be active in this process, try to remember the information from scratch. Find a way that works for you and practice!

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Two of our amazing Year 9 pupils, Cora and Lucy, have signed with Blackpool FC's elite coaching pathway team for this season, alongside playing for their local grassroots team each week.

Recently they travelled to the Etihad stadium to play against the Manchester City academy team in a very close game. A fantastic experience for them both!



Year 10 GCSE Work

They designed and made clocks in their mini practice project using CAD/CAM to laser cut key parts.



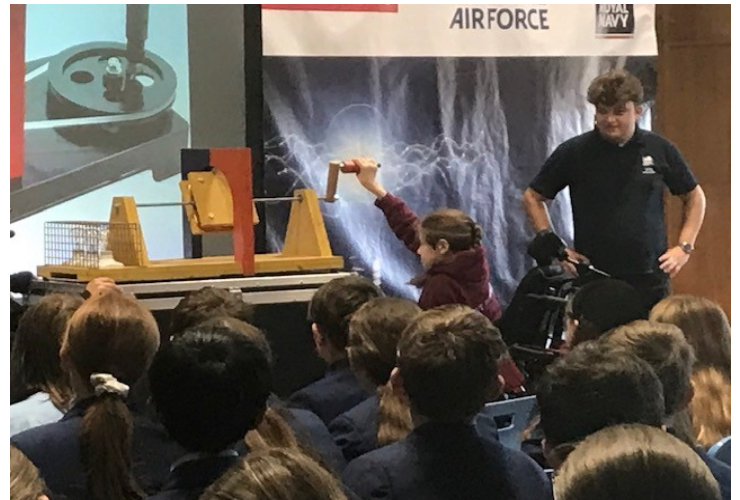
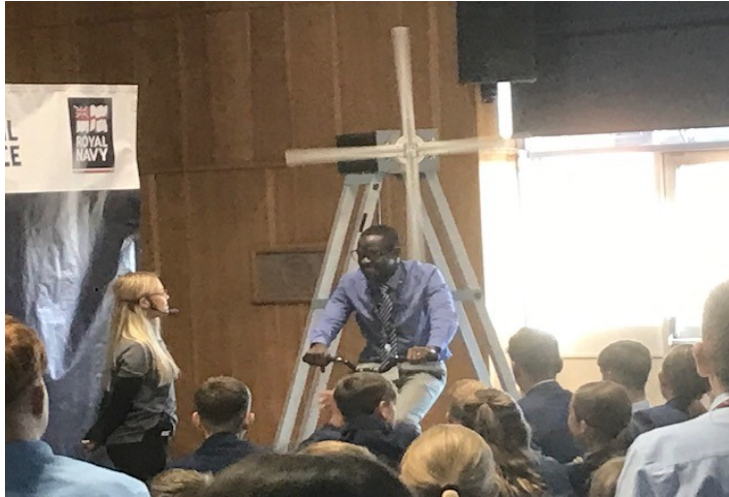
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Designed and made passive amplifiers using tubing using CAD/CAM to laser cut key parts of their projects

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Year 7 and 8 have had a fantastic end to their half term at school with a workshop from the BAE Roadshow. This years theme was electricity and the atmosphere was definitely electric! It was a morning packed with experiments and activities that got everyone's brains and bodies working. A particular favourite was when staff had to pedal as hard as possible to generate power to light up the spinning wheel! A huge thanks to Mr Mullaney for organising - we can't wait for next years!



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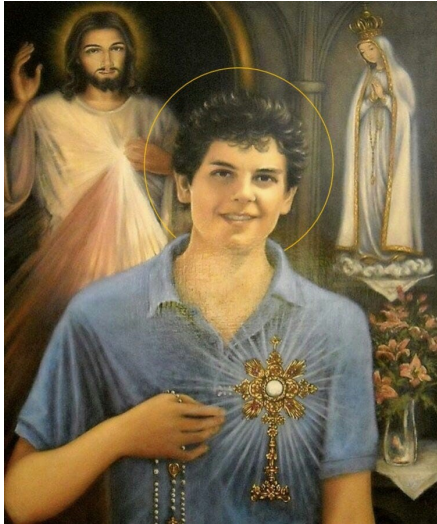
It may seem early, but Mr O'Donnell and the choir are hard at work rehearsing for the various Christmas celebrations at St Bernard's.

The choir meet every week and are always delighted to welcome new members. If you feel like you could contribute to the musical life of St Bernard's, please come along! Choir meet on Thursday after school and the Band meet every Tuesday lunchtime in Mr O'Donnell's classroom (R3)

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Acts of Charity

We continue thinking about Blessed Carlo and how he can inspire us to make small changes around us. We would love all of our pupils to think about what act of charity they could do this term to follow in his footsteps.

Staff would love to help support pupils in this so please come and have a chat. We will be celebrating all of our acts of charity in the Friday letter so please let us know what our amazing pupils are up to on news@stbernardsschool.uk

COMPETITION TIME!

Carlos Phone



In your RE lessons you have learned about BL Carlos. Our phones give big clues to our personalities. Imagine what BL Carlos phone might have been like. The RE department is running a competition with prizes for the best design and explanation!

Entries to R4 - Deadline for entries 8th November

1. Design his wallpaper – then explain your choice.
2. Carlos has received a text. Who is it from? What does it say?
3. Playlist- What are his 3 top songs? Why?

Entries can be hand drawn, collage, computer.

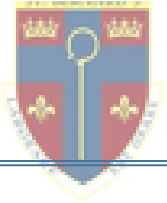
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On Wednesday a number of our pupils went back to their former school, Holy Family, to help with their Harry Potter themed Muggle Mayhem fundraiser, giving several hours after school to run stalls as wonderful ambassadors for St Bernard's.





MESSAGES FROM MR VINCE

First Half Term

It has been a real success this first half term here at St Bernard's. We have deliberately raised standards and expectations for our students and it has been incredible to see how quickly the overwhelming majority of our students have risen to these!! We only want the very best for our students, helping them to become committed learners and exceptional people.

Ruby League!!

I really enjoyed my first real taste of Rugby league this week, when I watched our Year 9 boys play Ulverston High School. It was so great to see our students working together as a team overcome a 10-0 deficit to stage a second half comeback and win the game. The most pleasing aspect for me as Headteacher was to see how composed our team was, keeping their cool, respecting the referee and facing the challenge ahead of them by relying on each other as a team! Inspirational young men!!

Learning Bell

Following our trial this week, we will be implementing the learning bell routine after half term. If a student does arrive to a lesson after the learning bell, without a valid reason, they can expect a consequence. Every moment of learning really matters so we want to maximise each moment!!

News Items and Celebration

Please continue to share your news with us by emailing us on news@stbernardsschool.uk with a short write up and photos and help us celebrate all we are! It is so good to see the newsletter so full each week, so please continue to share!

And finally

On a personal note, can I say a huge thank you for the welcome I have received. I have felt at home very quickly and really enjoying the opportunity to develop our wonderful school. Thank you.

It has also been a really great half term for my beloved Villa!! Top of the champions league table is literally dreamland!! Lets hope for 3 points at home this weekend!

Have a wonderful half term break

God Bless,

Mr Vince

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