



FRIDAY LETTER

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Lord Jesus,

Hear our prayer and reveal your hand in our days. May those things be done that bring your future nearer and that let the world see you as the Saviour who can lead us to our Father. Bless your Word within us. May our hearts be strengthened, and may we always live in your presence.

We draw our life from your Word, from your promise, and we set our hope on you, our Lord and Saviour.

Show your might, Lord Jesus, and carry out the will of God over all the world, so that we may rejoice when we see God's glory appear and his will being done on earth as in heaven.

Amen.

KEY DATES

27th November
29th November
4th December
5th December
10th December
11th December
13th December

Year 11 Photos
INSET day—school closed
University of Chester visit
Bishop Swarbrick visit
Y7, 8 and 9 Christmas dinner
Y10 and 11 Christmas dinner
Nasal flu vaccinations

REMINDERS

Student Absences

Call school on 01229 814 560

Do not forget

Y11 photos are on Wednesday 27th November

Remember

School is closed for INSET on Friday 29th November



WORDS FROM ST BERNARD

‘If you lack self-knowledge you will possess neither the fear of God nor humility’.





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

COMMITTED LEARNERS

YR 11

Freya Chadbourne, Shannon Bateman, Jacob Terre, Jay Steele

YR 10

Aiza Caasalan, Kenzie-Jae Jefferson, Seira Cisyil, Rio Goligy

YR 9

Sienna Terpilowski, Elizabeth Watt, Mateusz Suwala, Bethany Clark

YR 8

Olivia Rodgers, Neja Mathugama Kankanamge, Tianna Quinn, Elizah Robertson

YR 7

Joseph Adebani, Zach Crellin, Emmanuel Adeosun, Elliott Lee

EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE

YR 11

Grace Joshy

YR 10

Chantel Chitehwe

YR 9

Maximus Perry

YR 8

Nevil Tony, John Horton

YR 7

Mueez Chishti

ST BERNARD'S NEWS

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RED WEDNESDAY

We had a brilliant day for Red Wednesday across the school. It was so lovely to see all of our students and staff getting involved and enjoying the day together. We worked with Sacred Heart to sell sweets and goodies and have raised an amazing **£595.83**

Aid to the Church in Need will now match fund this so this makes it **£1190!**



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We want to say a special thank you to the following pupils for how well they represented the school on our Red Wednesday live stream video.

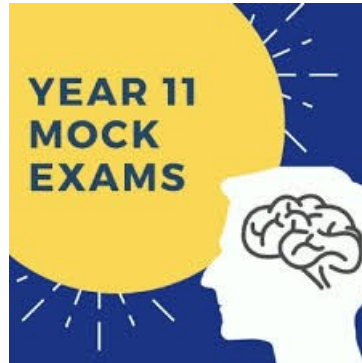
Shannon, Grace, Amelia, Casey, Sofie, Lisa, Alina, Emily-Grace, Adina, Mairead, Jewel, Neja, Alexandra, Ann, Penelope, Maximus, Kate, Mary, Lucia, Tamara, Mila, Mia, George, Freya, Evie-Grace, Riona, Ireoluwa, and Khloe.

You are all amazing and have a bright future in media!

All of our pupils watched the live stream and were so impressed by their town and school being shown nationally. The video really showed what a beautiful area we live in and what exceptional students we have at St Bernard's.



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Mocks

Year 11 mock exams have concluded this week and we are so proud of how well our Year 11 students have conducted themselves. They have shown tremendous resilience in giving the exams their best efforts, well done.

Pupils will receive their results on a mock results day on Wednesday 4th December from 8:30am in the school hall. Reports will follow to parents on Friday 6th December. Year 11 Parent's Evening will be held on Thursday 12th December. If you haven't yet booked your appointments, please use the link sent to your email address to do this.

Next week, after school revision sessions will continue. We have listened to feedback from pupils and teachers and have made some changes to the timetable. The new timetable has been emailed today but next week is as follows:

Monday: RE

Tuesday: English

Wednesday: History/Geography/French

Thursday: Coursework catch up for Creative iMedia, Sports Studies and Art

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Our Year 9 rugby team played in the final at Craven Park on Tuesday night and represented our school amazingly. It wasn't their night to win but we are still extremely proud of each and everyone of them. They never gave up and battled to the end.



Our Year 8 and 9 netball teams enjoyed a great night of netball this week when we took on Chetwynde. There were some excellent netball played by both teams making the experience even more enjoyable.



Our year 7 girls took on Furness Academy this week at netball. It was an enjoyable experience for both teams who displayed excellent team work. Well done girls!



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Our final group had a great evening at Kendal Snowsports, practising for their trip to Austria in January. We are really proud of their level of effort to improve their skills. They are all now looking forward to their trip.



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Careers Fair

Tuesday 26th November

3:30-5:30pm

Representatives from Colleges, Universities, training and apprenticeship providers will all be present.

For **Year 11**, it is a unique opportunity to speak directly to representatives from colleges and local industry all of whom are offering courses and apprenticeships to school leavers for next year.

For **Year 10**, it is an important opportunity to talk to providers about the opportunities that will be available to them in 12 months time.

For **Year 9**, it is an opportunity to discover the potential pathways they may wish to follow in 2 years time as they begin to think about GCSE options.

We strongly encourage you to attend with your son/daughter to support them as they consider their potential future pathways.



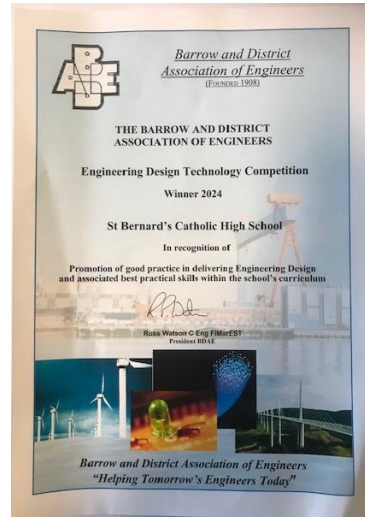
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Last night, St Bernard's attended the BDAE awards evening at Barrow Town Hall. We are so pleased to say that we won the Engineering Design Technology Competition. We won an amazing £1000 towards STEM based work in school.

They were extremely pleased with the work we are doing in school and the progress made with the Kit Car and KS3 projects in DT and Engineering Design. A huge thank you and well done to our STEM staff in school and our exceptional students as well.



Rewards Trips

On Tuesday 17th December, all year groups have the chance to experience with their friends and celebrate being committed learners and exceptional people. The trips are:

Year 7 and Year 8: Disco at St Bernard's

Year 9: See Paddington in Peru at Roxy Cinema, Ulverston

Year 10 and Year 11: Trafford Centre Shopping Centre, Manchester.

If your child would like a place on the trip, please confirm this on Arbor/School Trips as soon as possible and no later than 4th December. This is important so we can confirm potential numbers with the providers and coaches.

Students will be chosen to go if they have excellent attendance, punctuality and receive no consequences greater than a C2 until the date of the trip.

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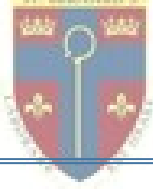
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Spirit of Christmas

We are holding a Christmas event with some of the primary schools from our Trust on Wednesday 18th December at 5pm. It will be an evening of song and story and will involve some St Bernard's pupils as well as a few from each of our feeder schools. We hope it will be a festive and celebratory evening to share together alongside our community.

All of our parents are welcome to come and join in the event with us and get ready for Christmas together.



MESSAGES FROM MR VINCE

#RedWednesday

It was such a wonderful day on Wednesday when we marked Red Wednesday. This is such a powerful example of our students being exceptional people and standing up against injustice in our world. It was also incredible to see St Bernard's, Sacred Heart and Barrow represented on the national live stream – if you have seen our video yet you can check it out here: <https://bit.ly/3UDvk90>. Our part is about 10 minutes in and it is well worth a watch!!

Year 9 Rugby Final

Despite the loss I really enjoyed my first trip to Craven Park. It was absolutely freezing but the team did us proud and it was really great to see so many family and friends out to support the team. Not many people can say they have played at a professional ground, so well done all!!

Year 11 Mocks

Year 11 Mocks have now finished and we were really impressed with the attitude of the students towards the exams. The hard work is not over as over the next few weeks teachers will be feeding back to our students and planning next steps. Remember GCSEs are not a sprint finish but a marathon. So lots of little and often revision will pay off.

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

The premier league returns this weekend and hopefully 3 points (badly needed) for Villa! I know we have quite a few Liverpool fans in the school – so they will be hoping to maintain their lead at the top of the table and I am sure all eyes will be on Portman Road when the latest 'saviour' arrives to try and sort out Man Utd– let's hope the tractor boys don't spoil the party.

Have a wonderful weekend all,

God Bless,

Mr Vince

Headteacher

