

# FRIDAY LETTER

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# PRAYER OF THE WEEK

## Heavenly Father,

This third week of Advent, let us remember that the good news of Jesus' birth has the power to bring us great joy this Christmas season.

Our joy isn't dependent on what is going on in our life, in our world, or the people that we are with. It doesn't depend on the gifts we give or the gifts we find under the tree. No earthly thing can ever give us complete joy.

Our joy comes from you. That joy that flooded the hearts of the shepherds, the angels, the wise men, the hosts of heaven, and Mary and Joseph is the joy that still has the power to overwhelm our hearts with rejoicing.

#### Amen



# **KEY DATES**

17th December 18th December 20th December 20th December 6th January 7th January Rewards Trips
Spirit of Christmas
Carols at Holy Family
Last day of term—finish at 1:15pm
Staff INSET day
First day back at school

# **REMINDERS**

#### **Student Absences**

Call school on 01229 814 560

#### Do not forget

School closes at 1:15pm on Friday 20th December

#### Remember

Share your news with us for the newsletter so we can celebrate all the amazing things our students do! Email news@stbernardsschool.uk

#### WORDS FROM ST BERNARD

"The great Prophet who will build the new Jerusalem will come, the one who makes all things new. This coming will fulfil what is written: As we have borne the likeness of the earthly man, we shall also bear the likeness of the heavenly man.



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

# **COMMITTED LEARNERS**

YR 11

Bobby Dale, Robert Delacruz, Isaac Farrow, Freddie Kenny

YR 10

Casey Forsyte, Ireoluwa Adeyeye, Chantel Chitehwe, Dennice Datinguinoo

**YR 9** 

Aston Hart, Adina Jose, Brogan Brown, Kate Tentativa

YR 8

Jaxon Scholes, Mia Barker, Alexander Houghton, Ann Baiju

**YR 7** 

Savannah Huddleston, Cheryl Sowunmi, Elicia Thompson, Yeshua Mendiola

# EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE YR 11 Alina Thekkanath YR 10 Khloe Alyzza, YR 9 Emily-Grace Chelton, YR 8 Amelia Dixon YR 7 Georgia Bell, Manreet Ghuman

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CATCH UP WITH ALL THE ACTION THIS WEEK FOR OUR WONDERFUL SCHOOL



Our Year 7 girls enjoyed another exciting game of netball against
Furness Academy. We took 2 teams, giving a number of girls their first opportunity to compete in a competitive game. They all worked really hard putting in 100% effort.

Well done girls!

Well done to our Year 7, 7 a side team, who played in the town festival this week. They worked hard all night and displayed great sportsmanship.



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Well done to our Year 7 boys who played against QES Kirkby Lonsdale in the quarter final of the county cup.

Unfortunately, they didn't come out as winners but they were fantastic representatives for our school and we are so proud of them.

Year 8 boys football team had a good win in the county cup this week. A solid team performance and some excellent goals.

After this win, they are now in the semi finals of the competition which will be played in the New Year.



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# Attendance Christmas Challenge



# Ten Days of Christmas Challenge

In order to end the term on a high and get in the Christmas spirit we are running the 10 Days of Christmas Challenge.

Attend all 10 days of the end of term and be in with the chance to win one of 20 Amazon gift cards between £50 and £10.



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# **Spirit of Christmas**

This is on Wednesday next week at 5pm in the School hall. It will be an evening of song and story and will involve some St Bernard's pupils as well as a few from some of our primary 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.



Our choir went to Furness General this week to spread some Christmas cheer and sing a selection of carols. What an amazing group of singers we have!





# MESSAGES FROM MR VINCE

#### Yr. 11 Parent's Evening

It was lovely to see some many parents in school last night for our Year 11 pupils. We know how important this year is and if school and home can work together effectively we give our students the very best chance of success.

Remember there is a wealth of resources and support to help your child so please do get in touch if you need any help or guidance.

## St Bernard's in the Community

We are very much getting into the Christmas Spirit and it has been lovely to see St Bernard's staff and students spreading Christmas Joy in the community. Whether singing carols or even playing the organ for Advent services we are really proud of how are students use their talents to serve others and build up the Kingdom of God. A special thanks also to Mr Pearce and Mrs Bell who lead our Catholic life in (and out!) of school.

#### **Spirit of Christmas**

I am really looking forward to our first ever Spirit of Christmas – having heard all the primaries and St Bernard's pupils practicing this week, I know it will be a real highlight of the year. Even Fr Manny is coming to share his musical talents with us all!! Please do join us at 5pm followed by Christmas refreshments!!

#### And finally

Villa have got back to winning ways with 3 wins in 2 weeks, so I feel like Christmas has come early! I have my fingers crossed for 3 more points this weekend, although the new Man Utd manager found it tough against our opponents last weekend, so I hope we can learn from his mistakes!!!

I really hope to see lots of you at our Spirit of Christmas Celebration this coming Wednesday, you are warmly invited.

Have a wonderful weekend.

God bless.



Headteacher



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