



FRIDAY LETTER

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Lord Jesus Christ, who are called the Prince of Peace, who are Yourself our peace and reconciliation, who so often said, "Peace to you" – please grant us peace.

Make all men and women witnesses of truth, justice and brotherly love. Banish from their hearts whatever might endanger peace. Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee and defend the great gift of peace.

May all peoples on the earth become as brothers and sisters.

May longed-for peace blossom forth and reign always over us all. Amen

St John Paul II



KEY DATES

15th October	Smashed Live!
16th October	Cross Country competition
17th October	Yr. 11 Education Evening
21st October	Beyond Bernard's Careers Week
24th October	Yr. 7 & 8 STEM Road Show
4th November	Castlerigg Yr. 10 Retreat
11th November	Start of Yr. 11 Mocks

REMINDERS

Student Absences

Call school on 01229 814 560

Do not forget

We finish for Half Term Friday 25th October at the normal time of 3:20pm

Remember

Year 11 Education evening this coming week (Thursday 17th October from 5:00pm)

Please do not come up the drive to drop off or collect pupils

WORDS FROM ST BERNARD

“Even the holy men who lived before the coming of Christ understood that God had in mind plans of peace for the human race. “



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

COMMITTED LEARNERS

YR 11

Lexie Sharples, Erin O'Connor, Ellie Murphy, Farron Webster-Baines

YR 10

Finley Tumelty, Alexander Mazur, George Butler, Kal-El Taylor

YR 9

Penelope Wise, Bethany Clark, Elizabeth Watt, Maximus Perry

YR 8

Evan Job, Olivia Hart, Isabella Bonner, Sophie Ogden

YR 7

Aellandia Jelyne Ducusin, Prestyn Akujobi, Joshua Jobin, Brooke Chorlton

EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE

YR 11

Harley Cotton, Cole Selby

YR 10

Hiba Ahmed, James Paule, Dennice Datinguinoo

YR 9

Sienna Terpilowski

YR 8

Coben Wade

YR 7

Lisa Anyanwu

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World Porridge Day—Thursday 10th October 2024

In aid of Mary's Meals, pupils in Year 8, 9 and 10 baked and sold delicious flapjack to mark World Porridge Day, along with our friends and neighbours from Sacred Heart.

In doing so, they raised £107.30 and counting, which equates to an incredible 1073 meals for needy children.

Our monies will go towards Yalumba School in the Chadiza district of Zambia which has 243 children



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At the weekend several of our pupils competed at the MANECCO dance championships for DanceXtreme in Wigan.

The pupils all participate in dance competitions across the North West Region each Sunday. The children have been so dedicated for the last 6 months and at Championships junior division 1, led by Harriet and including team members Evie and Lexie, came home 1st place winners.



Junior Premier division led by past pupil Ava Scarpone (just left) and included Savannah Moorby Year10 and past pupils Keavy McGrogan, Emily Grogan, and Theo Viceroy who came home Runner up 2nd place winners.

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Year 11 Careers Fair

Monday 7th November

As part of their focus on the future after St Bernard's, Year 11 visited the careers fair at The Forum, where our hosts and a number of the employers present praised their engagement with what was on offer, and their conduct throughout the afternoon. The day began with a talk in the grand surroundings of Barrow Town Hall as pictured.



Year 7 Welcome Mass

Last Friday, we marked the fantastic start that our Year 7 pupils have made to life at St Bernard's by celebrating Mass. It was a truly wonderful occasion, the hall was full with the voices of Year 7 and our excellent school choir.

Many thanks to those who attended from our families and parish, as well as Father Manny, Nikki, our lay chaplain, and Mr O'Donnell for providing the

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A massive well done to one of our pupils, Dexter, who has raised over £1K for the Little Princess Trust by braving the shave & donating 20 inches of his fabulous hair! We are so proud of him for this selfless act and how dedicated he has been in his fundraising efforts. If you would like to donate, please click the link below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/dexter-bamber-1726591881012>



Congratulations to our Year 9 Girls football team that won the Barrow Schools 7-a-side Football Festival this week. It was an excellent team performance with everyone playing their part. Well done girls, your victory was well deserved!

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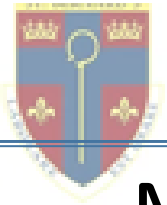
Italian Exchange

*Chi trova un amico, trova un tesoro**

We have had a fantastic week with our Italian exchange students who have spent the week exploring the local area and learning about our culture and school. Lifelong friendships have been made and great food eaten! Our staff and pupils can't wait to see them again in Venice in Feb 2025.



**He who finds a friend, finds a treasure*



MESSAGES FROM MR VINCE

Visitors to School this week

It has been wonderful to welcome 22 students from Venice to our school this week. It is was so lovely to see our students getting to know their Italian counterparts sharing lots of joy and laughter, and to see, despite our different homes, how similar students are to each other, To see such amazing students gives me hope for the future of our world knowing that we have so much that unites us as global citizens.

Mary's Meal

Well done to our wonderful staff and students, who joined together with Sacred Heart to raise money to provide over 1000 meals to students studying in Zambia, a school sponsored by Our Lady of Furness Parish. Truly exceptional people making a difference to our world.

School Tours

It has been a real pleasure to show prospective families round St Bernard's this week. Families have been so impressed by our calm and purposeful school, full of committed learners and exceptional people. One visitor told me he was so impressed he would definitely be putting St Bernard's as number 1 choice!! We love to hear such wonderful feedback and look forward to welcoming more families in the coming weeks.

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!

And finally

Weekends are never the same for me when Villa are not playing, especially when England are back to their old ways! However, I am always more relaxed as I know a Villa loss can not upset me.

A big weekend for all Barrow fans though with the Barrow Morecambe derby. Lets hope for 3 points and a top of table spot come the end of the weekend!

Have a wonderful weekend,

God Bless,

Mr Vince
Headteacher

