

# FRIDAY LETTER

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## PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Lord, I feel Your love surrounding me, and it compels me to come and worship You.

I long to be in Your presence with my brothers and sisters in Christ, lifting our voices and hearts to You.

Thank You for Your endless love and for always being by my side.

I commit this day to You, Lord. May everything I do bring glory and honour to Your name.

In the name of Jesus Christ, I pray.

Amen.

## **KEY DATES**

14th and 15th July
Sports Day
Abbey Mass
17th July
Y10 Geography Field Trip
Y4 and 5 Taster evening

18th July Last day

## **REMINDERS**

#### **Student Absences**

Call school on 01229 814 560

### Don't forget

Full PE kit for Sports days—info in the newsletter

#### Remember

School finishes at 1pm on Friday 18th July—students need to make their own way home as school service buses are not available at that time.



### WORDS FROM ST BERNARD

Love seeks no cause beyond itself and no fruit; it is its own fruit, its own enjoyment. I love because I love; I love in order that I may love.



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

## **COMMITTED LEARNERS**

YR 10- Ryan Procter, Holly Armstrong, Alfie Hamilton, Anamika Jijinlal

YR 9- Sophia Lin, Donald Anyanwu, Alex Fleming, Aston Hart

YR 8- Annie Coward, Niamh Cunningham, Thomas Kent, Jorgie Perry

YR7— Harlow Fletcher, Robyn Hayes, Elliott Lee, Harrison Lowden

## **EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE**

YR 10- Brooke Brown
YR 9- Rayyan Saleem
YR 8- Ethan Quinn
YR 7- Lola Davis





We have now chosen our new head boy, head girl and senior prefects following interviews over the last few days. The standard of applications and interviews were extremely high, and it was incredibly difficult to choose!

Our new head girl is Riona Renjith, and our new head boy is AJ Ducusin. Their deputies are Emily Walker, Hiba Ahmed, Finley Brown, and Mason Murphy.

Sophie Buckingham, Ruby Hamilton, Amelia Biju, Ire Adeyeye, Finlay Tumelty, Samuel Campbell, Liam Downing, Hamza Ahmed, and Al-Ayman Sarker have been selected as senior prefects.

Well done to all of the children involved—you are truly exceptional people.













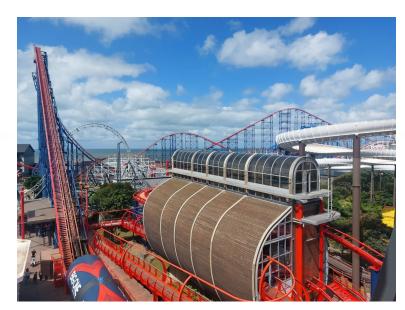


Our Year 10 Food students made a gorgeous buffet for the Awards Evening this week—a marvellous range of sweet and savoury treats that also considered dietary requirements and allergies.

Well done to: Bradley Campbell,, Liam Downing, Holly Armstrong, Max Dean, Danika Taylor,
Missy Lee Burns, Sophie Buckingham, Kenzie Jai Jefferson, Maisie McGuckin, Lexie McGeown,
Brooke Rainford, Leah Santos, Samuel Campbell, Rachael White and Lola Davies.











We didn't get lots of photos as we were too busy having the best time! Year 9 and 10 had their summer trip to Blackpool this week. The weather was amazing and the queues were small. We were very proud of how well our students behaved throughout the day.









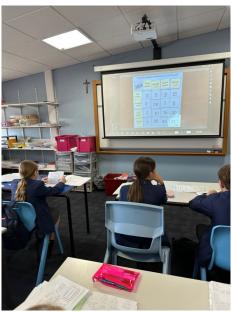
Students have been busy creating a shared portrait of Blessed Carlo Acutis—looking amazing so far!











A busy week at St Bernard's—lots of drama in Year 8 as they performed their nursery rhymes News stories then some tricky maths problems for Year 7.









We were blown away by the performances of our students who took part in a shared production of King Lear recently. They have been working with the RSC through Dowdales school and completed workshops to prepare for the show on Friday night.

The acting was incredible and the atmosphere in the room was intense!













Year 7 enjoyed their French breakfast this week and practised ordering food from the menu in French as part of their cultural experiences.













This week saw our final primary French visit of the year for Year 8 to deliver their workshops to Year 5 at Sacred Heart. We loved seeing them engaged with the French stories and well done to our pupils for all of your hard work and being excellent role models.





Fantastic work on their lighting project in DT this week!







7B planned and carried out a fun science investigation to find out which biscuit was the best for dunking without falling apart, They thought about how to collect valid results, carried it out very sensibly and made conclusions. They evaluated their results to see if they were repeatable and came up with reasons for anomalous results. The class concluded the rich tea biscuit was the best and ginger snaps were a close second.











This week was the sports studies outdoor activities skills and assessment day on Coniston Water. It was a fun day in the sun learning with instructors from M&T Adventures. Students putting into practice canoeing and SUP skills/ knowledge that they have researched in the classroom. The year 10 sports studies students will now evaluate their performance back at school suggesting ways they can make further progress.











This week was the last of our taster sessions for Year 5 until Autumn term. We had a brilliant time doing Music, Drama and English and had a tasty brunch. It has been lovely welcoming the primary children onto our site and we are really looking forward to more sessions in September.





## Sports day is on Monday 14th and Tuesday 15th July.

Over the 2 days, students can come in **FULL St Bernard's PE kit**. This should only include the St Bernard's shorts or St Bernard's leggings for girls and the St. Bernard's shorts or tracksuit bottoms for the boys, the blue St Bernard's PE top with the school hoodie or rugby top. Students need to wear trainers and remove all jewellery. Our uniform and equipment expectations will be as high as usual.

Both days will be a celebration of sport in general and students will be doing sports related work around the activities of sports day. We hope it will be a wonderful time of sport, and that we get some sunshine!





We are aiming for 100% attendance for the last two weeks of term—

10 more days to go!

If your child is in every day, their name will be entered into a raffle to win a £10 Greggs voucher. There is 1 per year group to win and it will be drawn on the last day.

Set those alarm clocks!



# TASTER EVENING

## THUR 17TH JULY 2025 5PM- 6:30PM

St Bernard's Catholic High School Rating Lane Barrow-in-Furness



Brief Presentation | Fun Activities | Refreshments | Meet Pupils & Staff

Come and find out more about our wonderful School

#### The Evening

- A smaller, more relaxed visit to the school in advance of the busyness of Open Evening.
  - Free, fun activities for your children while you hear information on our school.
  - Hear from our Headteacher and meet our wonderful pupils.
- An opportunity to ask questions of staff, pupils and leaders.

Scan this QR code to book your free place.



#### About St Bernard's

- A Catholic School for all- welcoming all regardless of faith or belief
- School ethos built upon a set of virtues, helping all children become 'Committed Learners and Exceptional People
- More students achieving grade 4 or above in English and Maths than any other Barrow School.
- A full staffed school with subject experts in all departments.
- A school with a broad and balanced curriculum including Sport, Art, Drama, music, DT, Engineering, Computer Science and many more.
- A school that cares for its pupils and families.
   £40 towards the cost of uniform for all Yr. 7 pupils.

Alternatively, please click the link to book your place https://forms.gle/

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## MESSAGES FROM MR VINCE

## **Awards Evening**

What a wonderful evening we had on Thursday as we came together to celebrate our committed learners and exceptional people at our Awards Evening. It was a true privilege to present the awards to our pupils—we are so proud of each and every one of them! A heartfelt thank you to all the parents, friends, and family members who joined us to share in this special occasion.

## **Abbey Mass**

We are very much looking forward to our celebration of Mass at Furness Abbey on 16th July. Our entire school community, along with over 200 pupils from our feeder primary schools, will come together to give thanks to God for all we have accomplished this year. We warmly invite parents and members of the wider community to join us. Mass will begin at 9:30am—we hope to see you there!

## **Blackpool**

I was thrilled to attend my first St Bernard's trip to Blackpool this week. While I wasn't the bravest on the rides, I did come back absolutely soaked from the log flume at Nickelodeon Land! What stood out most to me was the outstanding behaviour of our students, who truly embodied our school virtues—polite, considerate and a credit to St Bernard's. They were wonderful ambassadors for our school.

### And Finally...

There's so much sport to enjoy at the moment—Wimbledon, cricket, and of course, the Women's Euros. A big cheer for England after their impressive 4-0 win! As for me, I'm just waiting (not-so-patiently!) for Villa to make some signings... but the wait continues!

Have a fantastic weekend!

God bless,

Mr Vince

Headteacher



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