

# FRIDAY LETTER

## 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**

8th September Mass in the Chapel
9th September Y7 and Y9 photos
12th September Y11 Careers Assembly
17th September KS3 Invictus performance
22nd September Y11 Aqua Park
23rd September Y11 Aqua Park

## REMINDERS

### Student Absences

Call school on 01229 814 560

## Don't forget

Children need their equipment and PE kits ready for school

## Remember

School photos for Y7 and 9 are on Tues 9th September

School will finish at 2:00pm on Thursday 25th September for Open Evening



## 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 11—Finlay Quirk-O'Neill, Sophie Buckingham, George Butler, Aiza Caasalan

YR 10- Sam Cooper, Charlie Moser, Zosimo Agas, Grace Anderson

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

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

YR 7— Evie Thompson, Freddie Moser, Dona Anish, Violet Cipriano

# **EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE**

YR 11— Blake Sharp
YR 10— Maisie Murphy
YR 9— Mila Bryson-Roberts
YR 8— Shamika Brooks
YR 7— Jake Pattinson





# Every day in school counts...











## and every minute counts...





















At St Bernard's Catholic High School, we believe that students will only achieve their aspirations and the skills to become truly independent and effective learners if they maintain excellent attendance.

We have a whole school culture of high attendance, so it is expected that all students aim for 100% attendance at school, making the most of the opportunities available to them.



This is only a brief newsletter to say a huge welcome back to our St Bernard's community and congratulations to all of our pupils for a fantastic start to their new academic year. There are many exciting changes and opportunities ahead which you will find out about in this Friday Letter every week.

#### **Electives**

Having welcomed all of our pupils back into school, we are looking forward to our Elective Programme beginning on Wednesdays, offering activities for all pupils. This weeks elective (Weds 10th September) is a general elective and finishes at 3:20pm. Further information and detail on the electives have come out via Arbor.

The purpose of this, is to offer a wide variety of activities and experiences for our pupils to enrich their education at St Bernard's, using the expertise and skills of our staff across a range of disciplines. This offer will vary each half-term as different staff lead elective activities throughout the year.

#### Uniform

A reminder that all pupils attend in full school uniform with no additional piercings, make up or false nails. Hair should be of a natural colour, cut and style. Trainers are also not permitted. Detentions will be issued from Monday for students not adhering to these standards.

#### **New Routines**

We have started lots of new routines in school this year to which the children have responded amazingly! We are so proud of how attentive and intentional they have been in following the new systems. These changes mean that they will now have a morning meeting together as a year group instead of Form and they will have a longer Form period in the afternoon. Our lunchtimes are now split so that Key Stage 3 and 4 are separate. This means shorter queues and more football pitch space!

We have talked to the pupils about Blessed Carlo Acutis this week as he is being made a Saint this weekend. He is a brilliant example as a young person being canonised and inspires us all in our faith and journey with Christ. If you have time, please have a look online on Sunday as it will be streamed live from The Vatican at 5pm.

## **Open Evening**

We look forward to welcoming students and families from our local schools on Thursday 25th September for our Open Evening. In preparation for this event, school will finish at 2:00pm in this day.

We hope you have a fantastic weekend. St Bernard's Catholic High School



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