



St Bernard's

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Committed Learners

Exceptional People

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

Virtue champion
Maria Montessori

Compassion – to love my neighbour as Jesus loves me

Virtue in Action

Helping, supporting, or acknowledging the efforts of others.



Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom



Words from St Bernard

"God will either give us what we ask, or what He knows to be better for us."

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Don't forget: Year 11 photographs are on 25th November

Dates for your diary

- 24th November - Space Academy Masterclass
- 24th November - Nasal flu vaccine Y7-11
- 25th November - Y11 Photographs
- 28th November - INSET day - school closed
- 8th December - Y11 Trafford Centre trip
- 10th December - Y9 Theatre trip
- 10th December - Y11 parents evening

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Oh gracious God, enlighten my mind
and heart with truth, love, mercy,
gratitude and compassion. Give me
the courage to follow you daily in
faith, love and hope. In my busy day
help me
to think of you now and then.
Make me aware of the needs of the
people around me. Help me to be
grateful for what I have and help
those with so much less. I ask this in
Jesus' name.
Amen.



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Spirit of Christmas



Practice started this week for the Spirit of Christmas. This was a truly joyful event last year and a lovely way to celebrate as a community. We will be joined by children from St Pius, St Columba's, Sacred Heart and Vickerstown.

It will be on Wednesday 15th December at 5pm - no ticket is needed and entry is free. Save the date!

Sporting News

We were so proud of the Year 9 Rugby team this week. We had an extremely close game against Furness Academy in the ton cup final. Unfortunately it wasn't meant to be tonight, we ended up losing by 4 points. But the boys demonstrated excellent team spirit and resilience.



Our Year 8 and 9 netball teams took on Chetwynde school this week. Our Year 9 team was outstanding, giving an excellent display of passing and movement down the court which finished with the shooters taking every opportunity to score. Both year 8 teams battled in a very close game with St Bernard's eventually coming out as the winners.

Love Barrow Awards



Miss Anderson has been nominated as a teacher that is always a friendly face, the go to when anyone has a bad day, or any issues. She takes time out for a simple chat and be so unbelievably proud of anything students achieve. She is a teacher students will never ever forget.

Please visit the Love Barrow Facebook page to vote when it opens.

Parking

Please do not park at the bottom of the drive near the gates or use it as a turning circle, We are experiencing high levels of congestion at the end of the day which is putting our students at risk. Please also do not park on the woodchips at the bottom of the drive or on the zig zag lines. Cumbria Police have contacted us to raise these issues and will be monitoring Rating Lane.





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We kindly ask that all students remove fake nails for PE. This is for health and safety reasons and to allow them to take part in the lesson fully.

UlverSTEM



We had an amazing day at UlverSTEM last weekend. A huge thank you to Mr Mullaney and Ms Littlemore for being there to talk all things STEM!

Jewish History



We were lucky enough to have Rabbi Jonathan Wittenber join us this week to talk about the Jewish faith through an interactive exhibition and talk. We then heard from Peter and Moira about their experiences as the second generation. A massive thanks to Mr Ruston for all his hard work in organising everything.



Careers update – Year 11

Throughout November / December there are a number of College Open Nights for year 11 and 10 students as below.

***St Bernard's Careers Fair will take place on **Tuesday 25th November 3.30 – 5.30pm**

***College Open Evenings (see websites for details)

Furness College, Channelside: **20th November**

UVHS Sixth Form: **26th November**

Kendal College **4th December**

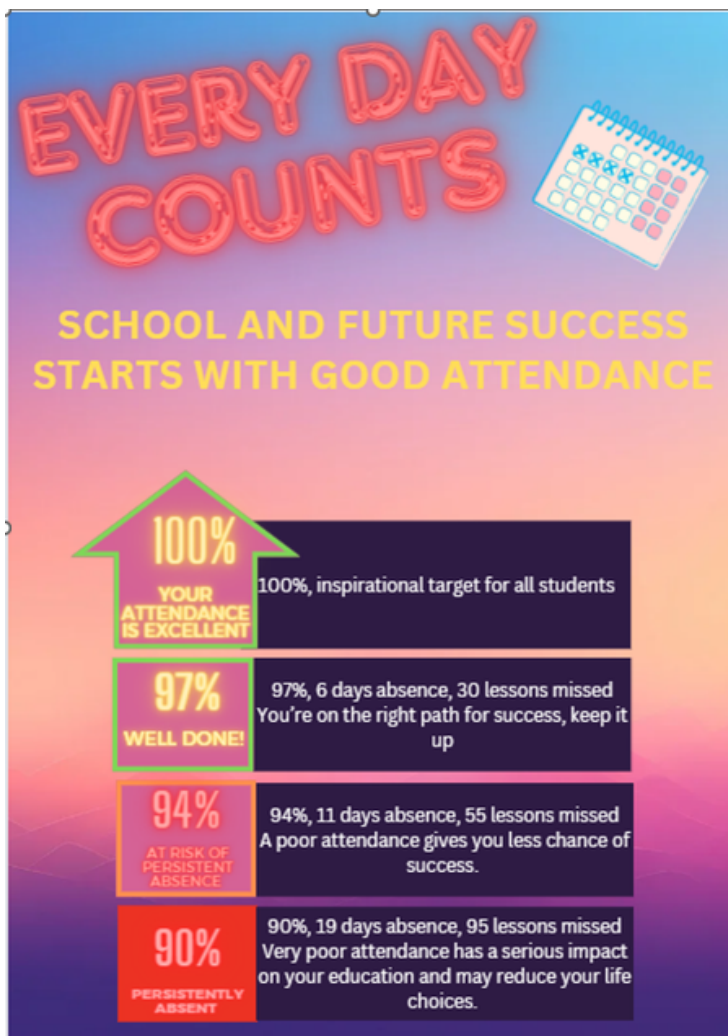
Lancaster and Morecambe College: **9th December**

***BAE Employability Workshops

Wednesday 10th and 17th December, 2.40 – 3.20pm at St Bernards.

All students applying for an apprenticeship with BAE or any other provider should attend.

Attendance



Every day counts! Missing school means missing out on valuable lessons, classroom discussions, and social development.

We're working hard to make every day count and we appreciate your support in this important goal.

Watch this space for our upcoming Attendance Advent challenge!

FOR ALL YEAR 9 / 10 / 11

St Bernard's Careers Fair Tuesday 25th November (3.30 – 5pm)

The 2025 St Bernard's Careers Fair takes place on Tuesday 25th November, exhibitors include all local colleges and a range of apprenticeship and training providers.

It is a great opportunity to find out about the range of courses and career opportunities available to school leavers.

All year 10 and 11 students and parents can attend and take the opportunity to talk with providers.

Year 9 students and parents can also attend to gain information as they prepare for GCSE option choices.



Committed Learners



Year 7 Committed Learners

Computing	Claire Akujobi
English	Aivah Cooksey
French	Zachary Aitken
Geography	Layla Mills
History	Saul Wilson
Maths	Mason Chambers
Music	Isha Deepu
PE	Delight Anyanwu
RE	Oliver Henderson
Science	Violet Cipriano
Technology	Ryan Renjith

Committed Learners

Art	Aksah Manoj
Computing	Brooke Chorlton
English	Reuben O'Brien
French	Penny Brough
Geography	Mueez Chishti
History	Mary Haynes
Maths	Mueez Chishti
Music	Cheryl Sowunmi
PE	Mason Pratt
RE	Ayesha Shoaib
Science	Jack Schofield
Technology	Emily Duncan-Matalavea

**Year 8
Committed
Learners**

Committed Learners

**Year 9
Committed
Learners**

Art	Hannah Tranter
Computing	Kaiden Grainger
English	Alfie Slowey
French	Joseph Jones
Geography	Ed Cush
History	Maisie McCarthy
Maths	Benjamin De Guzman
PE	Annie Coward
RE	Ada Ergisi
Science	Scarlett Park
Technology	Benjamin De Guzman

Committed Learners

Art	Mia Ostler
Computer Science	Aston Hart
English	Harry Kane
French	Lucy Merritt
Geography	Alessandra Javier
History	Riley Hayton
iMedia	Savannah Barham
Maths	Marshall McGladdery
PE	Macy McGarry
RE	Bethany Clark
Science	Damian Griffiths
Technology	Franky Dale

**Year 10
Committed
Learners**

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**Year 11
Committed
Learners**

Art	Anamika Jjinlal
English	Alfie Hone
French	Ryan Procter
Geography	Hamza Ahmed
History	Caleb Beach
iMedia	Claire Joshy
Maths	Ege Yasar
PE	Sameer Maheshwari
RE	Ege Yasar
Science	Daniel Balmer
Sports Studies	Kenzie Jefferson
Technology	Sultan Ozmus

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Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Deniz Ozmus	Ayesha Shoaib	Rachael Ifedi	Kieran Bannister	Emily Walker
Matilda Wise	Andrea Bineesh	Taylor Priestley-Fullard	Grace Anderson	Brooke Rainford
Kayden Clayton	Savannah-May Daly Kadie-Leigh Barker	Ed Cush Evan Job	Ella Anyanwu Mairead O'Flynn Archy Wood	Kacey Leigh Vaughn



Many Congratulations to all of our wonderful...
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Letter from Mr Vince

Red Wednesday

St Bernard's pupils were once again represented on the live stream for Red Wednesday, Aid to the Church in Need's annual call for people everywhere to stand against injustice and persecution. You can watch the stream [here](#).

We will be marking Red Wednesday in school this coming week by wearing red, raising money and praying for all those in our world who suffer for their beliefs. I encourage everyone to take part—small acts of solidarity can carry great power.

Anne Frank Trust

We were deeply honoured to welcome Rabbi Jonathan Wittenberg into school this week. His message was a timely reminder that, as a Catholic school, our diversity and differences are not challenges to overcome but strengths that enrich our community. There is far more that unites us than divides us—a truth we hope our exceptional young people will carry with them into the wider world.

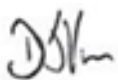
Spirit of Christmas

Rehearsals begin this week for our Spirit of Christmas celebration on 17th December. We will be joined by many of our feeder and local primary schools for what promises to be another uplifting and memorable evening. Last year's celebration was a real highlight of the season, so please do save the date—you truly won't want to miss it.

And Finally...

The Premier League returns this weekend, and I'm particularly excited as I'll be heading to Elland Road on Sunday to watch the mighty Aston Villa! It has been a great international break for both England and Scotland—if you haven't seen the goals yet, do take a look. And with the other home nations pushing through the playoff places, the build-up to the World Cup is getting very exciting indeed.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.



God Bless

Mr D Vince
Headteacher