



St Bernard's

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

LABORARE EST ORARE

Committed Learners

Exceptional People

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

Eloquent- Always kind, polite, and forgiving with our words.

Virtue in Action

Demonstrate excellent oracy skills in class through contributing in an eloquent way. Show appreciation with detailed reasons and thinking about the impact of this on your development.

Virtue champion

Charles Dickens



Are you the one who is to come, or have we got to wait for someone else?



Words from St Bernard

Ingratitude is the soul's enemy... Ingratitude is a burning wind that dries up the source of love, the dew of mercy, the streams of grace.

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Dates for your diary

- 16th December – Year 11 Maths Hub Trip
- 17th December – Spirit of Christmas
- 18th December – Festive day
- 19th December – Carols at Holy Family
- 19th December – School finishes at 1pm
*(as school buses are not able to come earlier,
pupils should make their own way home at 1pm)*

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God of abundant grace,
thank you for the gifts of kindness, wisdom,
and love You've placed within us.
Teach me to receive Your love as well as give,
to be filled by Your grace, not just give myself
away.
Prepare my heart this Christmas to be a vessel
of Your overflowing joy and generosity.
Amen



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Trip to London – March 2026

On 16/17th March 2026, we will be running a trip to London to visit the Houses of Parliament and House of Lords. We will also go to Westminster Abbey, see Back to the Future, the Musical and see some sights. It has limited places and is open to Year 9 and 10. Information has gone on Arbor so please confirm ASAP if you would like your child to go on the trip. We will confirm places next week.



Sporting news



Our Year 7 girls netball team pulled out a great performance this week. We hosted Dowdales School and played two closely fought games. The first game was even throughout and finished off as a draw, we managed to win the second game, but once again Dowdales put up a great fight, making both games great to watch. We would like to thank Dowdales School for coming to play us and look forward to the return fixture after Christmas.

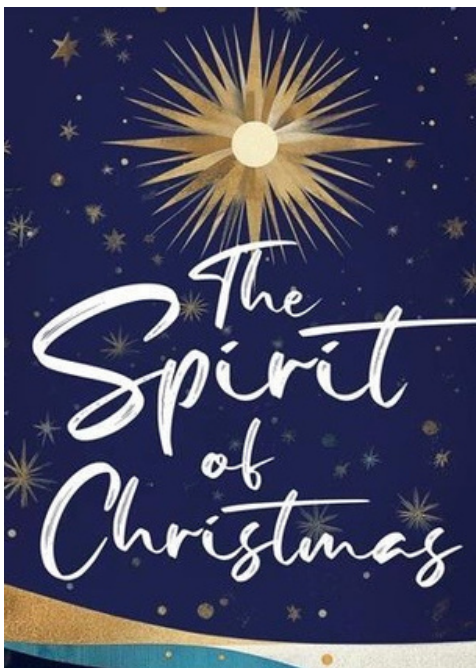


Well done to our Year 7 boys yesterday at Kirkby Kendal in the County Cup. Unfortunately, they lost but they played with real spirit and never stopped battling. Good luck to K Kendal in the Quarter Finals

Christmas



Our choir sang at Barrow Market this week accompanied by our music teacher, Mr Curran. We were so proud of them and the many wonderful comments they received from members of the public.



We had our first practice with St Columba's, St Pius and Sacred Heart this week. It was a glorious session with lots and lots of singing. We can't wait to perform together next week and celebrate Christmas with our community

Spirit of Christmas



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Spirit of Christmas

17TH DECEMBER 2025

ST BERNARD'S SCHOOL

MAIN HALL

5PM



THIS IS THE PERFECT WAY TO EMBRACE THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS WITH JOYFUL MUSIC, BEAUTIFUL MOMENTS, AND A WELCOMING ATMOSPHERE.



Our attendance advent calendar continues this week. Children will be entered if they have 100% attendance for the week before e.g. anyone in school all week this week is entered for wc 15th December. It's double the prizes this week! Prizes to be won include Love 2 Shop vouchers, prom tickets for Year 11 and other sweets/goodies.

For our last week, we will be giving out Love2Shop vouchers on the Friday and an extra prom ticket, for all children that are in school each day.

Year 7 Committed Learners

Art	Tommy Fisher
Computing	Lynna Carbonell
English	Pippah Webber
French	Isha Deepu
Geography	Matilda Wise
Maths	John Gaughan
History	Esme Kershaw
PE	Kiessa Latimer
RE	Kalvyn Allen
Science	Isaac Holland
Technology	Donnie Mackenzie



Committed Learners

Art	Mueez Chishti
Computing	Jack Schofield
Drama	Seb Houghton
English	Tommy Short
French	Ayesha Shoaib
Geography	Seb Houghton
History	Halle Grace Holland
Maths	Harlow Fletcher
Music	Kadie-Leigh Barker
PE	Freddie Kittley
RE	Tommy Short
Science	Tommy Short
Technology	Brooke Charlton

**Year 8
Committed
Learners**

Committed Learners

Art	Florence
Computing	Sofie Talaskova
Drama	John Horton
English	Maisie McCarthy
French	Maisie McCarthy
Geography	Annie Coward
Maths	Favour Awulonu
Music	Sam Thorpe
PE	Oliver Brown
RE	Jaxon Scholes
Science	Keaton Grainger
Technology	Rhian Barrow

**Year 9
Committed
Learners**

Committed Learners

Art	Leo Tierney
Computer Science	Emelia Parker
Drama	Mairead O'Flynn
English	William Porter
French	Sienna Terpilowski
Geography	Lunna Calabon
History	Aaron Rimmer
iMedia	Maximus Perry
Maths	Charlie Phillips
PE	Macy McGarry
RE	Trexed Boado
Science	Jack Darby
Sports studies	Jack Welsh
Technology	Jewel Joshy

**Year 10
Committed
Learners**

Committed Learners

**Year 11
Committed
Learners**

Art	Seira Cisyil
Business Studies	Chloe Poole
English	Bella Nicholson
French	Amelia Biju
Geography	Emily Walker
History	Ollie O'Kane
iMedia	Ruby Harrison
Maths	Bella Nicholson
PE	Zac Blower
RE	Juan Arias Diosa
Science	Favour Ifedi
Sports Studies	Ollie O'Kane
Technology	Dennice Datinguinoo

Exceptional People

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Harper Zuniga	Alfie Dale	Jaxon Scholes	Millie Fleming	Brody Burns
Amelia Dixon	Mary Haynes	Ed Cush	Ashton Williams	Isla Parkin
Deniz Ozmus, Ava Waite, Kiessa Latimer	Harrison Lowden	Veronica Mendiola	Emily-Grace Chelton, Maisie Murphy	C-Jay Munro



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

As we approach the final week of term, excitement is certainly building across the school. We have a number of wonderful events planned, and I wanted to share a few important reminders with you.

Christmas Charity Day – Thursday 18th December

Next Thursday, we will be holding our Christmas Charity Day in support of **St Mary's Hospice and The Well Communities, Barrow.**

It will be a non-uniform day, and students can look forward to a range of fun activities throughout the day, including inflatables and food vendors. We kindly ask that students bring a donation to help us raise funds for these two incredibly worthy causes.

This event is a lovely way for us to express our school virtue of Compassion—making a positive difference to those who need it most, while enjoying a festive and uplifting day together.

'The Spirit of Christmas' – Wednesday 17th December, 5pm

A reminder that our main Christmas celebration, The Spirit of Christmas, will take place on Wednesday evening at 5pm. We would be delighted to welcome you and your families for what promises to be a memorable, heart-warming end-of-term celebration.

Attendance in the Final Week

As we move into the final week of term, I would like to stress the importance of good attendance. The Local Authority continues to place a strong emphasis on students being in school every day, recognising how crucial this is for learning.

With so many festive activities happening next week, it would be a real shame for anyone to miss out.

And finally...

There are changes ahead at Barrow AFC as the search for a new manager begins—so if you fancy the challenge, now might be your moment!

And with two more wins for Villa this week, I'm absolutely buzzing. When the bubble does eventually burst, let's just hope I'm not in school to face all the banter!

Wishing you all a restful, enjoyable weekend.

God bless,
Mr D. Vince
Headteacher