

St Bernard's

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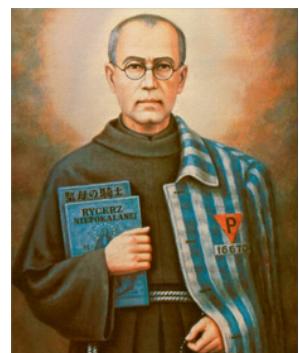
VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

Service - Giving to God and to others, without counting the cost.

Virtue in Action

Do something selfless to help someone: tidying, organising, contributing to charity. Giving time or energy without expecting anything in return

Virtue champion
Maximilian Kolbe



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



Words from St Bernard

"Are you troubled? Think but of Jesus, speak but the name of Jesus, the clouds disperse, and peace descends anew from heaven"

Dates for your diary

- W/C 2nd February - Y8 and 9 Assessments
- 4th February - Y10 and 11 Art Trip
- W/C 9th February - Careers week
- 11th February - Year 7 Parents Evening
- 12th February - Year 11 Sixth Form Interviews

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St. Maximilian Kolbe, you loved the Lord and His Blessed Mother with all your heart and gave your life for another in a spirit of true charity.

Teach me to trust in God's will, to love without counting the cost, and to serve others with joy and courage.

Intercede for me in my needs, and help me to remain faithful to Christ until my life's end.

Amen

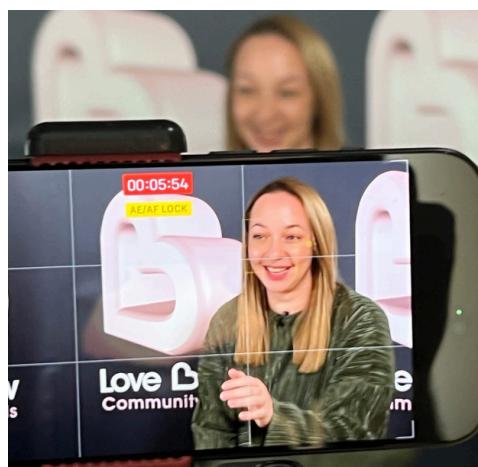


PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Love Barrow Awards

Our lovely English teacher, Miss Anderson, has been nominated this year for a Love Barrow Award and is one of the finalists! This reflects her commitment and passion for all of the students she works with. We are so so proud of her and would love her to win. Please either scan the QR code or go to

<https://www.lovebarrowawards.co.uk/peoplechoice>



Sporting news



Our Year 9 and 10 girls netball teams travelled to Dowdales this week, where they took part in some closely fought matches. Our Year 9 girls team came out on top winning their game and the Year 10 girls were narrowly beaten by a good Dowdales side.



Year 7 Committed Learners

Art	Cobain Smyth
Computing	Kayden Clayton
English	Jaiden Hayton
French	Freddie Davies
Geography	Oliver Henderson
History	Amelia Dixon
Maths	Estha Aneesh
PE	Violet Cipriano
RE	David Kostyla
Science	Ava Waite
Technology	Kayden Clayton

Year 8 Committed Learners

Art	George Fussell
Computing	Tommy Short
Drama	Cheryl Sowunmi
English	Robyn Hayes
French	Ben O'Donnell
Geography	Olivia Bown
History	Ayesha Shoaib
Maths	Alex Madigan-Browne
PE	Orla McIntyre
RE	Lily-Mo Waddington
Science	Rylen Bakewell
Technology	Eleanor Rawlinson

Year 9 Committed Learners

Art	Favour Awulonu
Computing	Japneet Ghuman
Drama	Mila Bryson-Roberts, Tamara Hayton, Victoria Wasacz, Liana Beddoes
English	Talliah Brooks
French	Charlie Osborne
Geography	Layla Day
History	Riley Bircher
Maths	Ethan Thexton
PE	Isaac West
RE	Rachel Ifedi
Science	Tianna Quinn
Technology	Nevil Tony

Year 10 Committed Learners

Art	Mia Ostler
Computer Science	Ethan Higgins
English	Damien Griffin
French	Olly Black
Geography	Jewel Joshy
History	Riley Hayton
iMedia	Alex Fleming
Maths	Brogan Brown
PE	Grace Anderson
RE	Olivia O'Halloran
Science	Isla-Rose Beach
Sports Studies	Holly Gomersall
Technology	Joseph Middleton

Year 11 Committed Learners

Art	Anamika Jijinlal
Business Studies	Max Hackett
English	Ollie Thomas
French	Riona Renjith
Geography	Amelia Biju
History	Alfie Hamilton
iMedia	Claire Joshy
Maths	Yvonne Santiago
PE	Ryan Procter
RE	Evie Worrall
Science	Elliot Taylor
Sports Studies	Chantel Chitehwe
Technology	Aiza Caasalan

Exceptional People

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Faith Mason	Jack Schofield	George Lashmar- Mackintosh	Prince Callejo	Vinnie Dixon
Bella Storey	Kadie-Leigh Barker	Talliah Brooks	Niamh McCarthy- Clark	Brooke Brown
			Mairead O'Flynn	Seira Cisyl



Committed Learners and Exceptional People





PE clubs – extra-curricular

This half term, the following PE Clubs are running:

Monday Y7 – Y10 Trampolining

Tuesday Y8 and Y9 girls netball (This may change when matches are being played)

Thursday All year groups Pickleball

Friday Y7 Netball

All clubs finish at 4.20pm and require students to be in full PE kit to participate

Nails and pimple patches

Fake and Acrylic Nails

We've noticed that some students have been wearing fake/acrylic nails to school. Whilst we know these are popular, our uniform policy doesn't permit them, and there are really important safety reasons behind this. In PE and Science lessons particularly, artificial nails can prevent students from taking part fully and safely in practical activities – and we want every student to be able to engage in all aspects of their learning.



Pimple Patches

We understand that students may wish to use pimple patches, and we're supportive of this. However, we do ask that students wear skin-coloured or translucent patches rather than brightly coloured ones.

What Happens Next

To give everyone time to make the necessary changes, we're asking that all fake/acrylic nails are removed by Monday 2nd February. After this date, we will need to apply our usual consequences for students who haven't complied.



Thank you for your continued support.

Electives



Some gorgeous creations from this weeks Origami elective with Miss Anderson!

Our elective cycle runs for another 4 weeks and then new clubs will be released. Please keep an eye here and on Arbor to sign up.

Attendance

Key Stage 3 attendance - this week

Well done 7D, 8E and 9A!

7A	93.7%
7B	92.8%
7C	93.0%
7D	95.1%
8A	92.6%
8B	94.0%
8C	91.9%
8D	92.2%
8E	95.2%
9A	92.6%
9B	91.5%
9C	90.0%
9D	87.7%

Attendance

Key Stage 4 attendance - this week

Well done 10A and 11C!

10A	95.8%
10B	89.2%
10C	92.7%
10D	89.5%
10E	90.0%
11A	90.3%
11B	92.3%
11C	93.9%
11D	92.6%

Whole school attendance - this week

92.36%

Canteen vouchers for a bacon/sausage bun* are attendance prizes for this term and will be announced every Friday. Children will be entered into the prize draw if they are in for 100% the previous week.

You've got to be in to win it!



*or food to the value of

Letter from Mr Vince

Exceptional People .

As you know, we are always looking for meaningful ways to help our students grow into exceptional people. One small but powerful example of this has been taking place during lunchtime, where students pause before eating to reflect with gratitude and thanksgiving for the food before them and the many gifts they receive each day.

It truly is something special to witness. Over 400 students sitting in respectful silence as one of their peers leads a prayer before lunch is a moment that never fails to inspire. There are not many schools where students show such reverence and respect, and I could not be prouder of them.

Uniform reminders

You will find some important uniform reminders included above in this Friday Letter. We always aim to work in partnership with families and students, and these reminders are shared to reinforce expectations before any consequences are necessary. If any families require support or assistance in resolving uniform matters, please do not hesitate to contact our pastoral team — we are always happy to help.

Love Barrow Awards

We are very excited to welcome the Love Barrow camera crew into school soon, who will be filming Miss Anderson in action. They will also be speaking with our wonderful students about what makes her such a fantastic teacher. It's a well-deserved celebration, and we can't wait to share it with you

And finally...

I took quite a bit of stick this week following Villa's loss to Everton, and with a tough away trip to Newcastle ahead, I'm not particularly looking forward to Monday morning!

Have a great weekend.

God bless,
Mr D. Vince
Headteacher