



St Bernard's

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

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

Virtue in Action

Thank a member of staff in a detailed and precise way, explaining the impact this has had on you and your learning.

Virtue champion
Malala Yousafzai



Seventh Sunday of Easter: Father, glorify your Son



Words from St Bernard

"To have a restful or peaceful life in God is good; to bear a life of pain in patience is better; but to have peace in the midst of pain is the best of all."

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Dates for your diary

- wc Monday 18th May: GCSE Exams continue
- wc 25th May - Half term
- 2nd June - Year 10 Chester University visit
- 4th June - Year 10 Geography trip - St Bees
- 8th June - Year 9 Mountain Day

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Dear Lord

Guide me to choose words that heal rather than hurt, that build up rather than tear down, and that speak Your truth rather than fear.

Fill my heart with Your truth so that my speech reflects Your goodness

Amen

St Bernard - *Pray for Us*

Student achievements



Ayesha was invited to the University of Liverpool this week to attend a prize giving evening and a maths workshop. She was one of over 1200 students from 115 schools who had entered a Maths Challenge competition earlier this year.

Ayesha successfully completed the challenging tasks – her work was beautifully presented and exceptionally detailed. We are so proud of Ayesha having her hard work recognised by the University of Liverpool and thrilled she had such an amazing night!

One of our year 11 students, Lilly, volunteered with the Furness First Aid Association during the K2B walk on Saturday.

She was there all day, caring and repairing, and was still smiling at the end of the day. We are so proud of her and her commitment to caring for others



If you have anything you'd like us to share – please email it to contact@stbernardsschool.uk. It doesn't have to be on social media – if you would just like it to be mentioned in their morning meeting instead, that is great! Please specify this when you send it in

Sporting news



This week, we hosted Chetwynde school, for our first rounder's matches of the season. Both our year 8 and 9 rounder's teams made a positive start demonstrating good fielding and batting skills. Our year 9 team came away comfortable winners and our year 8 team were narrowly beaten putting up a good fight.

Thanks goes to Chetwynde school for coming over and playing us

PE extra-curricular clubs

Next week's Physical Education extra curricular activities will be:

Monday 18th May- NO Athletics club due to other fixtures, Year 9 and 10 touch rugby tournament at Furness Academy, Year 7 and 10 rounders v Chetwynde, Year 7 and 10 boys town cup football finals.

Tuesday 19th May - Softball club (Yr 7-10), Rounders club (Yr 7 - 10)

Wednesday 20th May - Year 8-10 Furness schools athletics championships at Furness Academy - students involved will be spoken to and will be given a letter.

(all in school PE extra curricular activities run from 3.20pm - 4.20pm and require the correct full St. Bernard's PE kit unless stated differently).

If you have any questions regarding the activities it will be best if students come and speak with a member of the PE department in school, we will then hopefully be able to explain further and discuss any issues.

We look forward to seeing the students at the sessions.

K2B/C2B Walk – Team St Bernard's



It was another memorable day on the K2B and C2B for our team. It was truly wonderful to see so many of our current and former pupils raising money for so many different charities and showing their resilience, team work and kindness towards others. Well done too to all our pupils involved in supporting the event, by manning support stations, first aid, the cadets and helping out at the finish. You are all superstars! 🌟 We hope everyone has recovered! A huge thank you to Ms Ralph for all her hard work and excellent organisational skills.



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To all of our amazing Year 11 pupils - you truly are committed learners and exceptional people! We have been so impressed by how resilient and calm they have all been about their first week of GCSEs. Time for recuperation and rest this weekend before week 2 starts!



Attendance

Key Stage 3 attendance - this week

Well done 7C, 8B, 8C and 9D!

07A	90.3%
07B	91.4%
07C	95.9%
07D	87.7%
08A	95.2%
08B	96.3%
08C	96.3%
08D	88.0%
08E	96.2%
09A	93.5%
09B	91.9%
09C	95.6%
09D	96.6%

Attendance

Key Stage 4 attendance - this week

Well done 10D and 11D!

10A	95.2%
10B	91.2%
10C	90.0%
10D	95.5%
10E	92.3%
11A	86.0%
11B	97.6%
11C	94.7%
11D	99.1%
11E	85.6%

Whole school attendance - this week

93.39%

Attendance awards for 100% across a week are given on a Monday morning. Y7, Y8 and Y10 can win queue jumpers for the canteen and Y9 and Y11, a 5 minute pass for lessons to be first to lunch.

Letter from Mr Vince

Visit to St Bernard's

It was a pleasure to welcome one of the other secondary Headteachers from Barrow to St Bernard's this week. They came to see first-hand some of the excellent work taking place across our school, including our systems and structures, Morning Meeting, and our exceptional Direct Instruction provision.

It is always a joy to share our community with others as we work together to build an education system that our whole town can be proud of.

GCSE Exams

Our Year 11 students have begun their GCSE examinations with real determination and positivity. It has been wonderful to see so many smiling faces as students come out of exams feeling proud of their efforts.

Keep working hard, Year 11 – we are all incredibly proud of you.

K2B

My legs have just about recovered from last weekend's walk! As always, K2B was an incredible day and it was fantastic to see so many of our students taking part. Some were incredibly quick, others perhaps a little less so... but every single one showed tremendous determination in completing such a special challenge that makes a genuine difference to the lives of many.

A special mention must go to **Amaya Finley, who was the first female under-17 to finish, winning the Sandy Woods Girls Trophy** with an outstanding time of 10:08:07.

And finally...

Barrow have moved quickly to appoint a new manager. Andy Murray is the latest export from Birmingham – let's hope he fares a little better than the last Brummie manager!

My excitement is certainly building for Wednesday's Europa League Final. Whatever happens, I suspect I may not have much of a voice left by Thursday morning!

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

God bless,

Mr D. Vince