



# St Bernard's

## CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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### VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

Service- To give to God and others, and not count the cost.

#### Virtue in Action

Ensuring the school environment is tidy and cared for:  
Laudato Si.

Virtue champion  
Emmeline Pankhurst



Seventh Sunday of Easter: Father, glorify your Son



#### Words from St Bernard

"Others again who long to know in order to be of service, and this is charity."

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### Dates for your Diary

- Friday 19th June: Year 11 Leavers' Day
- Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> June - Y6 Parents Meeting
- 29/30<sup>th</sup> June - transition days for Year 6
- 6th July - Summer trips - Blackpool and The Flower Bowl
- 9th July - Year 4 and 5 Taster evening
- Thursday 16th July: Abbey Mass and School Fun Afternoon
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July - school closes at 1pm. Please be aware that there will be no school buses to transport students

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### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Lord God, we are gathered together today  
to give you praise and thanks  
for your loving kindness to us.

Make us aware that it is not just what we do that is important  
but how we do it.

Help us to be courageous, strong, caring,  
passionate and compassionate  
whatever our age, race or circumstances.  
Let us bear witness to your love for all people  
so that we may be  
peaceful and joyful.

**Amen.**

# Parents Meeting – Year 6 pupils



Our parents meeting for all Year 6 pupils joining us in September is in a few weeks. It is essential that all parents come as we will be talking about the transition days on 29/30th June as well as sharing class information and details for September. If you have a sibling joining us or know anyone this involves – please share!

## PE extra-curricular clubs

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

**Monday 22nd June-** Athletics club – all year groups, Year 7, 8 and 10 rounders fixture v Chetwynde at St. Bernard's.

**Tuesday 23rd June** – Softball club (Yr 7-10), Rounders club (Yr 7 – 10)

**Thursday 25th June** – Year 8 athletics relays competition at Furness Academy, Table tennis (Yr7 – 10)

*(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.

# Lake District Book Festival



What a fantastic weekend we had volunteering at the very first Lake District Book Festival at Cartmel Racecourse!

Throughout the event, the students took on a variety of roles, met so many new people (including the lovely Jane Horrocks!), and developed valuable new skills along the way. Their enthusiasm, teamwork, and willingness to get involved helped make the festival a great success.

It was a brilliant experience that gave them the chance to build confidence, create lasting memories, and be part of a very special event. Well done to everyone involved – you did yourselves proud!



# Sporting News



Another successful week for both our Y7 and Y9 Rounder's teams who beat Furness Academy in some closely fought games. Our Year 7 team are improving each time they play, their decision making in the field was excellent and their team work and support for one another was a credit to them all. Our Year 9 team once again were excellent in the field and batted well throughout the game. Big thanks goes to Furness Academy for coming over and playing us.



# Drowning Prevention Week



This week is Drowning Prevention week and during PE lessons Mr Procter has been talking to classes about the importance of keeping safe when swimming in open water.



# Welcome to our school – primary event



St Bernard's Catholic High School  
Year 4 and 5 Taster Evening  
Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> July at 5pm



- ✓ A small school with a big heart - £40 for new year 7 pupils towards the cost of uniform and equipment provided for all
- ✓ A fully-staffed school with subject experts
- ✓ Meeting children where they are - an inclusive school that offers a direct instruction group alongside an experienced SEND team
- ✓ On-site pastoral provision - guiding students with tailored support so every child can thrive
- ✓ A weekly enrichment timetable for all
- ✓ A passion for outdoor education - Duke of Edinburgh Award and a bespoke curriculum
- ✓ Investing in new facilities for the very best for our students



Please scan and sign up to attend. All are welcome.

On Thursday 9th July, we will be holding a taster evening for current year 4 and 5 children in the area. This is a great opportunity to experience our school site, meet some staff and current students, and do some fun activities. It's also a good time to ask any questions you might have before our official open evening in September.

If you know anyone who would like to attend, please either click the link or scan the QR code.

<https://forms.gle/4hS3PhU6R2MEb1LP8>

# Professor Pumpernickel



We had a day of incredible science from Professor Pumpernickel this week. Lots of our local primaries joined us alongside Year 7 and 8. It was a day of jokes, science and epic explosions!



# Parent drop-ins



**GROWNDS**

Intervention now, Prevention later.

## ST BERNARD'S PARENT DROP-IN.

Grownds (intervention now, prevention later) and Moving mindsets (Mental health support team in schools) are holding 2 parent drop-in sessions before the summer break in school. These sessions are an opportunity to talk about any challenges, concerns, or support needs affecting your child or family. Whether it relates to school, home life, emotional wellbeing, behaviour, friendships, family circumstances, or accessing services, we are here to listen and help explore support options.



Come along!

Register your interest by using the QR code

26<sup>th</sup> June - 2pm - 3.15pm

3<sup>rd</sup> July - 2pm - 3.15pm

Please report to reception



**BARNADOS**

Changing childhoods  
Changing lives.

These will be held in the main hall and are with Alysha (Grownds) and the team from Barnados. Please join us. You can scan the code or follow this link  
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[id=GR8bF2dIPE27mnSK0D8wGpNXGDdgH75CldIIISCzHDo9UQ0xISkpBWF1aTzhLTI&NHNEdCNDZSTkdbNi4u&origin=QRCode](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=GR8bF2dIPE27mnSK0D8wGpNXGDdgH75CldIIISCzHDo9UQ0xISkpBWF1aTzhLTI&NHNEdCNDZSTkdbNi4u&origin=QRCode)

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## YEAR 11 LEAVERS DAY 2026



We had a wonderful day, celebrating our amazing Year 11 with a service at Holy Family church, pizza at school and then a Guard of Honour to end the day in style. There was a brilliant array of shirts and signatures and lots of memories shared.

We will miss you all!



# Attendance

## Key Stage 3 attendance - this week

Well done 7A, 8A and 9C!

<b>07A</b>	96.8%
<b>07B</b>	94.8%
<b>07C</b>	95.7%
<b>07D</b>	89.0%
<b>08A</b>	99.2%
<b>08B</b>	90.1%
<b>08C</b>	93.3%
<b>08D</b>	83.5%
<b>08E</b>	99.0%
<b>09A</b>	90.4%
<b>09B</b>	87.8%
<b>09C</b>	95.0%
<b>09D</b>	92.3%

# Attendance

## Key Stage 4 attendance - this week

Well done 10E and 11D!

<b>10A</b>	92.5%
<b>10B</b>	86.9%
<b>10C</b>	86.1%
<b>10D</b>	89.4%
<b>10E</b>	92.7%

## Whole school attendance - this week

91.99%

Well done to Year 7 this week with the highest attendance across all of our year groups of 94.15%

## End of term information

The last day of term is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July. We finish at 1pm as usual. Please note - there will be no school buses at this time.

# Attendance

## **Attendance prizes this half term**

Each week that a student has 100% attendance – their name will be entered into a raffle which will be drawn on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

2 students per year group will have their place paid for on their summer trip to either The Flower Bowl or Blackpool Pleasure Beach.

This means that if they have 100% attendance for the next 4 weeks, their name goes into the draw 4 times – increasing their chances of winning.

You have to be in to win it!

Please note: they will need to be signed up to go on the trip as places will have been confirmed by this date

# Letter from Mrs Marshall

## **Wishing Our Year 11 Well**

Today marked a truly special milestone as we celebrated our Year 11 Leavers Day – a wonderful conclusion to their journey with us at St Bernard's. It was an emotional and joyful occasion, filled with memories, laughter, and perhaps a few tears.

We are incredibly proud of each and every one of our Year 11 students and cannot wait to see what they achieve next, whether that's in further education, apprenticeships, or the world of work.

Reflecting on their time with us, I cannot believe how much they have changed and matured since I first met them at the beginning of Year 10. The transformation has been extraordinary – they have developed not only academically but also as confident, compassionate individuals ready to take on new challenges. We wish them every success in their upcoming GCSE results and in all their future endeavours.

## **Welcome to Our Primary School Visitors**

This week has been a busy and exciting one, as we've welcomed lots of visits from local primary schools. It has been absolutely lovely meeting our prospective new students and spending time getting to know them. Their enthusiasm and curiosity have been wonderful to see.

A special mention must go to our Year 9 helpers, who were particularly amazing throughout these visits. They showed exceptional maturity, kindness, and leadership, acting as wonderful ambassadors for our school. Their support made such a difference to our young visitors, helping them feel welcome and at ease. We are immensely proud of them and what they represent about the values we hold dear at St Bernard's. We very much hope to see all our primary visitors back on site again soon.

## **Changes to Lunchtime Arrangements**

Now that the GCSE exams are over, our lunchtime schedule will be returning to its original timings from Monday 22nd June.

This means:

- Key Stage 3 lunch will be at 12:15pm (12:05pm on Wednesdays)
- Year 10 lunch will be at 1:15pm (1:05pm on Wednesdays)

We appreciate your support in helping students adjust back to these timings after the exam period.

## **And Finally...**

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of our school community. Your partnership makes such a difference to everything we do.

We wish all our students, families, and staff a restful, enjoyable, and hopefully sunny weekend.

**God bless,  
Mrs Marshall**