

# & Nursery

## (part of Mater Ecclesiae Catholic M.A.T.)

#### September:

#### Our Uniform changes

- •Years 3 & 4 will now only need a polo shirt not a shirt & tie.
- •Shorts in summer can continue to be worn
- •Cardigans can still be work as well as jumpers

•Book Bags are preferable as they will fit into the lockers much easier

In some classes the children will come in their PE kits on the days they have PE - we don't know yet which days PE will be for each class but the following classes ask parents to send their children to school in their PE Kit on their PE day:

#### Seahorses, Sharks & Bears.

Dolphins, Leopards, Tigers & Lions will come into school in their unform every day & leave their PE kit in school.

The Dept of Education has announced changes to penalty notices issued for unauthorised absence in term time which come into effect 19 August 2024. Offences after this date will be charged at  $\pounds 160$  per parent per child or  $\pounds 80$  per parent if paid within 21 days. Any 2nd penalty notice issued to the same parents for the same child withing a rolling 3year period will not have the option to pay the discounted rate. A maximum of 2 penalty notices may be issued within a rolling 3year period - the 3rd may be liable to prosecution or other attendance legal intervention.

Congratulations to Ms. J Galligan who won £100 in our July draw. Thank you to everyone who support our 100 Club – we sold 90 tickets & paid out prizes of £496.00.

Our summer events have raised a total of £2214.43 towards our new outside playground equipment. A massive thank you to everyone who helped, donated, attended & contributed.



**News** 

July 19th 2024

### A message from Mr. Turner

As we move towards the close of another school year, and my first term as Head Teacher at St Bernard's, I want to thank you for all your continued support towards our staff team. We enjoy every minute we spend enabling the children to learn, laugh and love. We will be saying a sad farewell to two members of staff. Mrs Stevenson who is retiring and Mrs Collinge who moves to work in another school. I am sure you will join me in thanking them for all their loyal service to this school and wish them well for their future. I am delighted to tell you that Miss Clayton begins her role as Deputy Headteacher in September.

We have made great progress again and it has been wonderful to receive so many positive comments from parents, carers and the local and wider community which reflect the growing confidence in our school. We are hugely proud of the children who are a real credit to our school & to you as parents and carers.

I would like to thank you all again for your continued support and wish all of the school community a safe, restful and enjoyable summer. I look forward to seeing you all again in September.

From September Lancashire CC has increased the cost of meals to  $\pounds$ 2.70. I am afraid we will have to pass this increase onto parents. A reminder that our current year 2 children who will go into year 3 in September will no longer be entitled to universal free meals.

If you think you may be entitled to free school meals please visit

https://lancashireself.achieveservice.com/service/ Free\_school\_meals\_and\_pupil\_premium

From September the children in Seahorses & Sharks will choose their dinner at morning registration rather than complete a menu in advance.

An E-voucher has been sent by email for **FSM children** to access holiday activities & a food programme over the summer. A £90 food voucher has also been sent for FSM eligible children.

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