St. Bernard's Catholic Primary School

& Nursery



28th March 2024

(part of Mater Ecclesiae Catholic M.A.T.) what's on after Easter?

Monday	Week 3 School Dinners
8th April	Irish Dancing Years 2 & 3 until 4:15 pm
	Girls' Football Training
Tuesday	AFC Football Y1 & 2 (Full)
Wednesday	Seahorses visiting the Steam Railway
	Egyptian Day in Leopards Class
Thursday	Holy Communion Programme at Sacred
	Heart 6:00 pm
Friday	

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Last Supper at Sacred Heart 6:30 pm

Good Friday

Readings & Morning Prayer at Sacred Heart 10:00 am Stations of the Cross at Sacred Heart 11:00 am Passion & Veneration of the Cross at Sacred Heart 3:00 pm

Once again a voucher will be available for parents of children who are entitled to Free School Meals (benefits based) for Easter. Each eligible pupil has been issued with £30, this was emailed to you on yesterday. If you think you may be entitled to F.S.M. please click this link <u>https://lancashireself.achieveservice.com/service/F</u> <u>ree_school_meals_and_pupil_premium</u>

Our new **school menu** for Spring / Summer starts Monday, 15th April. Here is the link for parents to pick their child's choices (Dolphins, Seahorses & Sharks only). Our junior children pick their meal at morning registration.

https://forms.gle/p3g9TAxmBqXLRDAZ8

Due to an increase in costs our ASC price per session will increase from £6.50 to £7.50 after Easter. All other session prices will remain the same. Please can parents ensure sessions are either paid for in advance or at the end of EVERY month.

Are any parents interested in joining our committee which oversees the running of the clubs – One meeting per term. If you are interested; please let either Mrs. Holden or Mrs. Mac know. Thank you.

Congratulations to Mr. S Mitchell who has won our **100 Club draw** - £100. Thank you for support.

School reopens after Easter on Monday, 8th April with our new headteacher Mr. Turner at the helm!

A Message from Mrs. Barlow

I am so fortunate to have had the privilege of being headteacher at St. Bernard's for the last 16 years. It is so hard to say "goodbye" so I won't! I just want to say some heartfelt thanks.

Firstly, to all our **Governors** including those who appointed me in the first place. Governors - your support and challenge over the years has helped St. Bernard's to continually grow and develop. Your commitment to excellence, support for the vulnerable and being a visible presence of God in our world has been unwavering - long may it continue!

Staff - where do I start? As head, I sit on your shoulders. It is you who make the difference in our children lives. For your incredible hard work, passion for education, love for our children and keeping me organised - there are just not enough words! For laughing and crying with me, jointly living out our Mission statement, walking with me in my leadership and making my job the best job in the world - I love you!

Parents - for sharing your children with us - thank you. For trusting us, being open and honest with us, sharing worries, sorrows and joys and letting us share your child's journey - thank you.

Children - You are my absolute joy! Being with you helps me keep my joy and enthusiasm for life. I am so very very proud of each and everyone of you. I know you may not all be absolutely perfect every minute of every day but I love you all just the way you are. When you sing all together in prayer and liturgy you bring a tear to my eye - or more recently many tears to my eyes! Always believe in yourselves and be the very best that you can. Remember our big 3 rules and live your lives by them. You are my joy and I have loved being your headteacher. I want to thank you for your love too.

It makes it easier for me to leave knowing that Mr. Turner will be your new headteacher - I am so happy for you all. He is amazing and will be a fantastic headteacher. I am very proud of him too. You are very lucky to have him as your headteacher.

God bless you all. Have a wonderful joyous Easter and know vou will all forever be in my heart and prayers. xxx

Parent Governor - Ballot papers are coming home tonight for all parents to vote. We have one vacancy & two nominees. Please place your vote in the envelope, seal it & return to the school office by Wednesday, 12th March at 12 noon.

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