

# St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School



# Newsletter

*"Doing our best for God"*

Friday 16th



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A warm and joyful welcome back to all our children, families, and staff as we begin the spring term. This is always a special time in our school year, filled with fresh starts, new learning, and the hopeful spirit that leads us towards Easter.

As we journey through this important season in the Church's calendar, we'll be preparing the children to reflect, celebrate, and grow in faith. There will be plenty happening in the coming weeks, and we're excited to share a range of activities, liturgies, and events that will help us walk together towards Easter.

Please keep an eye on our upcoming dates and notices so you don't miss anything. They will be published on the newsletter, ClassDojo and the website. We have lots planned and can't wait to get started as a school community once again.

It's wonderful to have everyone back - let's make this a term full of learning, joy, and togetherness.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support.  
Mrs Woolfall

## Football

A huge congratulations to the football team who have today finished 4<sup>th</sup> in the Lancashire Cup Final. They were representing the whole of Blackpool and they showed amazing teamwork, resilience and determination. We are immensely proud of them all. Thank you to everyone who supported them and Mr Sheridan and Mr Preston for their coaching.

## Year of Reading

2026 is a National Year of reading. We will be planning many different events to promote a love of reading.

Thank you to Aurora and William who have recently donated books to the library – if you have any good condition books which need a new home please speak to Mrs Pearson.

## PTFA

The PTFA plays a vital role in strengthening our school community by organising events, supporting fundraising, and helping to enrich the experiences of all our children. We want to re-establish this opportunity – for more information we will be hosting two drop in sessions:  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 9 – 9:30am or Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 4:30 – 5pm.

Please join us to see how we can further develop school.

## Staffing Update

Mrs Dowling, SENCo, retired in December. This role will now be held by Miss Greenhalgh. If you have any questions please direct them to her or Mrs Woolfall who will be more than happy to help.

Miss Straughair, Office, is on a leave of absence for personal reasons from school until further notice. Please direct any questions to Mrs Wells or Mrs Woolfall in the meantime.

## Attendance

We would like to remind parents of the importance of attendance and punctuality. The gates open at 8:50am with learning starting at 8:55am. We are currently updating our Attendance policy with updated legislation and will share it soon. Thank you for supporting us in your child attending school – missed days mean missed learning and missed opportunities.

Last week's attendance:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
90.20%	97.86%	95%	98.57%	96.90%	87.59%	98.71%

This week's attendance:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
90.94%	100%	95.83%	97.50%	98.62%	95.30%	100%

## Clubs

Monday – to 4:30pm – Glow in the dark Dodgeball – Year 5 and Year 6

Tuesday – Fit to Go – Year 3

Wednesday – to 4:30pm – Glow in the dark Dodgeball – Year 1 and Year 2

Thursday – to 4:30pm – Young Voices Choir

**Well done to the following superstars. You have all shone brightly and impressed your teachers. We are very proud of you!**



	<b>Autumn Term Awards</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup> January</b>
<b>Reception</b>	Vinuja	Lucie
<b>Year 1</b>	Jasmine	India
<b>Year 2</b>	Skyla	Iliana
<b>Year 3</b>	Ben P	Alfie
<b>Year 4</b>	Jack	Evi
<b>Year 5</b>	Millie	Lucy
<b>Year 6</b>	Jacob	Sophie B
<b>Kitchen Award</b>	Jack	Alice
<b>Headteacher's Award</b>	-	Leela

## Diary Dates

Date	Time	Event
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	2:30	Year 6 Class Mass in Church
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	2:30	Year 5 Class Mass in Church
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	All Day	Year 5 to Cyber Festival
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	2:30 pm	Year 4 Class Mass in Church
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	9:15am	Year 3 Class Mass in Church
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	1:45-3pm	EYFS Stay and Play in School