



# St Bernadette's Roman Catholic Primary School

*Live the Gospel and when necessary use words*

## Bernadette's Blog



### Our 2018 Nursery and Reception Nativities

On Tuesday morning, Mrs McGuigan and Miss Clark were delighted to have all the Nursery Class children come together to perform their Nativity.

The hall was packed with parents and grandparents eager to see the children's very first Nativity. It was entitled, "The Nursery Rhyme Nativity"

There wasn't a dry eye in the place.

The children did a fantastic job!

First thing, this morning, it was the turn of our Reception Classes to invite their families to see their Nativity play.

It was called, "A King is Born"

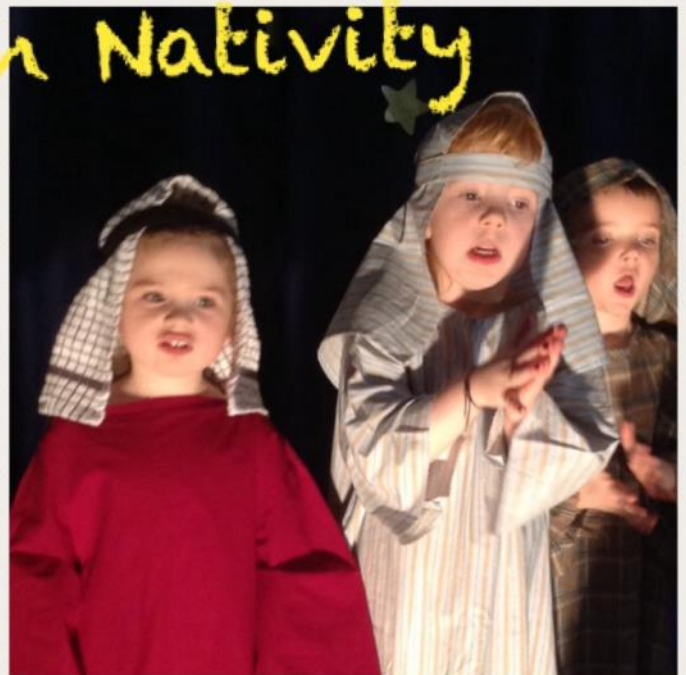
Once again the children sang their hearts out and performed their lines brilliantly with support from their Y6 buddies.

Mrs Walker, Miss Kincaid & Mrs Collins are very proud of you all!





# A King is Born





# #Prayitforward

## Our Advent Project, **#Pray it forward**

has got off to a great start.

Don't forget to check out the Facebook page for the latest posts!

Here are just a few of the beautiful photographs which you have been kind enough to send in.

Please keep it going for the next couple of weeks. The children will be bringing home their second Advent prayer pod this afternoon.

Remember the children can choose to share their prayer with someone or to leave the prayer pod to be found by someone.



*We've been sent out first pod story- 'Whilst visiting family in Morecambe, Finley decided he wanted to leave his prayer pod on the Eric Morecambe statue for someone to find. We hung it from his hand and 10 minutes later it had gone so we are hopeful someone found it.' We hope the prayer is about bringing joy as that's exactly what the statue represents!! Well done boys - what a fantastic photo!!*



*'Me and my 2 little boys are on holiday in Center Parcs*

*Sherwood forest and found this little Bauble, the only name on it was Katie. My eldest can't wait to share it with his friends at church on Sunday. Wow!! Thank you.*





# Walking With...

We were invited to represent our classes on a visit to the Walking With Charity in Wallsend. We were taken first on a tour of their office.

It amazed us to see their work in action. We saw the food bank and helped to stack the shelves with toothbrushes, toothpastes and shampoos.

We were so lucky with the day we chose to go because the charity had just received their donation of toys from Metro Radio's Cash for Kids. We were gob smacked by how many toys had been given. At first it seemed huge but when we realised that the charity are working with 80 families and that this would be some of the children's only toys this year - it suddenly didn't seem a lot.

We helped out sorting all of the toys into ages so that they can be given out at their Christmas party. We really enjoyed our time at the charity and they assured us we had been a massive help.

It made us realise how lucky we are and how generous people are at Christmas. It was a pleasure to be there.

Niamh, Riley, Aaron, Phoebe, Jack and Lexie





## Our Monday Liturgy

On Monday morning Mrs Milner and this week's Liturgy Group welcomed their parents and the whole school to their Liturgy. They celebrated the start of Advent on Sunday. Their "Mission" is evident around the school in footprints.



## Choir singing at Walkergate Hospital

Congratulations to our school choir who went, with Mrs Milner, on Wednesday morning to sing carols at to patients, their families and staff at the Brain Injury Unit of Walkergate Hospital.

It was a really special moment in our preparations for Christmas. Special thanks must go to Mrs Rudd, who came out of retirement to accompany the children.





# Travelling Cribs

We love to see photos of The Travelling Crib in your homes.  
Please email them to [stbernadettes.primary@northtyneside.gov.uk](mailto:stbernadettes.primary@northtyneside.gov.uk)



Olivia and Henry enjoyed having the travelling crib at home, this week.



Isabel and Sophia really enjoyed sharing the Travelling Crib prayer and story with their little sister .



Oliver and Vinnie having a quiet moment to reflect on the real meaning of Christmas with the travelling crib.

Sophie, Hannah and Charlotte enjoying the crib.  
Sophie really liked reading the bible to the her sisters and completing the activities.



Millie shared the travelling crib with her baby nephew, Jacob. He is obviously enjoying it!





# Safety First!

We have had a very poor take up for the Hi Vis bibs for children who walk to school, so far.

It is all to help keep our children safe on these dark nights and mornings- and they are **FREE!!!**

We have available children's size Medium and Small.

If you would like your child to have one- please call into the school office!

We hope you will join in this great initiative.



# Comics

To encourage reading and make it lots of fun, our Reception Classes are hoping to provide a variety of comics for the children to read.

Do you have any at home that your children have finished with?

If so (and they aren't too tatty!) Please could you donate them to us?

Many thanks!



# Win this Signed Newcastle Shirt!



The PTA will be selling raffle tickets at each Nativity Play for the chance to win this signed Newcastle United shirt. Tickets will cost 50p.

We are going to be selling tickets on Thursday 13th Dec 8.30-9am in main reception and also in Year 2 Parents' nativity Wednesday 19th December at church in the queue. Could be a great Christmas gift for someone in your family!





# Sports and Achievements

Ruby was named  
"Star of the  
Week" in her  
dancing class-  
AGAIN!  
Congratulations  
Ruby!



Congratulations to  
Alfie who was named  
"Man of the match"  
by his  
Saturday Team



We love to hear all about your achievements! If you want to be on this page,  
take a photo and please send it to: [stbernadettes.primary@northtyneside.gov.uk](mailto:stbernadettes.primary@northtyneside.gov.uk)



Hannah won one gold,  
two silver and one  
fourth place medals at  
the Tynemouth Gala.  
Huge congratulations!  
Brilliant effort!



Luke also got  
medals for fourth  
place in the  
Tynemouth Gala.  
Well done,  
Luke.



Ava will soon be  
swimming in galas  
too!  
She has been  
awarded her 10  
metre badge!  
Fantastic effort!



Isabel, Freya and Sophia  
are all performing in the  
Cinderella Pantomime at  
the Peoples Theatre.  
They have been  
rehearsing lots over the  
last few months and they  
are ready for their first  
show on Saturday.  
Good luck, girls!!!



Here's Charlie  
passing his Judo  
grading and moving  
up to Level 4  
Green stripe belt.  
He works so hard  
every week.  
Congratulations,  
Charlie!  
Great stuff!





# Messages from the School Office

## Breakfast Club

Parents and Carers **MUST BOOK A PLACE ONLINE FOR BREAKFAST CLUB.**

The booking page does not close until 8pm on Friday evenings for the next week. Numbers are growing and places are limited. Don't miss out! **You may now book on all the way to Christmas. Miss Coates has been busy again!!!!**

Please remember children requiring breakfast must be in by 8.15am please.



## Pupil Absence

If you do not inform us via ParentMail or the telephone absence line that your child will not be in school, you will receive a text message asking you to call the school office.

Many thanks!



## KS2 Christmas Performance

Key Stage 2 will be performing  
"The Magical Christmas Jigsaw" on  
Wednesday, 19th December at 6pm.

Please email school and let us know in the  
office on 0191 200 7363 if your child is **not  
able to attend.**

This will help us ensure the tickets go to the  
families of children who are performing.



## After School Clubs

All payments should be complete if your child is booked on an After School Club.

Go to Parentpay. Look in "Shop" and put the item into your basket.

Please phone the office if you have any difficulties. 200 7363.



# Saint Bernadette's Christmas Diary 2018

## Key Stage One Nativities

Wednesday, 12th December at 2pm

(For Year One Parents and Grandparents only please)

Thursday, 13th December at 9am

(For Year Two Parents and Grandparents only please)

## Christmas Dinner Day

(Children may wear their Christmas Jumpers)

Thursday, 13th December

## Key Stage One Christmas Party

Friday, 14th December

## Key Stage Two Christmas Parties

Friday, 14th December

LKS 2 (Y3s & Y4s) 1.30pm-3pm\*

UKS 2 (Y5s & Y6s) 4.30pm-6pm\*

(\*Both these events will take place in the Parish Centre.  
LKS2 children will be walked to and from the centre by staff)

## Nursery Christmas Party

Tuesday, 18th December

## Key Stage Two Nativity

(This will take place in Church)

Wednesday, 19th December at 6pm

## Reception Christmas Party

Thursday, 20th December

In order to help parents and carers organise arrangements  
we have provided above a list of planned

Christmas Events. We shall do our very best to keep to the  
list of dates and promise to let you know  
asap if unavoidable changes have to happen.





## Christmas Lunch Menu

Roast Turkey  
& Chipolata Sausage  
Or  
Quorn Roast

Served with  
Golden Roast Potatoes  
Carrot Rondelles  
Garden Peas  
Brussels Sprouts

Chocolate Crispy 'Christmas Pudding'



Our Christmas Dinner Day is next Thursday, (13th)  
Children may wear Christmas jumpers if they wish.

**Christmas Activities**  
South West Locality Team  
21<sup>st</sup> December – 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019  
Howdon Children's Centre, 11a Howdon Lane, Waltham, NE28 0AL  
For more information call Howdon Children's Centre on 0191 643 2229

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**  
Breakfast with Santa  
Enjoy some tasty treats with Santa in his Grotto.  
Booking required!  
10:00am – 11:30am  
Howdon Children's Centre

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> December**  
Family Fun – Winter Crafts  
Snowman pictures and ice painting  
10:00am – 11:30am  
Howdon Children's Centre

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January**  
0-2 Stay and Play  
1:00pm – 3:00pm  
Well Baby Clinic  
Health Related Advice 0-5  
1:00pm – 3:00pm  
Howdon Children's Centre

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January**  
Family Fun – Winter Crafts  
Calendar making  
10:00am – 11:30am  
Howdon Children's Centre

WiFi Free

## Mini-Vinnie Update



The Mini Vinnies will be continuing to collect unwanted spectacles throughout the year. Just send any you have.

Our Mini Vinnies have been collecting unwanted spectacles; these will help raise funds for the Marie Curie hospice as well as supporting those in third world countries.







Mass: Sunday 11.30am  
Fr John McElhone— 0191 2623820  
[www.wallsend-aidettes.co.uk](http://www.wallsend-aidettes.co.uk)



# Star of the Week

## Dates for your Diary

12th December	KS1 Nativity
13th December	KS1 Nativity
	Christmas Dinner Day
14th December	KS1 & 2 Christmas Parties

For more dates check out our website at



Holy  
Toast  
Winner

Nursery	Everybody for the fab Nativity
Reception (AW)	Oscar R
Reception (SK)	Nathaniel
Year 1	Isla
Year 1/2	Stephen
Year 2	Vinnie
Year 3	Grant G
Year 3/4	Berry H
Year 4	Ben T
Year 5	Caeden
Year 5/6	Aaron A
Year 6	Matthew J



## Mission Value

Our value for this term is  
"Belonging"

Attendance of the  
week

Year 2

100%

Congratulations!