Friday, 21st October 2016



"Walking With" charity in Wallsend and "The Barn"

in Meadowell.

#### St Bernadette's Roman Catholic Primary School

Live the Gospel and when necessary use words



### Bernadette's Blog Harvest Festival Time

"Thank you!" to everyone who sent in donations for our 2016 Harvest Liturgy. This will be held in school this afternoon. (Sorry-children only.) As always we love to share the gifts of Harvest with the older members of our community. We will send a selection of fresh fruit, vegetables and chocolate in **36** Harvest Bags. Look out for the Harvest bag coming home after school, today if you have nominated an elderly person. We have also collected tinned and dried foods to share with





On Monday, the children in our Early Years had great fun and games at their Hallowe'en Disco.

Our Y1 and Y2 children had a great time coming back to school later on for their disco. They all enjoyed being dressed in their fabulous costumes. This evening our Key Stage 2 Discos will take place:

Year 3s and Year 4s 5pm-6.30pm Year 5s and Year 6s 7pm-8.30pm

Many thanks to Alison and her fantastic PTA team for all their hard work and organisation!

## Spooky Times at St. Bernadette's

## Halloween Disco





17th October 2016

#### Local History Exhibition

#### at the Discovery Museum

Yesterday, Mr Keys and some of his class went to the Discovery Museum in Newcastle to help set up our exhibition of what we have been studying in Local History as part of our work about

#### "Family"

The work will only be on display for a very limited time only from

#### Thursday, 20th October – Sunday, 23rd October

on the 1st floor balcony.

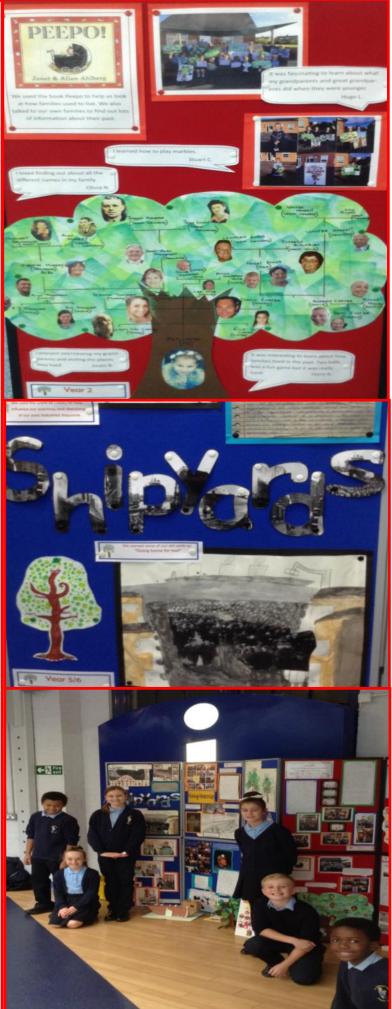
There is work on display from our Early Years children right up to Year 6.

#### **Discovery Museum**

Opening hours 10am-4pm (Fri) 11am-4pm (Sat & Sun)

Many families have got involved in this project producing their own family trees for us to share. It has been a fascinating project which has helped the children recognise the importance of where they come from. Why not go along and what we've been up to?

The display will be moving to Wallsend Library on Monday for Half Term week.



Year 5 Local History Walk around Wallsend

On Tuesday our Year 5 children took a lovely walk in the Autumn sunshine to discover more about our local heritage. They walked down to

Wallsend town centre taking in all the different types of housing along the way. In the fabulous new Wallsend library, the children were able to explore the local archives that are stored there.









A lovely walk through Wallsend today in gorgeous sunshine. We looked at who lived in certain houses in 1910. We then ended up in the library where we examined maps and photos dating back over 150 years.





#### **A** Special Visitor

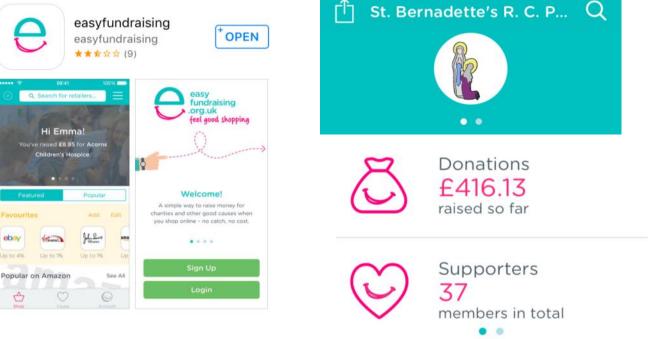
This week we have had a lot of visits from this young cat. She takes any opportunity available to get into school through an open door or window and has been very eager to join breakfast club and Nursery. She even waits for the doors to be opened at 9am. She obviously loves children but unfortunately we have some children in school who are highly allergic

(and a couple of staff who are highly terrified!) We would ask you therefore to not encourage the pet by petting or making a fuss of her. Thank you!!!





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Thank you to those of you who have recently signed up to easyfundraising—our total is rising. If you are doing any Christmas shopping over half term, booking any holidays, buying insurance, mobile phones—generally purchasing anything on the internet. we would greatly appreciate it if you did it through easyfundraising.

#### Key Stage 1 "Family" Tea Party

A big "Thank you" to all the parents, carers and grandparents who came along to school yesterday afternoon and helped the children in Key Stage 1 celebrate their learning for this half term. Afternoon tea was enjoyed by all as were old fashioned games.

The children were so pleased to share the work that they are proud of producing this term with you.

#### **Parent Governor Elections**

Congratulations to

#### Jayne Miley

who got the most votes for our new parent Governor. We would like to thank all the other candidates for putting themselves forward for this very important role.

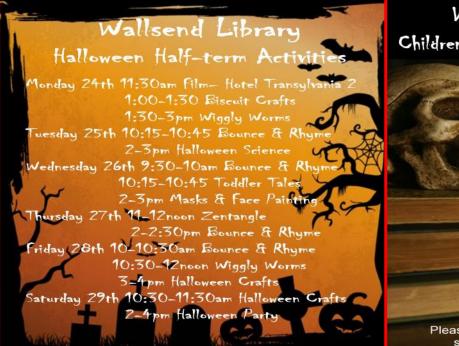


#### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast club booking forms for next half term are now available on our website: <a href="http://www.st-bernadettesprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Breakfast+Club&pid=91">http://www.st-bernadettesprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Breakfast+Club&pid=91</a>

Please ensure your child is booked on by Thursday 4pm the previous week so we can ensure correct staffing levels and sufficient breakfast available.

## Looking for something to do over the holidays?



Wallsend Library Children's Spooky Story Competition Write a spooky short story There will be a prize for the best d's & under and over &'s Story Please hand in stories to a member of staff by Saturday 29th October

Scary Tales at Tynemouth Priory 22, 23, 28, 29, 30, 31 October 2016 Daily tours start at 6pm, 7.30pm and 9pm This Halloween you are invited to a spooky, theatrical experience in the grounds of Tynemouth Priory and Castle. Guides will lead you in



the darkness for an hour of spooky tales and frights. Tours are suitable for adults and children over eight years old. Tickets are £11 each (including book-ing fee).

Monday 24th - Thursday 27th October 10.00am - 3.00pm £44 per child

Venues





Click here to book for Goals Newcastle, Gosforth

<u>Click here</u> to book for Ponteland Middle School, Ponteland

<u>Click here</u> to book Valley Gardens Middle School, Whitley Bay

Please <u>check here</u> for additional information for parents about our courses.

It's not too late to book onto a football course for over the holidays.

nu.foundation.org.uk or tel. 0844 3721892

Saturday 5th Nov booking!	ember and are now o	open for
Weekly Skills Ce	ntres	
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Powerleague, No	orth Shields	
	Reception - Year 2	£24
	Year 3 - Year 5	
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	Goalkeepers	£36

Ponteland Middle	School	
5.00-6.00pm	Years 1 - Year 11	£24

## PTA News

#### Hallowe'en Discos

If you have stated that your child needs medication, please ensure that you bring it along to tonight's discos as the PTA will not have access to any medication kept in school.

#### Thank you!

#### **Unwanted Gifts?**

Do you have any unwanted gifts you could donate to the PTA Christmas Fayre, please? We would love to have them. We are collecting now!





Has anyone seen a bag like this please?

This bag has disappeared from one of our cloakrooms. Please let us know if you have seen it.

## Reminder from the Office

Parents/Carers of children in Year 6 are reminded that they must have their applications for High School in by FRIDAY, 28th OCTOBER



#### Warning over button batteries

North Tyneside Council is warning parents about the deadly dangers of swallowing button batteries.

Following a rise in the number of children admitted to

hospital in the UK after swallowing the small metal discs, the council is hoping to raise awareness in North Tyneside.

Its public health and trading standards teams are joining forces to make sure posters are displayed in communities and they're supporting health professionals to highlight the dangers to families in the borough.

The batteries are commonly found in a range of electrical devices, from toys, key fobs, remote controls to birthday cards,

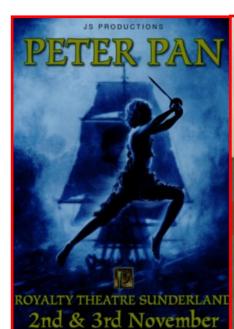
If swallowed, they can often become lodged in the food pipe where they can burn through tissue and quickly cause a hole, potentially causing life-changing injuries or even death in young children.

Cllr Margaret Hall, cabinet member for Public Health, said: "Although there have been no reported cases in North Tyneside, we want to make sure it stays that way, which is why we're working hard to highlight the potential dangers to as many families as possible. "Parents are aware of the impact and dangers swallowing household cleaners can have on children and the accidental swallowing of a button battery should be treated in the same way.

"If your child does swallow one, we'd urge you to seek medical attention straight away."

For more information please visit <u>http://www.educationservices.org.uk/Article/22637</u>

## **Sports/Achievements Page**





Regular readers of this blog will recognise Georgina as the very talented singer and dancer, who often wins medals. Now we have even more exciting news-Georgina has won a place in the cast of Peter Pan at the Royalty Theatre Sunderland on 2nd and 3rd November. She will be

playing one of the Lost Boys. We wish her all the luck in the world.

Some of our Y5 and Y6 children joined Suzie Jones in The St. Thomas More Musical Transition Initiative. They are learning to sing 'Adiemus'.





Oliver has good reason to look so happy! He was named Man of the Match for his team. Congratulations!





Here is Layla With the Gold Medal she was awarded for her Level 2 Ice Skating Award. Congratulations, Layla! (Those leg warmers take me back!!)

Do you have any special achievements you would like to share with us ? We love to hear what you've been up to! email christine.mcconville@ntlp.org.uk You could be in our next blog!



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This week is the last week of half term, we all hope you have a brilliant holiday!!If you are doing something exciting over the holidays, write one or two paragraphs about your trip, then hand it in to one of the Just Kidz members. [Lucy E, Chloe, Mille S, Kejsi





Last week's 'Guess Who?' answer was Hannah!

Well done to Daniel E, who got the riddle right last week. If you didn't know the answer, it was a penny!



## Happy Halloween from all of the just kidz team!





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stbernadettes.primary@northtyneside.gov.uk	Reception (DM)	Мау
	Reception (AR)	Joe
Toast	Year 1	Roma
	Year 1/2	Leo A-Q
Winner	Year 2	Stuart
	Year 3	Charlotte
Dates for your Diary	Year 3/4	Igor
Friday, 21st Oct Break up for Half Term Holiday	Year 4	Fane
5pm-6.30pm Hallowe'en Disco for Y3s and Y4s 7pm-8.30pm Hallowe'en Disco for Y5s and Y6s	Year 5	Lana
Wednesday, 2nd Nov 3.45pm-5pm Curriculum Evening	Year 5/6	Thomas
For more dates check out our website at www.st-bernadettesprimary.co.uk	Year 6	Sophie
<b>Our Mission Value</b>	<u>wa</u> <u>Year 1/2 /</u> Congratula	<u>nce of the</u> eek Miss Kincaid tions! 100%

**Family** Call it a clan, call it a network, call it a tribe, call it a family. Whatever you call it, whoever you are, you need one. ~Jane Howard