

Friday, 8th January, 2021

## St Bernadette's Roman Catholic Primary School

*Live the Gospel and when necessary use words*



# Bernadette's Blog

# 2021! Here we come!

On Monday evening we were all stunned by the PM's announcement of another full lockdown.

Having spent all day preparing for a full return to school, Mrs Fallon and Mrs Milner once again did their impressions of

Wonder Woman to set the wheels in action for the education of Key Workers' children and provision of Home Learning to once again be in place in a matter of hours.

They were, as ever, supported by our brilliant teaching and support staff.

This amazing St. Bernadette's team adapt themselves to whatever is thrown at them, always putting the needs of our pupils and the school community first.

Thanks to everyone who sent in kind messages of support.

They were most appreciated.



May's new year resolution is to stop biting her nails. Good luck, May!



Joe wants to keep fit during Lockdown#3! What a great idea!



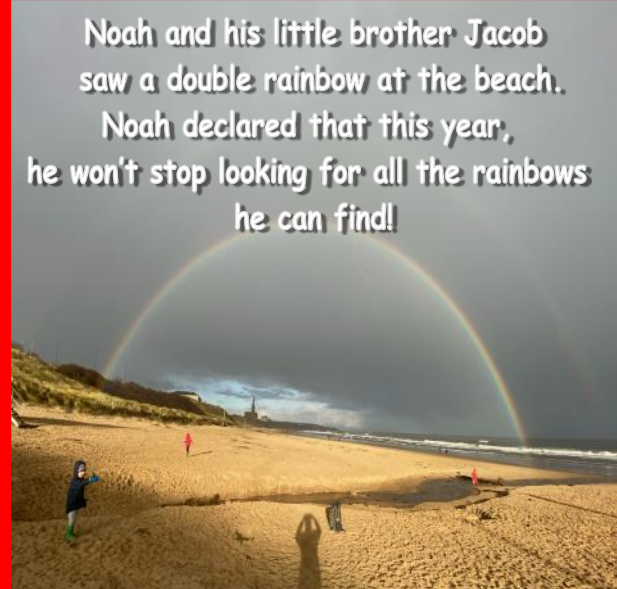
Jack is going to learn to play a song on his new guitar!



Jessica and Dylan will be working towards completing the Try on the Tyne Junior Virtual Duathlon. That's real ambition! Good luck!!



Layla's goal is to do this pose in a hand stand rather than a head stand in 2021



Noah and his little brother Jacob saw a double rainbow at the beach. Noah declared that this year, he won't stop looking for all the rainbows he can find!



# We Are Making 2021 Count!



Imogen has decided to take more responsibility for her animals by feeding and cleaning up and playing with them! She loves her kitten Mabel!



Isla has decided she would like to read some new books she got for Christmas and set time aside to enjoy them



Rose and Rupert's goal for 2021 is to learn to ride their bikes with no stabilisers.



Paige would like to become a better writer.



Jessica is going to read all of the Harry Potter books in 2021. Magic!



Arthur wants to learn Karate in 2021.



Daniel wants to join a football club.

Thank you to everyone who shared their 2021 goal with us. don't forget to let us know if and when you achieve it! We wish you every success!

## Next Week!

Look out for our Winter Art Works Gallery.  
Details for contributions will be with you on Monday morning.

# Acts of Kindness
















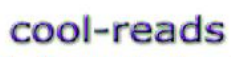





Faye gave the Angel of Hope to Liam for his bravery when he had treatment in hospital in December before. That was a lovely thing to do, Faye! Hope your arm is feeling a lot better now, Liam.



Here is Joseph making food donations to a local food bank. We are super proud of him. That so kind! Such a good idea to use any left over Christmas foodstuff that aren't needed.



# Home Learning Ideas

English	Maths	Topics
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Teachers will direct you to useful websites and there are lists on the school websites.

These are just a few extras your child may enjoy!



# Remote Learning & Reading Books Reminder

Our aim is that every morning your child will meet their teacher and class mates to have the days learning explained.

THE SAME GOOGLE CODE IS USED FOR EVERY DAY - the one you used already. THE SAME TIME IS USED FOR EVERY DAY - the times have changed slightly for Early Years but remain the same for everyone else.

9.00am - UKS2

9.20am - LKS2

9.40am - KS1

10.00am - Reception MRS WALKER

10.15am - Reception MISS KINCAID

10.30am - Nursery

Please keep in contact with us particularly if you are experiencing any issues with Remote Learning. Class teachers are available on Seesaw between 8am and 5.30pm.

## Reading Books

Today, Reading Books will be available for all children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3.

Learning packs will also be available for all children in these year groups as well as Year 4.

Children in Year 5 and Year 6 can collect exercise books to work in. Pens, pencils and coloured pencils will also be available for anyone who would like them.

These will be available to collect from the school foyer between 9.10pm and 3.00pm. Please do not come at drop off or pick up time. We did consider giving everyone time slots to collect but appreciate that home learning and working patterns are already placing a lot of time pressures on families so we would invite you to pop along at a time to suit you. You might want to make it part of your daily walk?

We would please ask that you social distance in the car park and allow other families 2 metre distances. It would be great to think that families who live in close vicinity to each other could share the collection of packs.

If your child is in school they will be sent home with their learning packs and reading books on Friday evening. Thank you!

# Sports Awards and Achievements



Here's Josie with a medal she received just before Christmas. She received it for keeping up her dancing throughout 2020. Well done!!



Kora graded in karate and gained three white tags on her brown belt. She is over the moon as it was totally unexpected. Delighted for you, Kora!



## Happy Birthday!

We would love to see all your Home Learning activities, birthday photos, achievements, good news, sports awards and acts of kindness on the blog each week! Let's keep in touch during Lockdown!

Please email to [blog@st-bernadettesprimary.co.uk](mailto:blog@st-bernadettesprimary.co.uk) by 10am Thursdays

## Forwarded Information

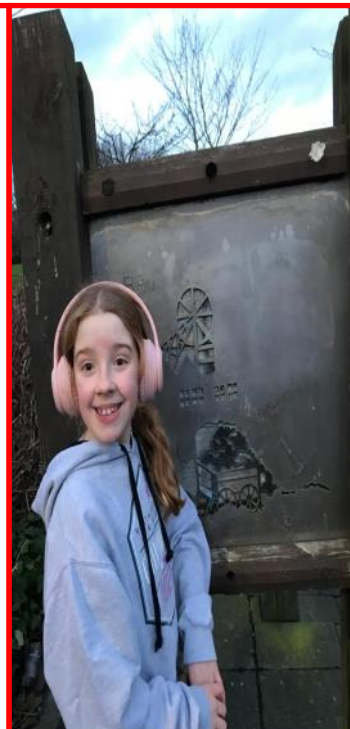
The Baby Equipment Loan Service and Toy Library is still open and has lots of fun educational toys available which may help families with their home schooling.

The Toy Library caters for children from 0-15 years.

Find them on Facebook  
call 2635770.



## Out For A Walk?



Over the Christmas break, Hannah's mum took her to Redburn Dene to show her entrances that were made by school children in the area. She loved seeing the St Bernadette's one that was worked on by mum Kirsty and her friends many years ago.

*(Not too many-makes me feel old!!!)*

Look out for this, if you are out for an exercise session.



Mass: Sunday 11.30am  
Fr John McElhone— 0191 2623820

Message from Fr John



We have launched new more interactive websites bringing you the most up to date news regarding our parish communities which will be updated on a daily basis.

These can be found at:

[www.staidanschurch.uk](http://www.staidanschurch.uk)

[www.stbernadetteschurch.uk](http://www.stbernadetteschurch.uk)

On our websites you will find information relating to times that churches will be open, booking a place for Mass and the initiatives that we will be undertaking to try and keep in touch with parishioners.

Additionally we have a Facebook Page:

[St Aidan's and St Bernadette's Community Page](#)  
which you can join.

# Holy Toast



**Keep Smiling!**

**We'll get there!**

## Prayer for the Week

**Pope Francis**  
**Prayer for protection from Coronavirus**

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas - we who are put to the test - and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.



Domestic abuse –  
**Where to  
get help  
during the  
Covid-19  
pandemic**

**For 2 million victims of domestic abuse, home may not be the safe place it should be.**

We can help and support you if you are experiencing domestic abuse, you can contact Northumbria Police by telephone on 101, or online via [www.northumbria.police.uk](http://www.northumbria.police.uk)

However in an emergency, always call 999. If you dial 999 and are unable to speak, the emergency operator will ask you to dial 55 and to follow their instruction to quickly put you in touch with Police.

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