Friday, 11th January, 2019



St Bernadette's Roman Catholic Primary School

Live the Gospel and when necessary use words

**Bernadette's Blog** 



### Happy New Year!!

### <u>Community is our new theme.</u>

Spring Term began on Monday, with Mrs Milner's special Liturgy to celebrate the feast of The Epiphany, when the three kings, Casper, Melchior and Balthazar visited the baby Jesus. You may see the initials CMB chalked above doorways around the school. This is an old Catholic Tradition. The letters stand for the latin phrase, "Christus mansionem benedicat" which means: "May Christ bless the house" The initials are those of the three kings. We wish everyone in our school community,

blessings for the year ahead.



This term in Early Years our focus is around community.

We will be looking at our own

community and culture here in school as well as here in The UK. We will also be learning about the community and culture of other nationalities.

We will be looking at traditional foods, celebrations/festivals and special celebration days.

### CAN YOU HELP???

If you have a different nationality we would love to talk to you about these types of things so that we can help our children learn more and understand other cultures and the types of things you do and enjoy.

Please speak to Mrs McGuigan, Mrs Walker or Miss Kincaid who will be very excited to learn new things too!

> Many thanks The Early Years Team

### **PTA News**



### Alison would love to see you at our next PTA meeting on Tuesday, 22nd January, 2019 at 6pm

The more the merrier for planning an exciting year ahead packed with new events and old favourites!

Congratulations to Sophia who was the lucky winner of the PTA raffle for the signed Newcastle United Shirt.

Her ticket was drawn out at our final celebration assembly before we broke up.

Thank you to everyone who supported us by buying a ticket.

Over £100 was raised and will be added to PTA funds.





### Working Together in Year 2



Year 2 used blindfolds to experience what life could like without the sense of sight. They guided each other through an obstacle course and had to keep each other safe.







## Year 3 News

Every Monday morning for this half term, all our Year Three aged children will be undergoing Crossing Training. Please ensure that the children have a warm coat for this outdoor activity.



## Pizza Party



FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT my.northtyneside.gov.uk/pizzaparty

# **Message from Father John**

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Father John looks forward to welcoming the children in this year's Sacramental Preparation Group on Tuesday, 15th January at 6pm at St. Aidan's To celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation



## Interested?\*



High Vis Vests

We have had a disappointingly low take up on our High Vis vests. Please, please come and get them for your children and help keep them safe on these dark winter days. This is a great initiative which could really save lives!

Happy Birthday!!



## **Sports and Achievements**

Seb moved up to his white belt badge. A great achievement as he's only been doing it for 3 months. We are all so very proud of him.



Congratulations to Hannah who was named "Swimmer of the Year" in her age group by her Swimming Club. What an honourwell deserved!





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



### **More Sports and Achievements**



Alex has passed his Stage 1 swimming award. He is excited about appearing on our blog! We are so pleased for you, Alex-well done!





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#### **Holiday List**

#### September 2019 – July 2020

#### Advent Term (Autumn Term)

	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2019
-	Friday 25th October 2019
-	Monday 4th November 2019
-	Friday 20th December 2019
-	Monday 6th January 2020
-	Friday 14th February 2020
-	Monday 24th February 2020
-	Friday 3rd April 2020
-	Tuesday 20th April 2020
-	Monday 4th May 2020
-	Friday 22nd May 2020
-	Monday 1st June 2020
-	Friday 17th July 2020
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#### Children's entitlement to school

All schools in the country must open for children for 190 days of education. Holidays in term time are no longer permitted unless in exceptional circumstances, and only with headteachers permission. **Headteachers are not permitted to grant leave for family holidays**. Please note these holiday regulations do not apply to Nursery.

#### **Teacher Training Days**

Teacher's contracts of employment identify five days when teachers must attend in service training (dates to follow). There will be 4 training days this academic year. 1 further training day must be taken from holiday time or twilight sessions after school.

#### Public Examinations

Parents of children in Year 2 and Year 6 will be taking their SATS in May, and it is very important that they have excellent attendance and no absences in May.

# Messages from the School Office Breakfast Club

Parents and Carers <u>MUST BOOK A PLACE ONLINE FOR BREAKFAST CLUB</u>. 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 Easter. 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!

# **Rose Garden Gates**

Parents and Grandparents please note that the

### Rose Gardens Gates must be locked at <u>9am promptly</u>.

This will mean that children will have to come around to the main entrance if they are late. Mr Thomas has to lock all the school gates and cannot be asked to bring children through. Sorry!

# After School Clubs

This term's Clubs are now available. Please remember to only book your child onto ONE club. This is fairer as it allows more children to attend. 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.

# Year 6 SATs Meeting

Miss Hall and Miss Smith look forward to meeting the parents of all Year 6 children at the SATs meeting next **Thursday**, **17th January at 5pm**.



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Mass: Sunday 11.30am Fr John McElhone— 0191 2623820 www.wallsend-aidettes.co.uk





Dates for your Diary		James T
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15th January Sacrament of Reconciliatio		
16th January Y2 (Miss Sweeney) Class Li	iturgy Reception (AW)	Heleyn
22nd January Olympic Sports Day	Reception	Ahsan
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www.st-bernadettesprimary.co.uk	Year 1	Charlie P
	Fire di Keep s	Julia G
	Year 2	Kam
This week's	Year 3	Luke
	Year 3/4	Jamie Mc
Holy Toast	Year 4	Jessica O
Winner	Year 5	Lucas R
	Year 5/6	Oliver L
	Year 6	Lily



Our value for this term is "Community"

