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St. Bernadette's Newsletter

W/B 22nd Jan 24- every fortnight

Prayer & Liturgy



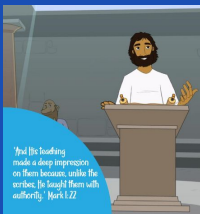
In the Gospel this week...

We hear about Jesus calling the first disciples and how he tells them to drop what they are doing and come now! Jesus gives us the best news and this is His invitation - to listen to Him, turn back to Him and believe what He tells us because the kingdom of God is close at hand.



In the Gospel next week...

We hear how Jesus' teaching was amazing, it changes people when they hear it, because what He says is spoken by God to show us who God is - are we ready to listen to Him?



Please click [here](#) to view the Wednesday Word for this week.



SAVE THE DATE

- **Thursday 1st February 2024**
Year 4 Assembly 9:15am - parents are welcome
- **Wednesday 7th February**
Activ Great Britain Athlete visit in school
- **Thursday 8th February**
- **EYFS Fairytale morning (More info to follow)**
- **Thursday 29th February**
Year 3 Assembly 9:15am - parents are welcome
- **Thursday 7th March (and Weds 6th March)**
World Book Day - see page 4 for more information

New members of the St. Bernadette's Team

We have already welcomed Mrs Keogh back and we have welcomed Ms Kenny to our team.

Mrs Hackney and Mrs Broughton have also joined the staff at St. Bernadette's and it's like they have always worked with us. We are happy to have them on our team.

School Uniform

The children look fantastic in their school uniform. If you have any unwanted items, we would love to rehome them. Please bring the into school and they can re gifted to someone else.

Reminder

Only Black Shoes or Trainers are to be worn and no jewellery (only studs should be worn)



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ASPIRE Stars!

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FS1 - Antonina Latanska
FS2 - Ralph Stewart
Yr 1 - Louie Fayle
Yr 2 - Annabella Gee
Yr 3 - Bobby Lawson
Yr 4 - Faith-Olivia Gee
Yr 5 - Harley Lomas
Yr 6 - Isabella Humphreys

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FS1 - Eidy-Rayne Robinson
FS2 - Lula-Nova Wilkins-Scotti
Yr 1 - Aubree-Jae Pickering
Yr 2 - Cillian Murphy
Yr 3 - Leonardo Pidler
Yr 4 - Madalyn Burr
Yr 5 - Charlie Espley
Yr 6 - Aisla Cain

Acts of Kindness

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FS1 - Alicja Malec
FS2 - Noah Kelsall
Yr 1 - Ivy Allen
Yr 2 - Navy Bracken
Yr 3 - Alex Cichocki
Yr 4 - Rowan Broad
Yr 5 - Sebastian Sanabria
Yr 6 - Lucian Genovese-Manuel

W/B 15th January 2024

FS1 - Albie Evans
FS2 - Edward Cain
Yr 1 - Kaius Tomlinson
Yr 2 - Violet McGill
Yr 3 - Darcie Brookes
Yr 4 - Minnie Williams-Mellor
Yr 5 - Lyla Thorley
Yr 6 - Naomi Kaliwoh

Superstar Readers!

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EY/KS1 - Mia-Rose Walker
KS2 - Maizie Clare

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EY/KS1 - Sofia Todd
KS2 - John Sykes



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ACTIV KIDS UK - Athlete Visit!!!

On Wednesday 7th February we are going to be having a very special visit from athlete **Milly Tanner** who is a Team GB Cyclist.

All children have received a sponsorship form, as the athlete will be leading the children through a sponsored fitness circuit on the day, followed by and inspirational assembly.

The money that is raised is going to be split between St. Bernadette's and Activ Kids.

Please can all sponsorship money be handed into school in a named envelope along with the sponsorship form by 31st January.



If you want to know more please watch the video below.

[Milly Tanner - Welcome Video](#)



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WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 7th March 2024

Children can come into school in **fancy dress** or come **dressed as a 'word'** e.g. sporty or sleepy.

You're invited!

Parents are invited to come into school to read with their children at the following times:

Wednesday 6th March - EYFS & KS1 - 9:10 - 9:40

Thursday 7th March - KS2 - 9:10 - 9:40

Tea and biscuits will be available
for a small charge.





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FS1 - Welcome to our new starters

We would like to welcome our new children and families to St. Bernadette's.

**We are very excited to have you all!
The children have settled into school life well and they have made lots of new friends in FS1!**

Well Done!





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Year 1 & 2 Boccia Festival

On Friday 19th January 6 pupils were selected to go and represent St. Bernadette's at a Boccia Festival. The children had a brilliant time and were super sport representatives placing 3rd overall. Well done to those involved. We are proud of you!





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Benedetti Foundation Music Workshop

Classes 4, 5 and 6 enjoyed a music workshop with the Benedetti foundation. They clapped rhythms, learnt new songs and joined in with the actions.



What Children & Young People Need to Know about **FREE SPEECH VS HATE SPEECH**

Everyone in the UK has the right of "freedom of expression". That's the right to voice your opinions and share information and ideas with others. It's not the right to say whatever you want without regard for others' feelings and values. We all have a responsibility to use this right properly: being respectful and inclusive to those around us, rather than making offensive and threatening remarks. That's called 'hate speech' and knowing the difference is incredibly important.

Free speech is a person's legal right to share information, opinions and ideas without fear of retaliation, censorship or legal consequences. This freedom of expression is recognised in international human rights legislation, and here's what it does for us in our day-to-day lives ...

The Human Rights Act 1988 states that everyone has the right to express themselves freely – even if their views are unpopular and might offend others.

Freedom of expression encourages listening to others and allowing opposing views to be heard. It's important to respect someone's opinion, even if we disagree with it. Free speech lets us engage in meaningful discussions with people who feel differently.

Any concept could potentially offend someone. Galileo's theories were incredibly offensive to many at the time, while not everyone agrees with Darwin, even today. A frequent exchange of ideas is vitally important for a healthy society.

Free speech allows us to engage people we disagree with in a debate. The ability to challenge others' views is healthy – while having ours challenged helps us learn how to deal with criticism and think deeply about what we say and believe.

Freedom of expression includes the right not to do something, like not standing up for – or singing – the national anthem. Even though some people would find that offensive, it isn't illegal. By law, nobody can force you to say anything you don't want to.

Free speech is a powerful tool for change, justice and reform. Many modern UK rights – such as women being allowed to vote, decent working conditions or same-sex marriage – couldn't have been achieved without it.

Hate speech refers to any communication – like talking, texting or posting online – that negatively targets a group or an individual because they are perceived to be different in some way. Demonising and dehumanising statements, threats, identity-based insults, offensive name-calling and slurs would all count as hate speech. Here are some common forms it takes...

Targeting people or groups because of a protected characteristic – like race, gender identity, sexuality, nationality, religion or a disability – and verbally abusing them with slurs and name-calling. The Equality Act 2010 has more information on this.

Content that dehumanises people based on the same characteristics: referring to them as if they were animals, objects or other non-human entities, for example. Separating the target from other human beings is usually an attempt to justify the speaker's bigotry.

Calling for violence or hatred against certain people or groups and justifying and glorifying those actions. Suggesting that a certain group should be removed from society could be seen as a call to arms, for example – potentially putting people from that group in danger.

Claiming that specific types of people are physically, mentally or morally inferior (or even that they are criminals) to encourage others to view them in the same way. This kind of thinking is always incorrect – but can be incredibly harmful to the group in question.

Spreading damaging misinformation about a person or group that the speaker views as "different" – essentially, trying to turn others against them by lying. Someone might claim that a recent tragedy is the fault of this entire group, when this is simply not possible.

Promoting the segregation of certain groups, or discrimination against them, because of who they are. This has been illegal in the UK for a long time – but some people still try to promote the exclusion of others, which can cause a huge amount of distress.

Meet Our Expert

The Global Equality Collective is an online community for homes, schools and businesses, a collective of hundreds of subject matter experts in diversity, equality and inclusion, and the organisation behind the GEC app, the world's first app for diversity, equality and inclusion.

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