

Friday, 10th March, 2017



# St Bernadette's Roman Catholic Primary School

*Live the Gospel and when necessary use words*



## Bernadette's Blog

### Dance Festival

On Wednesday evening, Miss Smith and Miss Kincaid went with our Year 4 dance group to "The Parks" Sports Centre, to take part in the annual North Tyneside Dance Festival.

It was a fabulous occasion with First, Primary and Secondary schools across the borough being represented.

The theme of this year's event was "Curriculum".

With our dance choreographer, Michael Heatley's help the children created a beautiful dance about The Rainforest.

They danced to a fantastic version of the old classic "What a wonderful world". All the children performed brilliantly and made their teachers and families very proud indeed. Huge thanks must go to the parents and carers who went out of their way to attend this event. Your constant support is very much appreciated.



# Look Who Came To Dine With Us!



Dot and her team did an amazing job on Thursday. More than sixty parents, carers and grandparents came to share a roast beef dinner with their children.

Everyone who came was very complimentary to the chef!

A huge "Thank you" to all the team who helped make the day such a success.

Dot was also on duty Monday afternoon, when parents coming to their Parents' Evening appointment were treated to some samples of typical school meal fayre.

She is a superstar!

# Breakfast Club Fun

The children who attend Breakfast Club were delighted to receive a variety of exciting new games to play with, this week. Our Breakfast Club continues to grow from strength to strength and looking at these photographs, that is not surprising!



*New game fun at breakfast club!!*



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## Fair Trade Fortnight

On Monday morning, Miss Dempsey did a special assembly all about Fair Trade.

This was part of our work on Justice.

The children really enjoyed a cup of fair trade hot chocolate and a fair trade kitkat afterwards, all prepared by our wonderful support staff.

Thank you to everyone who donated their 50p tuck shop money to this worthy cause.

£88.10 was raised.



## 7000 Books Before Summer Challenge...

Up to last Friday afternoon, the children in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 had read a total of

**4539**

Books, in our Reading Challenge.

Our Wonderful Readers enjoyed lunch with Mrs Fallon on Monday.



## World Book Day Sale

Thank you to everyone who donated books or brought their 20ps for last Friday's book sale. We had a really great response and made £90 towards our new library.

## Can you help our Reception Class?



*Do you have anything like this at home that you no longer use?!*  
*Mrs McGuigan would love them for her classroom! Please send them into school.*



*Mrs McGuigan is looking for any baskets like these is similar.*  
*Do you have any at home that you no longer use? Please send them into school.*

## Attendance League

# Attendance Matters

Class	% Attendance
Nursery AM	93.6
Nursery PM	90.3
Reception Mrs McGuigan	95.6
Reception Miss Rogers	96.6
Year 1 – Miss Willits	96.6
Year 1/ 2 - Miss Kincaid	96.9
Year 2 – Mrs Walker	97.2
Year 3 – Miss Hall	96.9
Year 3 /4 - Mr Milner	96.9
Year 4 – Miss Smith	97.3
Year 5 – Miss Dempsey/Mrs Beresford	97.5
Year 5/6 – Mr Keys	96.4
Year 6 – Mrs Hall	96.7
Totals	96.5

Year 5 are taking the lead in the attendance league table, closely followed by Year 4 and Year 2. The class is top of the table by the end of the term will be in for a little treat.

You will have received a letter this week if your child's attendance has dropped below 90%, this is part of our Attendance Policy, and keeping parents informed of their child's attendance. We hope that all children can gain 97% attendance, of course this is not always possible if your child has been ill. Please let us know if you are worried about your child's attendance, and would like our support.

Almost at our target of £1,000 -



Donations  
**£989.38**  
raised so far



Supporters  
**46**  
members in total

We get big donations if you book a holiday or hotel on line via easy fundraising. But did you know that large donations can be made if you compare and buy your home/car insurance or energy online via easyfundraising.

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## Nursery - September admissions 2017

We will be sending out letters next week to those of you who have applied for a nursery place from September 2017. If you haven't put a form in yet, or know anyone who would like to come to our nursery, you can apply by completing a form from the office and returning to us as soon as possible. We will be allocating places very soon.



## Training Day: Friday, March 24th 2017

Parents and Carers are reminded that school will be closed on this day due to staff training. Thank you.

## E. Safety Update

The NSPCC and O2 are working together to help keep children safe online. You can call into an O2 store and they will set up parental controls on your devices

[.https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-we-do/about-us/partners/nspcc-o2-online-safety-partnership/](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-we-do/about-us/partners/nspcc-o2-online-safety-partnership/)

The NSPCC number is 0808 8005000 and is for anyone with a concern about a child, you can remain anonymous.

Happy  
Birthday  
Girls!



# Sports/Achievements Page



Phoebe had a very exciting weekend. She has been enrolled as a Junior Soldier in The Salvation Army. This means she is now officially a member of the church and can wear the uniform. What a proud moment Congratulations!



Millie came second in her Irish Dancing competition at the weekend. Even more exciting was that she was awarded the adjudicators' award for having the "Most Potential".



We love to hear all about your achievements! If you want to be on this page, take a photo and please send it to:

[christine.mcconville@ntlp.org.uk](mailto:christine.mcconville@ntlp.org.uk)



Georgina was delighted to receive two more medals and this impressive trophy for her dancing. Congratulations, Georgina!



Here is Jasmine. She has passed her Stage 5 in swimming and is already working towards her Stage 6 Award. Well done, Jasmine! Keep up the good work.



Katie continues to rise through the rankings in Karate. She has just passed her latest grading and was awarded her green belt.

Brilliant!



Rosa is a regular on our achievements page. Here she is with her latest awards for her Ballet exams. We are delighted for your Rosa. Well done!



# More Sports/Achievements



Hollie had her grade 6 gymnastics exam this week and passed with distinction. Her team finished in 2nd place and she was 8th overall.

Everyone is super proud of you, Hollie!



Here is Sophie with her award from the Royal Academy of Dance in pre-primary ballet. What a beautiful certificate. Congratulations, Sophie!

Charlie played his first game of Rugby for Wallsend RUFC youth section. He enjoyed every minute of it and is already looking forward to playing again. We're all very proud of him.



Just look at Oliver's delight when he was named "Man of the Match" for his football team... again!!! Well done, Oliver! Keep it up!



## Journey with Jesus

Please send in any photos you would like to share to [christine.mcconville@ntlp.org.uk](mailto:christine.mcconville@ntlp.org.uk)



George enjoyed talking about the Easter story and shared a candle lit prayer of thanks with his family at bedtime. One of the things George said he is thankful for is growing strong because he has enough food to eat, and he wants to visit a food bank soon with a box of food for people who are in need.

# What's on at the weekend?



## Freedom Parade, Wallsend Town Centre, Saturday 11th March 2017

The 103 Tyne Electrical Engineers Field Squadron Volunteers will exercise their right as Freemen of the Borough of North Tyneside to march through the town with bayonets fixed. The parade will include armoured vehicles and attended by the Lord Lieutenant of Tyne and Wear and Chairman of North Tyneside Council.

Please  
come along  
to celebrate our  
Reservist Armed  
Forces.

11.30 am Inspection of troops, Coronation Street car park, High Street East

12.00 noon Parade to march off towards High Street West for salute and conclusion at West Street



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# Just Kidz

## Riddles

What has a thumb and four fingers but is not alive?

*The answer to last week's riddle:*

*What has a neck but no head?*

**A bottle.**



Well done to Niamh and Daniel for guessing the correct answer to last weeks guess who.

If you did not know the answer it was: Owen.

## Guess Who?

Age: 8

Year: 4

Hobby (s): Dancing

Eye colour: Blue

Hair colour: Light brown

Gender: Girl



Mass: Sunday 11.15 am  
Fr John McElhone— 0191 2623820

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# Star of the Week

## Dates for your Diary

- 14th March                      World Maths Week begins  
   1pm Heights and Weights in Rec & Y6  
   6pm PTA meeting
- 15th March                      Y2 Trip to Rising Sun Country Park
- 17th March                      Y1/2 Trip to Rising Sun Country Park

For more dates check out our website at

[www.st-bernadettesprimary.co.uk](http://www.st-bernadettesprimary.co.uk)

This week, Mrs Wigham paid £670 from sales of Holy Toast to the St Thomas More just giving site for HCPT Group 36, to go towards this year's Easter Pilgrimage.

If you would like to know more about it or make your own donation please visit

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/HCPTBlacktieball>



Holy Toast Winner

Our value for this half term



“Justice is truth in action.”

*Benjamin Disraeli*

Nursery am	Charlie P
Nursery pm	Amy
Reception (DM)	Leah
Reception (AR)	Freya
Year 1	Ryan
Year 1/2	Hollie P
Year 2	Hugo
Year 3	Aaron A
Year 3/4	Mia Mae
Year 4	Scarlett T
Year 5	Rachel
Year 5/6	Libby D
Year 6	Daniel E

Attendance of the week

Congratulations  
Year 1 and Year 2  
100%

# Our Mission Value