



# St Bernadette's Roman Catholic Primary School

*Live the Gospel and when necessary use words*



## Bernadette's Blog

### Year Two SATs

Congratulations, Year Two!

Mrs MacDonald and Miss Kincaid are so pleased at the effort each and every one of the children made during their tests over the past two weeks. As a reward, this afternoon the children will all be participating in Spring Craft Activities.



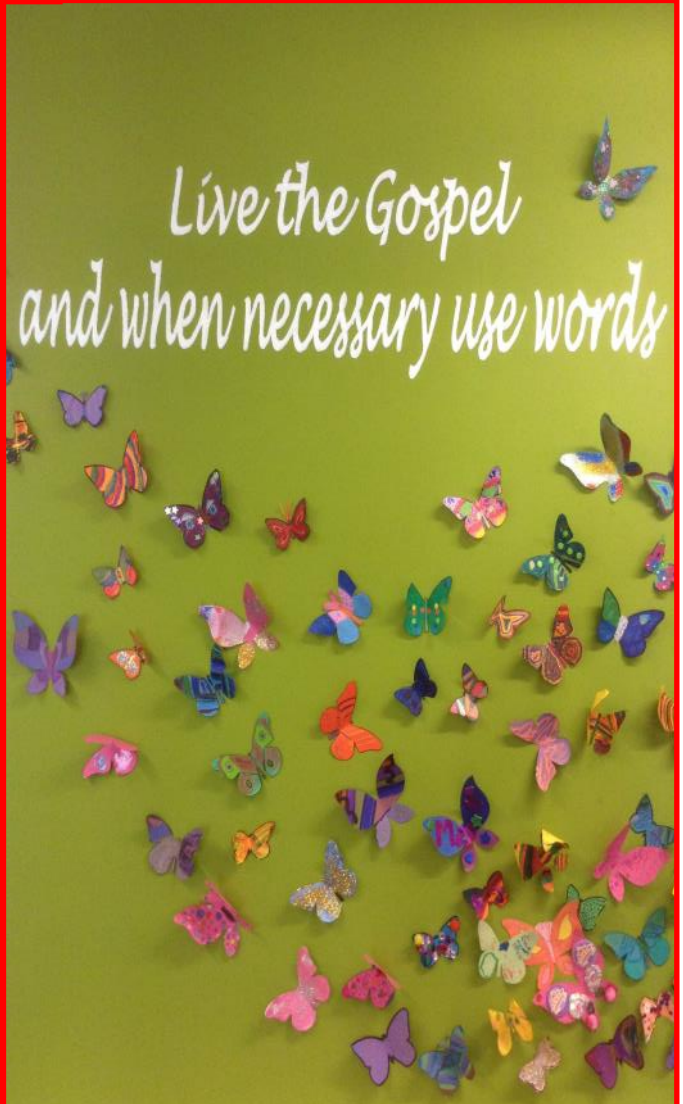
### Our Vision Display

We are proud to present the completed display of our Vision Statement in the entrance of our school.

Many of you, children, staff, parents and grandparents may remember creating butterflies some weeks ago, during our Parents' Evenings and at home.

Mr Milner has now put these together to create this beautiful display. Don't worry if you can't see yours-it might be one of the many that are 'flying' around the school-taking our Vision to each and every classroom and work area.

You are a very talented bunch!  
Just like Mr Milner.





# Travelling Book Fayre and Secret Readers

What a busy week we have had with our book fayre. A huge "Thank you!" to everyone who supported our book fayre. The 3 for 2 offer proved very attractive. Lots of children have some great books to read over the holidays. "Thank you!" also to all those who came in as "Secret Readers" with their favourite book. We had lots of role models for our boys including Mr Thomas, Phil, Mr Keys' grandad and Miss Rogers' dad, amongst others. Mrs Walker will do the sums and let you know soon how many books your support has helped to buy for school.



The Whisper



As part of our book week Reception enjoyed having some secret readers! Miss Rogers Mum and Dad came in to share stories with us. We loved it!



Sir Charlie Stinky Socks and the Really Big Adventure



Jessica's dad read an extract from Terry Pratchett. Year 4 were mesmerised!



Sebastian and India's mum had two secrets to keep! Both Y5 and Y3/4 really enjoyed her story telling.



Mr Keys' grandad read George's Marvellous Medicine to Y5/6. He has obviously been taking some himself...one of the children mistook him for Mr Keys' brother!



Congratulations to all the children who won a free book for solving Mrs Walker's Book Puzzle.

## Lower Key Stage Two Family Liturgy

On Wednesday morning the children in Years 3 and 4 came together with members of their family to celebrate their Liturgy. Through song, prayer, readings and drama the story of Zacchaeus was reflected on. The children considered what the story taught us about how we should behave to carry out our school Vision Statement.



## Mercy Liturgy

This morning the whole school came together to reflect upon and celebrate the work done through our Values Curriculum theme of "Mercy". Each class has really taken this theme very much to heart. As always our whole school community joined forces to put our Faith into action to help the People's Kitchen Charity in Newcastle. Here is the letter which received from them this week. You can see for yourselves the difference your efforts have made.



The Roman Catholic Church's Year of Mercy will of course continue until November.

After the half term holidays we shall be turning our focus towards the another important Gospel Value: Respect.

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Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 6SQ  
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e: info@peopleskitchen.co.uk  
www.peopleskitchen.co.uk



Supporting homeless people  
in Newcastle since 1955

**“ We don't see through  
each other, we see  
each other through ”**

Dear Children

I am writing to thank parents and children at St Bernadette's School for sending all the food that you recently collected to The People's Kitchen. We are delighted at how generously the children in your school support us.

All the food that you give us is used to prepare meals for poor and homeless people who might otherwise go hungry. Because of your generosity, they will be able to look forward to regular hot meals.

When you go home, please will you thank your family and, indeed, anyone who has given you support. You should be proud that you have been able to help so many needy people.

Yours sincerely

*Marilyn Chambers*



# Council News



North Tyneside Council

## A MESSAGE FROM NORTH TYNESIDE COUNCIL

During the decision making process, in August 2015, in relation to the setting of Term and Holiday dates for the academic year 16/17, Cabinet requested that for future years, a consultation be held with Schools, parents and the wider public, to explore factors that might influence the structure of future Term and Holiday dates. We are now

considering the structure of the term and holiday dates for the academic year 2017/2018.

A questionnaire for Parents, Governors, Residents and any other interested parties has been formulated and will be posted on the Council's Website, Face book and Twitter accounts on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May. The questionnaires will be accessible until Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June. Following the closing date, the data will be assessed and considered within the term and holiday setting process for 2017/2018. The outcome and preferred option will be considered by Cabinet on 15<sup>th</sup> August.

[This is exciting news and gives parents a chance to have their say on school holidays/term times, please spare a few minutes to logon to North Tyneside Council's website to complete this form.](#)

## Early Years Breakfast Club

Thank you to everyone who filled in our breakfast club questionnaire. We have had an overwhelming number of responses and some very helpful comments and suggestions - thank you! The next step is for governors and staff to consider all responses and consider how we can implement the club in the most beneficial way to St. Bernadette's children and families.





## Multi-Skills in Year 1

Our Year 1 travelled down to Burnside High School last Friday to take part in Multi Skills Activities.

It was a busy, busy afternoon with balloons, balls, bats and bean bags galore.

The children had a great time!

## Year 5/6 visit Mantra

Fifteen of our Y5/6 children entered a poster competition for the Thai Restaurant, Mantra. On Thursday, they visited the restaurant where they met the owner, who told the story of the restaurant. They had a lesson about herbs and spices, followed by a cooking masterclass! They were then given the chance to make and eat their own spring rolls. After all that they each chose one of the dishes off the menu to have for their lunch!

Everyone had a brilliant time.







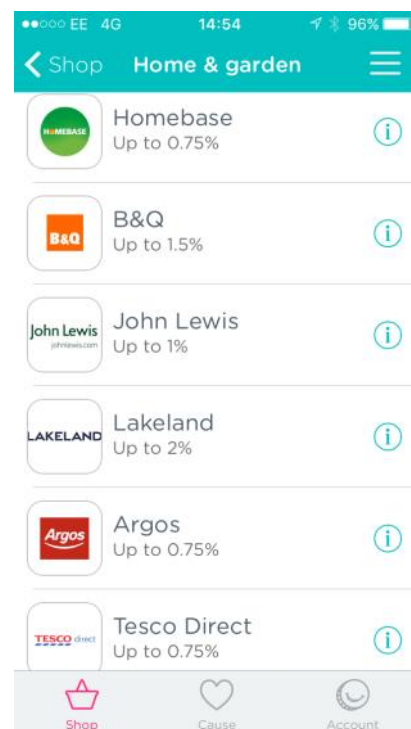
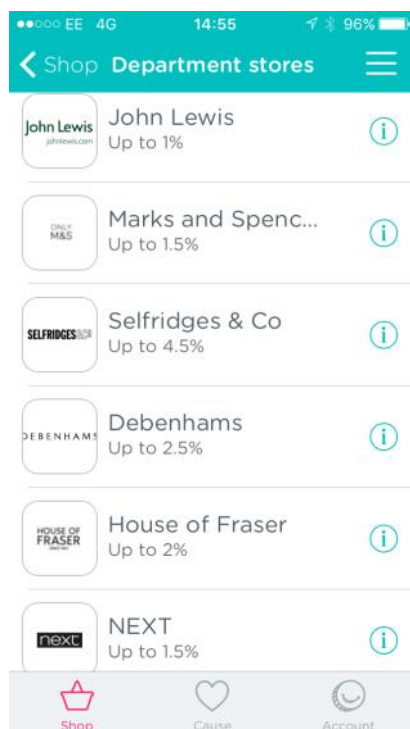
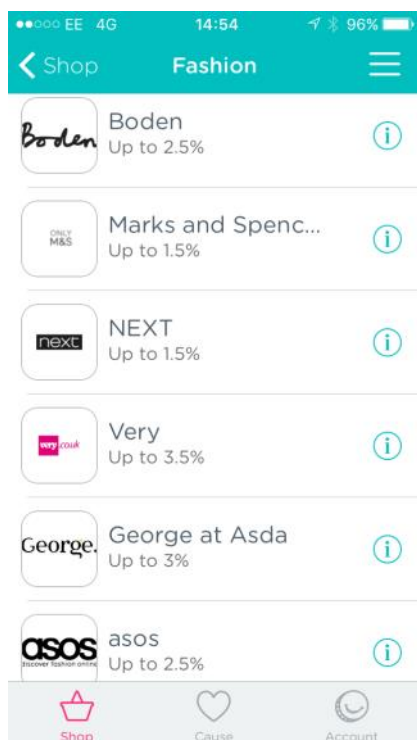
Donations  
**£163.76**  
raised so far



Supporters  
**20**  
members in total

Thank you for all your support so far, our total is rising !  
Mrs McGuigan recently bought some garden furniture on-line through groupon and was amazed to see that it raised £15 for school !

There is a really easy to use app you can download, alternatively you can visit the website <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/> our cause is "St Bernadette's R.C. Primary School Wallsend. All the popular retailers are on there, see below for a small selection. As well as these all the holiday companies are on there—these give huge donations.



### Snack Shack Tuck Shop

After studying our diary for the week after half term we have decided to delay our Snack Shack launch until the week after, since we have Sports Days and High School Visits.

Our launch date will now be 14th June, our Tuck Shop managers have all been working hard and are really excited to get it started.

Look out for a letter from them real soon !



We are now on twitter .....  
**@StBernadettesNT**



**St. Bernadette's**  
@StBernadettesNT

The official Twitter account for St. Bernadette's RC Primary School, North Tyneside.

### Goodbye and Good luck!

This afternoon, Year 4 and Year 3 a very sad "Goodbye" to Munachi and Ekene Udejaja. The boys are moving to Manchester and hope to start their new school, St. Margaret Ward Primary after the holidays. We shall miss the whole family greatly. We wish them all the luck in the world!



Would you like to join  
**Phil's Rise and Shine**  
from 8 'til 9

Wednesday mornings @ 8am Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

6 sessions starting 8th June, 2016

6 sessions up to the end of the Summer Term

Cost of course £25

Warm-ups, team games, ball skills, obstacle courses.

Fun over a wide range of activities!

Application forms may be collected from the school office.



Coaching conducted by Phil Coates  
Certificates on completion. Player

(FA qualified coach)  
of the Course award.





# Sports Week

The week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> June is sports week at St. Bernadette's.

The children can come in sports kit every day.

There will be aerobics on the KS1 yard at 9am every morning  
parents are more than welcome to stay and join in.

**Tuesday-** KS2 Sports Afternoon 120pm

Please remember KS2 will need a t-shirt/top in the colour of their team.

**Wednesday-** KS1 Sports Afternoon 120pm

KS1 will need to wear a white t-shirt, blue/black shorts and trainers.

**Thursday-** KS2 will be having a Volleyball round robin in the morning.

KS2 will be taking part in orienteering at the Rising Sun in teams.

Children will need to wear their team colours.

**Friday** - Early Years sports day, this will take place in the morning and afternoon, and you will receive all the information you need from your class teachers.



# PTA News

## Summer Fayre is Saturday, July 2nd 2016

The theme of our school Summer Fayre this year will be **"Rio Carnival!"**  
This will be in recognition of the 2016 Rio Olympic Games to be held in August.



To help make our Fayre the  
that it always is, the PTA have  
ber of ways please:

fabulous successful event  
asked for your help in a num-

- Are you able to donate a raffle prize?
- Do you work for or know of a company or individual who would donate a prize to our raffle? Please ask them.
- If you have any new toys to donate to our toy tombola-please bring them into school.
- If you are able to take a stall on the day-please let the PTA or school office know.

## Our Lady and St. Aidan and St. Bernadette's Parish Communities Picnic



Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June



Bring your own Picnic—  
shared dessert table



Adults & Childrens Fancy  
Dress Competition

Sports Day Games

1950's Theme

Bouncy Castles

Music through the decades



Tickets 50p to include a Pimms

Visit [www.wallsend-aidettes.co.uk](http://www.wallsend-aidettes.co.uk) for more details and look at "current newsletter"

## Lost Property

This afternoon will be your last chance to claim anything from the enormous pile of lost property we have accumulated this half term. Mr Thomas will be taking it to the charity shop next week. So, please call in and have a look if you are missing anything.

Our lost property box is kept by the entrance doors at the bottom of the main corridor. Staff on the doors will be happy to help you.



## High Borrans Reminder

If your child is going to High Borrans in September, there are just five payment dates left before the full balance needs to be paid. Thank you!

# Sports/Achievements Page

## James and The Beanstalk!

For Mothers' Day our Y1/2 class took home a magic "love" bean to grow for their mams. James has taken care and had great success with his bean. It is massive!



Here is Hugo pictured with the medal he received at the Wallsend Boys' Club pinpoint presentation.

Hugo and his friends on the Green Team had a great season.



Isla and Freya brought their Gymnastic Badge 5 certificates and badges into school to share with their classmates at news time. Well done, girls! Onto badge four next!



Finley and Jake were awarded their Half Marathon bands this week, as they completed their eleventh 2km Junior Park Run in Whitley Bay.

Fantastic effort lads! Keep it up!

Finley carried Fuzzy, our Year 1 bear all the way around the course with him. Fuzzy told me he was glad to be carried as he has very short legs and tires easily.



Libby was delighted to be awarded another medal and certificate for Karate this week! Her collection keeps on growing! Congratulations Libby!



Mr Keys is thrilled with his football team this year. This week, they won yet another trophy: The Wallsend League, which they will share with Hadrian Park Primary. Congratulations lads and Mr Keys! Fab teamwork!

Do you have any special achievements you would like to share with us ?

We love to hear what you've been up to!

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Happy Birthday



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# Just Kidz

Our school football team, as you know, have had a very successful season so we interviewed Jaymie and Josh from Year 6 about winning the Wallsend League football tournament. They said

“On Tuesday night we dominated the school tournament. The lads did extremely well by getting stuck in, working hard and giving 110%”.



Unfortunately, nobody guessed our guess who, for those who didn't work it out it was our year 3 child Holly.



Guess this catchphrase and tell Suzie to be featured on next week's blog.

As you know we are off next week for our well earned half term break. We hope you all have a lovely holiday. Just Kids!

**Aid**  
**Aid**  
**Aid**





Mass: Sunday 11.15 am  
Fr John McElhone— 0191 2623820

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# Star of the Week

Nursery am	Ollie C
Nursery pm	Isabel P
Reception (DM)	Jessica C
Reception (AR)	Izzy
Year 1	Robbie
Year 1/2	All of Y2s for their hard work!
Year 2	All Year 2 for excellent work in SATS
Year 3	Oliver
Year 3/4	Ekene
Year 4	Munachi
Year 5	Owen
Year 5/6	Daniel E
Year 6	Matthew

## Dates for your Diary

30th May- 3rd June Half Term Holiday

6th-10th June German children visiting

6th-10th June Sports Week-see earlier notice for info

6th June Y1/2 Trip to House of Objects

6th June Nursery Open Day (Nursery open as usual)

9th June Y2 Trip to House of Objects

9th June Y6 visit to St. Thomas More

10th June Y1 Trip to House of Objects

For more dates check out our website at

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

## Holy Toast

will continue to happen on Friday mornings after the holidays.



## Sports Week

Don't forget! Children can come to school in their sports gear all week\*:

**Monday 6th June-Friday 10th June.**

\* Except Y6 on Thursday, 9th for their visit to St. Thomas More.

### Attendance of the week

Year 1/2 100%

Year 3/4 100%

Year 5/6 100%

# Our Mission Value

**Year 5/6 Class Door of Mercy**  
"Act justly, love mercy and walk humbly."

