

Friday, 12th February, 2021

St Bernadette's Roman Catholic Primary School

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Bernadette's Blog

Chinese New Year

Today, on our blog, we are celebrating Chinese New Year.

It is the most important of the Chinese holidays, and is a time of feasting with the family, celebration, fireworks and gift-giving. It is a 15-day holiday, beginning on the first day of a new moon and ending with the full moon on the day of the Lantern Festival.

The Chinese calendar is based on the lunar year, so the date of Chinese New Year changes every year. The Chinese calendar follows a 12-year pattern with each year named after an animal. The simplest story is that Buddha (or the Jade Emperor) invited all of the animals to join him for a New Year

celebration, but only 12 animals turned up. To reward the animals that did come, Buddha named a year after each of them in the order that they arrived, starting with the Rat, followed by the Ox, Tiger, Rabbit, Dragon, Snake, Horse, Goat (or Sheep), Monkey, Rooster, Dog and Pig.

2021 is the Year of The Ox. Here's our Dragon Dance Celebration.



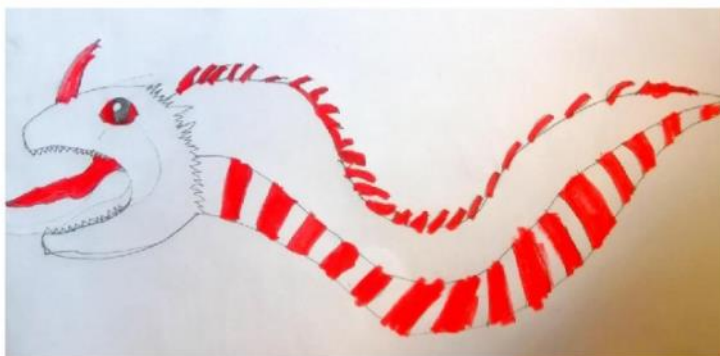
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It's Snow Time!



Vacancies

We have spaces in Year 2 and Reception, please
email office@st-bernadettesprimary.co.uk
You may apply now for places in Reception Sept. 2021



Acts of Kindness, Achievements & Home Learning



Kacper is working really hard towards his Grade 1 Piano. He only started his lessons last year and has been off most of the time but that doesn't stop him. Keep up the good work, Kacper!



Oscar and George have loved finding hidden geocaches using the Geocache app! Well done, lads!



Maggie, Joe, Freya, Cameron, Gracie and Alfie would all like to thank Joshua and Imogen for very kind act over the weekend! They delivered home-made pizzas and cookies! How lucky to have such lovely friends and neighbours!



Jamie (Y5) loves to bake his Mum's favourite - Cheese Scones. He also made some Banana Bread to surprise her when she came home from work.



Happy Birthday!



We would love to see all your Home Learning activities, birthday photos, achievements, good news, Holy Toast, 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 by 10am Thursdays

Next Time!

Next week we shall be on our half term holiday.

Details for contributions to our next blog will be with you on Monday, 22nd February.

It's going to be a special issue dedicated to all our Brownies, Rainbows, Beavers, Guides and Cubs!



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

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!



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

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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