



# St Bernadette's Roman Catholic Primary School

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## Bernadette's Blog



### PTA Christmas Fayre Tomorrow

Alison and her fab team of volunteers are busy putting the finishing touches to the preparations for tomorrow's **Christmas Fayre at 1pm.**

Come along and see Santa in his Grotto, do a bit of Christmas shopping at our beautiful craft stalls, win a prize on our bottle and chocolate tombola and have a go at "Pluck the Turkey"

This afternoon our Teams will be busy preparing their Christmas Snow Globes ready to be sold at tomorrow's PTA Christmas Fayre.





# Our Poetry Recital

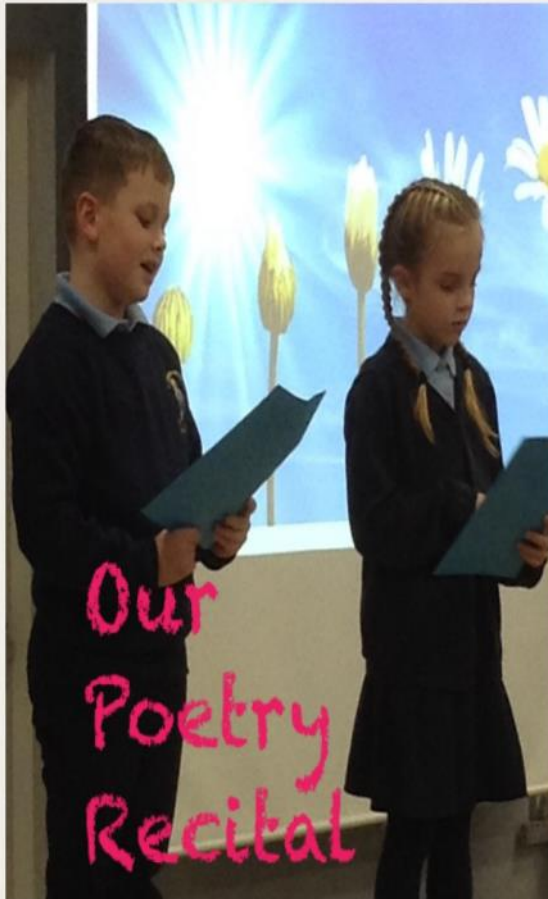
On Thursday afternoon, we were delighted to present a Poetry Recital for some of our parents and parishioners. Children from across both Key Stages and Early Years performed some of their own pieces of work which came out of our visit last half term from Craig Bradley- "That Poetry Bloke".

The subject matter of the poems was very varied, as was the mood created by each.

Congratulations to everyone for a great performance.

Special thanks must go to

Hannah and Matthew, who compared the event brilliantly and to Miss Rogers, our Literacy co-ordinator who arranged the event.





# UKS2 Tyneside Cinema Trips

This week the children in UKS2 have been busy studying old World War I news reels as part of their learning about the question- "Are we shaped by the past?" They had a fabulous experience and created their own newsreels. We can't wait to see the results!



Don't forget that some of the children's work about WW I is on display in the school foyer, with our Remembrance Day display.



Year 5/6 had an amazing day filming old-fashioned news reels about WW1 at Tyneside Cinema Pop-Up Film School. They experienced the whole process: reading scripts, choosing costumes, filming and editing. They were amazing!





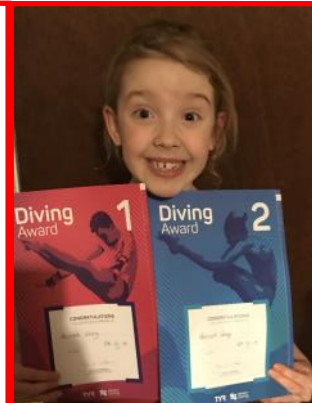


## Sports and Achievements

Ruby was delighted to be named "Star of the Week" at her dance class. She received this beautiful trophy. Well done, Ruby!



Hannah has just achieved her first two awards in diving. A very proud moment! Well done, Hannah!



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](mailto:stbernadettes.primary@northtyneside.gov.uk)



# Open The Book!

This morning, our "Open the book" visited our school and did a fabulous Scripture based assembly for KS1 and LKS2.

Rev. Emma, Hazel, May and Anne are going to become familiar faces to us, as we are delighted that they are going to visit us regularly.



## Forest School Fun!



Making  apple   
crumble.   

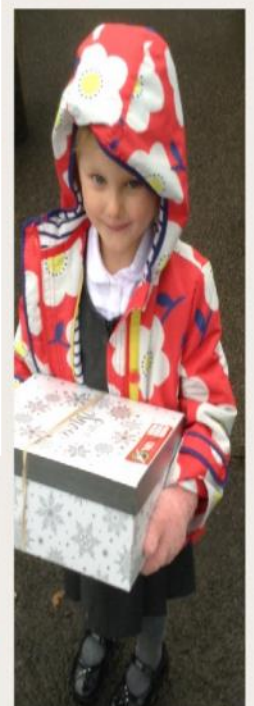





## Mrs McGuigan writes...

Thank you all so much for the Operation Christmas Child boxes that you have sent in. I know this time of year is a struggle for us all and to hand over 80 boxes today was amazing!

Our boxes are travelling to the Ukraine this year and I am sure they will bring a child so much joy when they receive their box! I have been doing Operation Christmas child here at St Bernadettes for 19 years & I'm always overwhelmed by the generosity of our parents and children. It is on my bucket list to one day travel with the boxes and give them to children less fortunate than ours! Once again a huge heartfelt thank you from me and all those at Operation Christmas Child. You gift will me a child very happy. Much love to you and your family this Christmas.



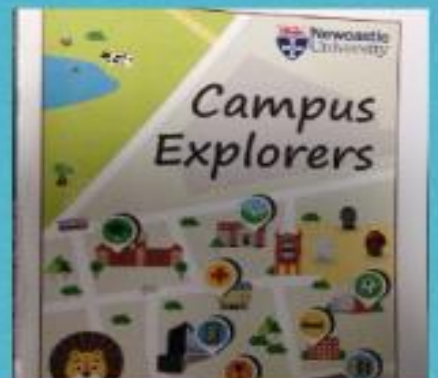
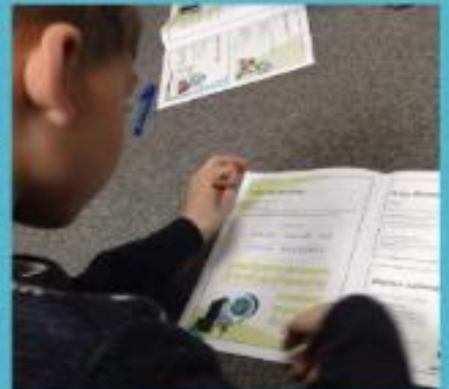
Special Delivery for Operation Christmas Child





# Newcastle University Visit Year 5

Today, all of Year 5 had a visit from 2 student ambassadors from Newcastle University. They took part in a Campus Explorers workshop where they had a virtual tour of the campus and found out more about life at university and the opportunities it provides.





# Lots of Fun for Pudsey!

Last Friday afternoon, there were squeals and shouts of laughter from the school hall, as Mrs Fallon held the first ever "Are you cleverer than a...year old?" quiz.

Staff nominated each other for the cream pie treatment with a donation to Pudsey.

Strangely, there was no shortage of volunteers from amongst the pupils to carry out the task! We are so lucky to have a staff who are up for a challenge here at school.

Dot and the team made Pudsey biscuits for the children.



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**TOMORROW**  
**is our PTA Christmas Fair 1pm**  
**Come along and join the fun!**  
**Visit Santa!**  
**Christmas Gift Shopping!**  
**Chocolate and Bottle Tombolas**  
**Have a snowball fight!**  
**Pluck the Turkey!**

## **Hats, Gloves and Scarves**

Now the weather is becoming more wintry, please ensure that your child is provided with warm clothing for playtimes and lunchtimes.



## **Mini-Vinnies in Action**

The Mini-Vinnies are collecting old, unwanted spectacles for Marie Curie. These will be sent overseas to help people that cannot afford eye care. Please send any spare pairs into school.

The children will be collecting at the Christmas Fayre too.  
It's a great cause - please support it!





# Messages from the School Office

## Breakfast Club

Parents and Carers **MUST BOOK A PLACE ONLINE FOR BREAKFAST CLUB.**

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 Christmas. 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!



## Operation Christmas Child

Our shoeboxes for this worthy charity will be collected on November 22nd. So you still have time to put yours together if you wish to.

So far we have had

**43** boxes donated. Thank you to Wallsend Baptist Church for 14!

## Catholic Life Questionnaire

Thank you to all of the parents who have taken the time to complete our Catholic Life Questionnaire that we sent out last week. If anyone else would like to take part we would be really grateful. We will send out a summary of the results and our response in the next couple of weeks.

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Thank you for working with us on this.



## After School Clubs

All payments should be complete if your child is booked on an After School Club.

We have a few spaces left on KS1 Multi Sport on Tuesdays and KS1 Film Club on Thursdays.

Please phone the office to book. 200 7363.



# Saint Bernadette's Christmas Diary 2018

## Team Christmas Craft Day

Friday, 23rd November

(Children may wear their Christmas Jumpers/own clothes if they want!)

## PTA Christmas Fair

Saturday, 24th November at 1pm-4pm

## Nursery Nativity

Tuesday, 4th December at 9am

## Reception Nativity

Friday, 7th December at 9am

## Key Stage One Nativities

Wednesday, 12th December at 2pm

(For Year One Parents and Grandparents only please)

Thursday, 13th December at 9am

(For Year Two Parents and Grandparents only please)

## Christmas Dinner Day

(Children may wear their Christmas Jumpers)

Thursday, 13th December

## Key Stage One Christmas Party

Friday, 14th December

## Key Stage Two Christmas Parties

Friday, 14th December

LKS 2 (Y3s & Y4s) 1.30pm-3pm\*

UKS 2 (Y5s & Y6s) 4.30pm-6pm\*

(\*Both these events will take place in the Parish Centre.  
LKS2 children will be walked to and from the centre by staff)

## Nursery Christmas Party

Tuesday, 18th December

## Key Stage Two Nativity

(This will take place in Church)

Wednesday, 19th December at 6pm

## Reception Christmas Party

Thursday, 20th December

In order to help parents and carers organise arrangements we have provided above a list of planned

Christmas Events. We shall do our very best to keep to the list of dates and promise to let you know asap if unavoidable changes have to happen.



# Don't Forget! Book Fair Next Week! 26th-29th November

**SCHOLASTIC**

## COME TO OUR HALF PRICE BOOK FAIR

**Hundreds of new books from only £1.49 at our Book Fair!**

**WIN AN IPAD, £500 WORTH OF BOOKS AND MORE!**  
Turn over for details

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GET A HEAD-TO-HEAD AT [WWW.BOOKFAIRS.SCHOLASTIC.CO.UK/BOOKS](http://WWW.BOOKFAIRS.SCHOLASTIC.CO.UK/BOOKS)

**Lollies**  
LAUGH OUT LOUD AWARDS  
Nominated by

**Read the shortlist and pick your favourites!**  
Some books may not be available at our Book Fair.  
To order, please speak to the Book Fair Organizer.

Choose your funniest book of the year at [www.scholastic.co.uk/lollies](http://www.scholastic.co.uk/lollies) or download **POPJAM** and search **@lollies** to vote for your favourites!

**PICTURE BOOKS**

**AGES 6-8**

**AGES 9-13**

**COMPETITION TIME!**

**WIN AN IPAD, £500 WORTH OF BOOKS FOR YOUR SCHOOL AND SOME TASTY SMOOTHIES!**

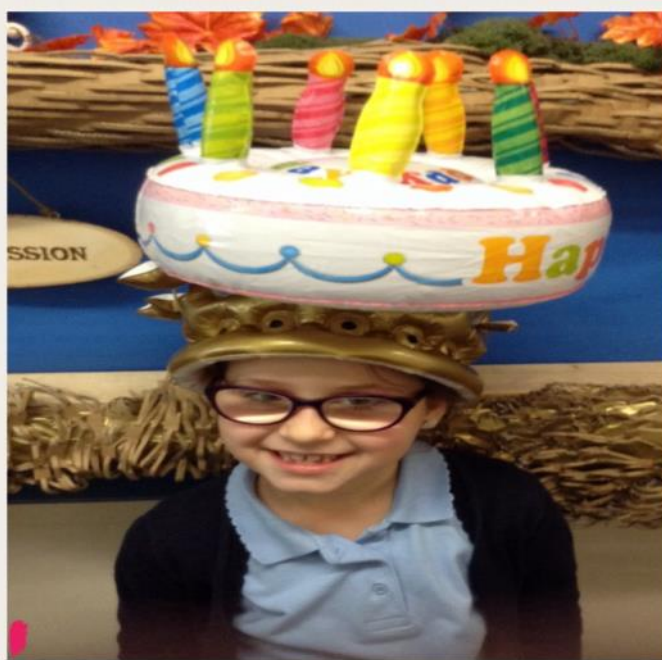
The Happy Monkey is trying to write some new smoothie recipes, but he can't help but monkey around. Rather than fruit, his new recipes include joke books, daydreams and cheese!

Could you come up with a sillier recipe? Draw a picture of your smoothie or write your very own recipe - the funnier, the better! If we think your idea is totally bananas, you'll win your own iPad, £500 worth of books for your school and a selection of happy monkey smoothies for you and your friends!

For entry details and for terms and conditions, visit [www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/happymonkey](http://www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/happymonkey)  
Closing date 30th November 2016

This competition is for imagination only - don't try to make your 'silly smoothie' in real life!  
Prizes may be different to ones shown.  
The end date is approximately 30th November 2016.

**Happy monkey**





Mass: Sunday 11.30am  
Fr John McElhone— 0191 2623820  
[www.wallsend-aidettes.co.uk](http://www.wallsend-aidettes.co.uk)



# Star of the Week

## Dates for your Diary

26th-29th November Half Price Book Fair  
27th November Nursery Theatre Trip  
28th November Y5 (Mrs Hall) Family Liturgy  
30th November Y5, Y5/6 & Y6 RSPB Workshops

For more dates check out our website at  
[www.st-bernadettesprimary.co.uk](http://www.st-bernadettesprimary.co.uk)

Nursery	Calvin Lily
Reception (AW)	Gene
Reception (SK)	Grace
Year 1	Sienna
Year 1/2	Sofia
Year 2	Isabel P
Year 3	Bobby E
Year 3/4	Finley
Year 4	Robbie T
Year 5	Ewan
Year 5/6	Niamh
Year 6	Kodi



## Holy Toast Winners



## Mission Value

Our new value for this term is  
"Belonging"

Attendance of the week

Year 2  
& Year 6  
99%

Congratulations!