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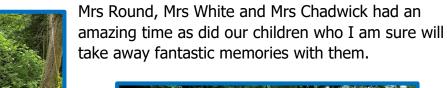
Dear Parents and Carers,

As the end of the summer term approaches it seems to get busier and busier! School has been a hive of activity with lots of learning, singing, rehearsing, lots of physical outdoor activities and trips. We have welcomed our new parish priest Father David and we very much look forward to enjoying a fruitful partnership with him in the coming years.

In the final few weeks, our thoughts will begin to turn to our Year 6 leavers who are readying themselves to finish their journey with us at St Bernadette's and begin their next chapter in pastures new. As well those leaving us, we will be welcoming our new families and siblings who will be joining us in Apple class next September. I would ask that you keep these children and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Trips Borwick Residential - Sycamore

Year Six had a great time on their residential this year. I heard that they'd had the best time, that the food was amazing and that they have made memories for life – this was all from the staff!!







Blackpool Zoo – Apple class

Apple class have had a wonderful trip to Blackpool Zoo, where they have been deepening their knowledge of the world around them. This half term their learning has been based on the book 'Handa's Surprise!' Apple class welcomed Marcel's mum into school to talk to them about what it is like to live in Kenya. They then built their own village and created a travel agency so that they could visit Africa and now, inspired by



their visit to the zoo, are building their own safari park where we can spot the animals. I can't wait to explore it with them.



Message from Father David



Yesterday it was a great joy to welcome all the children from St Bernadette's to the church for our celebration of SS Peter and Paul. They behaved impeccably, read and sang beautifully and are such a credit to their parents and their teachers. I very much hope that working together we will be able to build a fruitful partnership between families, the school and the parish. The parish is 're-booting' after COVID and I would love all members of the St Bernadette's family became involved in this process. You will always be WELCOME!

NEWS in PE





Sports Day

Sports day was fabulous despite

the rain arriving on the field a few minutes after everybody had gathered together. The whole school community had a wonderful time even if we did get a little damp! The children were absolute superstars! It was wonderful to have our families back celebrating



with us and there was a lovely atmosphere all around, which even the rain could not dampen! All of our house teams gave 100% effort and we are super proud of each and every person who took part. The enjoyment you showed was contagious



Well done to St Cecilia House, the yellow team on their victory. Yellow team captains Mryto and Annabelle had this to say..."It feels great as Team Captain to get a victory" Annabelle added "Yellow team you did great! All the other teams tried their best too! It was a victorious day!"

As always, we need to say a huge **'THANK YOU'** to Mrs Wood and Mr Karim for all of their hard work and to our superb Year 6 for all of their help and organising skills.





I liked the running race because I won!

Magnus Year1

PE Uniform

As you know, we have been trialling our 'Ready to go!' PE uniform. We have received lots of positive feedback from parents over the last few weeks and it has made a huge impact to the amount of learning time in PE and the wider curriculum which was previously spent getting changed. The children like coming to school in their PE kits. Magnus told me that 'Wearing my PE kit is good because we get more time in PE. My class takes too long to get changed!' Kathryn added' It is very comfy and it feels good!' Felicity told me 'It's good because you don't forget your PE kit on PE day' and Faiaz told me 'It was much better wearing your PE kit in school because it means it gets washed more regularly and it saves time in lessons so we can learn and do more!'

As part of the trial, I have been asked if the PE polo shirts need to have the badge on, this isn't a new requirement, we have only changed the colour of the PE shirt and as stipulated there is no need to buy the yellow PE shirt until your child needs one. In our school uniform we only have a few compulsory pieces of uniform which are badged: the PE polo shirts; the school jumper; the school PE hoodie and if you choose for your child to wear the blue polo shirt in summer that must also have a badge. All other elements of badged uniform are discretionary and you may choose whether or not your child needs them. Having spoken to some of the children they told me that having the badge;-

- makes them feel safe when they are out on trips or visits
- no one else has got the same yellow as us
- makes us feel unique and smart
- People recognise our school by the badge particularly helpful if we get lost!
- We are proud of our school badge!

We will be keeping our badged polo shirt for PE going forward. I would add to that statement, that if you need support in providing a uniform for your child please come and talk to us and we will always help where we can. I will communicate our decision on the wearing of PE kits on PE days 'Ready to go' in my next and final newsletter of the academic year. In the meantime, we would love to hear any further feedback you have.

Our PE Kit

- PE Polo shirt with school badge
- Navy Shorts
- Royal blue jogging bottoms
- Royal blue school hoodie with school badge.
- Trainers/plimsolls

Please note children are **not** allowed to wear football kits or any other sports or alternative clothing for PE other than the school PE uniform. Our School uniform is very important to us as a school family, it brings us together as a school family, ensures that we are all equal and it is very smart indeed – our PE kit is no exception.

What Day will my child need to wear their PE kit?

Class	PE Days – must wear PE kit to school
Apple	Bring PE kit in bag — learning how to get dressed and undressed is part of your curriculum.
Oak	Monday Thursday
Elm	Tuesday Friday
Beech	Tuesday Wednesday
Eucalyptus	Wednesday Thursday
Willow	Thursday Friday
Sycamore	Monday Tuesday

Uniform



Thank you to all of our families for your support, our children look very smart in their summer uniforms. However as the cost of living rises, uniforms and the prices thereof, are very much in the public eye. With this in mind, Our 'Friends of St Bernadette's' will be holding a second hand uniform sale after school tomorrow. We'd like to say a HUGE thank you Vickie who has undertaken the mammoth task of washing, drying and preparing all of the stock. This is a great

way to save some money and by reusing that which otherwise maybe thrown away, we are also doing our own little bit to save the planet. We will gladly receive all donations of uniform, especially the badged items. Please consider donating old uniform that your child has grown out of or no longer needs.

DT Week

Next week in school is design technology week. We need your help! The children will be making models of a variety of structures over the course of the week and we need as much 'junk' modelling materials as we can get. We need materials such as: cereal boxes, cartons, plastic



milk bottles (and their lids), yoghurt pots, kitchen roll tubes, plastic tubs, egg boxes, all types of cardboard boxes and anything else that might be useful for construction.



Summer Disco



On Friday 8th July, the Friends of St Bernadette's will be hosting a school summer disco.

KS1 - 5:15pm - 6:00pm

KS2 - 6:15pm - 7:00pm

The cost is £4.50 per child, which includes entry and a goody bag (drink, snacks, glow sticks and a face painting token). If you would like your child to attend you will need to pay upfront via ParentPay or cash to the school office no later than the morning of Friday 8th.

Dates for your diary

Date	Function
Monday 27 th June - Friday 1 st July	World Faiths week - Judaism
Friday 8th July	Year 3 trip to Leighton Moss
Friday 8 th July	Summer Disco
Wednesday 13 th July	Year 6 Summer Production
Tuesday 19 th July @ 6:30pm	Leaver's Service in Church
Change of date	Whole school Mass – time to be confirmed
Tuesday 19 th July	

God bless, Mrs Shoulder