



St. Bernard's Newsletter

'A unique family in faith, love and learning'

Autumn Term – 5th December 2025

*'Jesus is the heart of our Catholic school and church family.
In Jesus' footsteps, we reach out to others'*



This week at St. Bernard's

As we begin this joyful season, our school has entered the first week of Advent, a special time of waiting, preparation, and hope. On Monday, we gathered together to light the Prophecy Candle, also known as the Candle of Hope. This candle reminds us of the hopeful promises shared long ago and encourages us to look forward with positivity and faith. Throughout this week, we have been talking with the children about how we can spread hope throughout our school family - through kindness, encouragement, and small acts that make a big difference.

A highlight of this week was our beautiful performance of "Our First Nativity," presented by our reception class children. They were absolutely fantastic! From confident singing, to enthusiastic acting, every child shone brightly. We are incredibly proud of them for sharing the story of Christmas with such joy and charm. Thank you to all the staff who supported the children, and to all our families for coming along to support them.

Our Years 5 and 6 children led our first Advent reflection with thoughtfulness and maturity. Their readings, prayers, and reflections helped us to pause, reflect, and think about how we can bring more hope and light to those around us. It was a special moment to end our week.

Alongside the festivities, learning continues to flourish in every classroom. This week year 3 and year 5 have been geographers, exploring and researching cities and capital cities around the world.

Year 6 have been showing their artistic flair by creating artwork inspired by "No Woman, No Cry". Their pieces show thoughtful use of colour and emotion - wonderful creativity on display!

Year 2 stepped into the role of chefs, preparing and enjoying their very own Eton Mess. They practised careful cutting, mixing and, of course, tasting! Across the school, children have been working hard, joining in with lessons, and showing great focus as we move towards the end of term.

As always, we are grateful for your continued support in all we do.

Wishing you all a peaceful and hopeful weekend.



STARS OF THE WEEK

Reception: **The whole class**
Year 1: **Aun and Jude**
Year 2: **Azora and Evelyn**
Year 3: **Tommy and Sofia**
Year 4: **Leonardo and Malachi**
Year 5: **Hugo and Hattie**
Year 6: **Dawson and Charlie**

ATTENDANCE AWARD GOES TO

Reception Class

WELL DONE!

Our Mission for the week

Prepare a way for Jesus to come into our lives.

Can we try to find space in our busy days to spend time with him?

Next week at St. Bernard's

Year 1 & 2 Nativity: Wednesday 10th December at 2pm and Thursday 11th December at 9.20am

Film Night
Years 3,4,5 and 6 on Wednesday 10th December and
Reception class, years 1 and 2 on Thursday 11th December - 3.30pm – 5.15pm

Years 3 & 4 Advent Reflection: Friday 12th December at 9am

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Mission Christmas Cash for Kids.

Please support this appeal to provide a gift for a child who would otherwise wake up without any this Christmas.

There is a large box to leave your gift in at our school reception area. Please just pop into the office and we'll place it in there for you.

Thank you so much



Christmas Hampers

Raffle tickets are still on sale for our Christmas Hampers. They are £1 per strip and can be purchased from the office or before our Nativity and Advent Reflections next week.

Thank you



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