



St. Bernard's Newsletter

Spring Term – 27th March 2026

'A unique family in faith, love and learning'
'Jesus is the heart of our Catholic school and church family.
In Jesus' footsteps, we reach out to others with love and respect.'



This week at St. Bernard's

What a wonderful time we have had in school this week! I am delighted to share with you some of the exciting learning that has been happening across our classrooms.

Our Reception class have been immersed in learning about the Easter story through role play and singing. You may well have heard them singing "Hosanna" when they have come home – their enthusiasm and joy has been wonderful.

Year 1 have also been exploring the Easter story, developing their understanding of significant events including the Last Supper and Palm Sunday.

Meanwhile, Year 2 have been putting their ICT skills to good use, working on coding activities that challenge them to think logically and problem-solve.

In Year 3, the children are thoroughly enjoying their new class book, *Escape to Pompeii*. They have been developing their comprehension skills by carefully finding evidence within the text to support their understanding.

Year 4 have been working on an artist study of Paul Cézanne, which has introduced them to the knowledge and skills needed to recreate artwork using his impressionist style.

Year 5 have been working on something particularly special. They have been collecting natural materials and creating sketches in preparation for a large piece of land art. We are really looking forward to seeing the completed piece and celebrating their creativity and artistic vision. Year 6 have been researching the indigenous people of the Arctic as part of their Frozen Kingdoms topic, developing their knowledge and understanding of different cultures and environments.

Beyond the classroom, we spent a morning focusing on positive behaviours for learning and the importance of high expectations in supporting children's learning. It was wonderful to see the children so engaged and having excellent conversations about why these behaviours matter and how they contribute to their own learning. These discussions reinforced our shared understanding of what we are trying to achieve together.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Reception: **Teddy K and Daisy P**

Year 1: **Alfie and Zidane**

Year 2: **Kimon and Eliza**

Year 3: **Ayesha and Freya**

Year 4: **Mary and Esa**

Year 5: **Max and Penelope**

Year 6: **Freddie and Leo**

ATTENDANCE AWARD GOES TO

YEAR 5 - 99%

WELL DONE!

Next week at St. Bernard's

Please join our GIFT team in the school hall at 8.30am on Monday and Tuesday for a journey around the Stations of The Cross.

On Monday, Reception and year 1 have their class trip to Bolton Museum

On Wednesday 1st April we will be parading the children's Easter Bonnets from reception and key stage one and the Easter Scenes from key stage two, and picking our winners.

Also on Wednesday, Year 4 are having a Pyjama Party for their Class Reward and Year 5 are going on their school trip to RHS Bridgewater – If any Year 5 child has created an Easter Scene, please still bring it in with them.

On Thursday 2nd April, we have our Holy Week Service at 10.30am. Please join us at school, if you can.

Lent Reflection



Lord, give us mercy,
 give us energy to help the vulnerable,
 to help those who are hungry.
 Give us energy to share what we have.
 Give us wisdom to think based on how we help
 those who are vulnerable in our society.
 Give us resources
 so that we continue helping the vulnerable.
 Amen.

OUR SCHOOL VALUES	LOVE	FAMILY	RESPECT	FORGIVENESS	COMPASSION	WELCOME	FAITH
	JUSTICE	INCLUSION	CHARITY	SERVICE	HUMILITY	INTEGRITY	DIGNITY