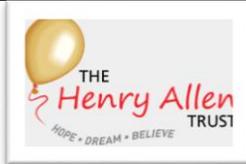


St. Bernadette's Catholic Primary School

Community Matters



Loving, serving and growing together with Jesus



Thank you so much for your kind support for the Henry Allen Trust. In total, with the hard work of pupils and staff and your ongoing generous contributions, we have been able to raise an amazing total of £1062.42 this year!

Some of our children have also drawn pictures, written letters and made joke books which will be delivered to very sick children in hospital as part of the Henry Allen Trust's work.



On 30th September we will be celebrating our wonderful school's 10th anniversary with a special Mass, led by Bishop Peter at 10:30am. Further details will follow in September. We look forward to celebrating with as many of our school family, both old and new, as possible.

Class Collective Worship



This year our KS2 pupils celebrated class collective worships in the chapel with their families. We were overwhelmed by the attendance at these events and therefore next academic year, all classes from FS2 to Y6 will be inviting their families to join them at a collective worship through the school year. Dates can be found overleaf but may be subject to change as the year progresses.

Children's Chaplaincy Team

We wish to congratulate the new members of the Children's Chaplaincy Team who went through a rigorous application and interview process in order to join this important team.

Our new members are: Y3: Esme and Danielle, Y4: Emily and Shanae, Y5: Katie and Hillary, Y6: Joanna and Annie.

Our thanks go to the outgoing team who were instrumental in developing both our charity and prayer life this year.

Open Chapel

Our morning "Open Chapel" was not well attended this term and we are looking at more effective ways to involve parents and families in our prayer life at St Bernadette's. This will be a focus for our new Children's Chaplaincy Team and we would welcome any suggestions to support them in developing this important part of our school mission.

Memorial Service

We would like to thank all of our families who took part in the service in memory and thanksgiving for Riley Ferguson, either by attending the service, or by completing one of the flower templates. In discussion with Mr and Mrs Ferguson, we will be planting a cherry tree in his memory in the Autumn term. Details will follow in the new term.

Prayerzone

The Prayerzone focus over the last month has been on prayerful meditation, highlighting specific Bible passages and reflecting on God's love for us.



The sessions are always very well attended and the Children's Chaplaincy team are becoming more and more involved in leading them.

Congratulations to all of our children who made their First Holy Communion this term. We had a lovely Mass at school on 16th June to celebrate with the children and their families.

Pupils usually make their First Holy Communion during Y3. Preparation takes place within the Parish. Please speak to your local parish priest or catechists to find out when to enrol for preparation. Details for Christ the King church will be available in September.



We encourage you, as a family, to write prayers of thanks or of petition which can be added to our new community prayer board located in the chapel. The prayers will be referred to when classes or groups meet for prayer and reflection throughout the school day. Just send your prayers in to school with your child.

Ubi caritas et amour Deus ibi est

(Where there is charity and love, God is there)

Liturgical Dates for your diary:

w/c/ 07/09/15	Value = Peace
21 st - 25 th Sept	Harvest donations for Foodbank
22/09/15	KS1 Harvest Prayer Service 10:15 am- parents invited
23/09/15	KS2 Harvest Prayer Service 10:40 am - parents invited
23/09/15	2:50 Y6 Comet Class Worship with parents
28/09/15	MK Food Bank will collect our harvest donations
30/09/15	10:30 - 10 th Anniversary Birthday Mass with Bishop Peter
30/09/15	Weekly lunchtime PrayerZone re-commences. KS2 12:45 - 1:15 every Wednesday lunchtime
02/10/15	CAFOD Harvest Fast Day - Make the world a brighter place
05/10/15	New Value: Respect
09/10/15	Dunstable Schools' Mass - Children's Chaplaincy Team will represent our school community
12/10/15	Bridgebuilder Trust assembly 9:00
12 th - 14 th Oct	Y6 Retreat to Alton Castle
14/10/15	2:50 Y5 Falcon Class Worship with parents
01/11/15	All Saints Day (Half Term)
02/11/15	All Souls' Day (INSET day)
09/11/15	New Value: Love
11/11/15	2:50 Y4 Lion Class Worship with parents
26/11/15	10:30 Advent Wreath building Mass Y3-Y6 - Fr Paul
26/11/15	2:00pm Wreath building assembly with Sr Yvonne FS2 - Y2
29/11/15	First Sunday in Advent
02/12/15	2:50 Y3 Panda Class Worship with parents
03/12/15	2:15pm Acorns pm, Saplings L - Christmas Performance
04/12/15	9:30 am Acorns am, Saplings B - Christmas Performance
07/12/15	New Value: Responsibility
07/12/15	Bridgebuilder Trust assembly 9:00
08/12/15	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
09/12/15	2pm Starfish and Dolphin Christmas Performance
10/12/15	2pm Seahorse and Turtle Christmas Performance
16/12/15	6:00 pm Y5/6 Christmas Carols and Readings
17/12/15	9:30 am Y5/6 Christmas Carols and Readings - for wider community and families with babies/toddlers