



St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School

'Doing our best for God'

Date: Tuesday, 20 July 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

As the academic year for 2020/21 comes to an end today, I would like to wish you and your families a very peaceful holiday. The children have worked so hard and are a credit to St Bernadette's school. Yet again, our fabulous parents/carers have risen to the challenge and continued to support their children and staff through the complexities that the Pandemic has brought, in relation to school and home life.

We say a final goodbye to our Year 6 children today. We wish them all well as they move onto their secondary education and we thank them most sincerely for their dedication and commitment to our school. It has indeed been a challenge for them as they have missed out on the many treats, responsibilities and events that go with the end of the school year. However, we were fortunate enough to be able to organise an alternative assembly and class Mass, held in the church, followed by a party afternoon. We are very grateful to Father Peter and the parishioners who supported us; this enabled them to go ahead, whilst adhering to the many protocols in place for our safety; thank you to the families who contributed to the treats. We also say goodbye to some of our families who have had a long association with school. We thank them for their support; you are always welcome at St Bernadette's.

By Friday, all the individual class sports day videos and the Animotos, from the Year 6 assembly yesterday, should be available to view on the school website. Please scroll down the main page and click on the relevant tiles.

Although we send your child's school books home at the end of each school year, we always keep a selection of exercise books to show progression. Any books kept, will be returned to you over the new academic year.

As I have mentioned previously, from September, we hope to go back to some of our pre-Covid routines within school.

- No bubbles
- Original start and finish times of the school day
- On PE days, children will be coming to school in their PE kit
- Parents/Carers back on the school site

We have certainly missed having visitors into school and look forward to welcoming you all back so you can be part of the opportunities we provide for your children and to celebrate in their achievements.



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We have not finalised all the details, as we are still waiting on some DfE guidance and of course the summer is a long time for things to change! The Governors will make their final decisions over the coming weeks and I will then be able to communicate our return plans to you.

I personally would like to thank all the fabulous staff and supportive Governors who have gone beyond for our school. Working in partnership strengthens relationships and makes St Bernadette's the '**family**' that it is.

Thank you for the many words of encouragement, thoughtful cards, emails, cakes and gifts that have been brought into school. Your generosity and kindness of heart is much appreciated.

Please take care of each other and we hope you enjoy the summer months – we will see you all on Thursday 2nd September for our new academic year.

Have a lovely summer and a restful time with your families.

Yours faithfully,

Alexis Satterthwaite

Head Teacher