



Our Vision:

**TO STRIVE  
FOR  
EXCELLENCE**

Our Mission:

**TO GROW,  
LOVE AND LEARN  
FOLLOWING JESUS**

22nd October 2018

**Parent Power**

Dear Parent/Guardian

As you are aware at St. Bernard's, in addition to teaching the National Curriculum we teach children Learning Powers as we believe this approach provides children with transferable skills that they will need to prepare them for modern life. For example: the ability to work with others cooperatively and in some cases, lead others. To persevere when faced with challenge, to have strategies to overcome problems and to make the most out of opportunities they are provided with now and in the future; long after they leave Primary School. We use the Learning Power Approach to do this, written by Professor Guy Claxton, who believes in equipping children with skills 'to be able to know what to do, when they don't know what to do'.

I am currently working with Guy Claxton to look at how Learning Powers can be developed at home to further support the work done in school so that the strategies children are taught, become their 'autopilot' thinking when struggling with anything from reading, to resolving an argument to not giving up in tricky situations plus much more.

During both parents evenings last week, the Learning Power Ambassadors did a great job in recording names of parents and guardians who may be interested in finding out more about this. Just in case we missed anyone I am sending this follow up letter to invite you in for an information session to see if this is something you would be interested in trialling between half term and Christmas.

The sessions will take place : **Monday 12th November 9am - 10am Tuesday 13th November 4pm - 5pm**

Please return the permission slip below to the front office by Friday 26th October and state which session you would prefer to attend.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Suddaby

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**Parent Power**

Name:.....

I wish to attend the information session on Monday 12th November at 9am

I wish to attend the information session on Tuesday 13th November at 4pm

Parent/Guardian.....

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