# ST BERNARD'S NEWSLETTER October 2022

Another week has flown by and our fabulous children are continuing to settle in their new classes with ease. Around school there is a lovely air of calmness and peace. Team Reception are enjoying a full week of school now - although some are very tired by Friday afternoon! I met some new parents at the recent coffee morning which was lovely. We are absolutely committed to working with you to achieve our vision of excellence in all we do.

We encourage a really strong home - school relationship here at St Bernard's which is essential in order for your children to thrive.

A couple of weeks ago we welcomed Fr Edmund into school to celebrate Mass with all our children - it was wonderful for all to be together to receive Jesus into our hearts in this very special way.

Thank you for your continued support.

Julie Le Feuvre

#### QUEEN ELIZABETH II

Following the death of The Queen, each class has spent time learning about a particular aspect of Queen Elizabeth's life and reign. As a school, and in class, the children reflected and prayed for her. Many children were so interested and curious about this significant moment in our country's history.



#### CREATIVITY

As you may know, St Bernard's is the lead school for a national initiative called 'Creativity <u>Collaboratives</u>. We have been chosen to lead a group of 12 schools across Cheshire, Wirral and Liverpool to embed creativity in their schools.

Here at St Bernard's we have been working on collaboration. We are helping the children to develop their skills of co-operating appropriately, giving and receiving feedback and how to share their learning with others. We know that all of the 5 habits of learning are vitally important for our children to develop so they can achieve their full potential.

#### **COLD WEATHER**

As the days are getting colder, and wetter, please send your child into school with a waterproof coat/jacket. We do take the children outside for a few minutes of fresh air even when it is raining.

#### PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

During the week commencing 10th October, we held our start of term parent teacher meetings. The purpose of this meeting was to talk briefly about how your child has initially settled back to school and into their new class. It was wonderful to see how thrilled the children were as they showed off learning that they were extremely proud of.

#### **NEW PARENT GOVERNOR**

We are delighted to inform you that Melanie Snape (who has 3 children at school) has been appointed as a Parent Governor. We are grateful for her volunteering and contributing to the life of the school.

#### ATTENDANCE

This year, with your help, we are going to ensure that our pupil attendance is the best it has ever been. Please bring your child into school every day unless they are unwell. Just like last year we are going to have a special surprise for the class who have the highest attendance.

#### HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

Just a reminder to parents that any holiday should not be taken during term time; children's absence will be recorded as unauthorised. Please be aware that fixed penalty notices will be served on those parents taking children out of school on holiday during term time. Approval for exceptional circumstances will only apply for events of immediate family and not extended family.

#### UNIFORM

We expect all children to wear full school uniform. On PE days, children will be allowed to come into school wearing their PE kit. Please ensure that this clothing is practical and sensible, including appropriate footwear such as trainers and jogging bottoms and sweatshirt if the weather is cold. PE kit should be navy blue, black, white or grey and clothes should not have visible logos.

#### **PTA**

Come and be part of the fantastic team of parents and family members at St Bernard's Primary School. If you would like to join the PTA then please visit our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/2477280365684118/

### So much has been happening in St B's!

Look at our wonderful children at the Chester Zoo Takeover.



## We love learning!

A lovely harvest celebration for KS1. We are thankful for all the food God provides for us.





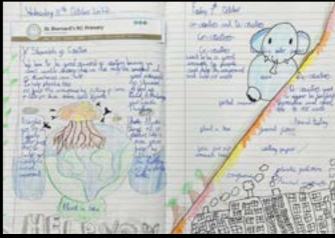
Great orienteering skills at chester zoo. Putting map reading skills to the test whilst learning about the animals.



Our children enjoyed watching performances from our HFCMAT schools.



Team 5 have produced some wonderful work about being Stewards of Creation and co creators and de-creators.

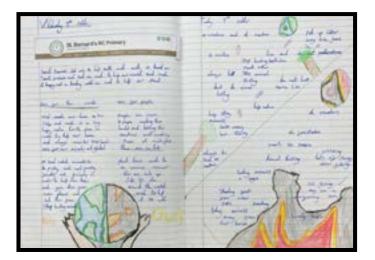


As part of Black History Month 2022 Team 6 have learned about a very special group of soldiers who have previously been forgotten from our history books.









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