



ST. BERNARD'S PREPARATORY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER NO: 15
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Dear Parents/Carers

Children have settled back into the routine of school and are happy and focused in their learning. Our new children and their families are settling well into their new school and are welcome additions to our school family.

START OF TERM MASS – TUESDAY 14TH JANUARY

There will be a Mass in school on **Tuesday 14th January at 10.45 a.m.** led by **Remove**. Father Kevin O'Driscoll will celebrate Mass with us and **all** parents are invited and welcome to attend. It would be wonderful to see lots of you here.

New appointed Bishop for Northampton

The Holy Father has appointed Canon David Oakley, a priest of the Archdiocese of Birmingham and currently rector of St Mary's College, Oscott, to be the thirteenth Bishop of Northampton. Cardinal Vincent Nichols will celebrate the Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Elect David in Northampton Cathedral at 11am on the Solemnity of St Joseph, 19th March 2020. Bishop Peter Doyle rejoices in this good news. Bishop Peter joins the priests and deacons, and the religious people of the Diocese of Northampton in giving thanks to God and welcoming Bishop Elect David and praying for him as he prepares for his ordination as Bishop. We at Prep School send him our best wishes and prayers.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Aarush Garg (Trans M) who was awarded Grade 2 Music Theory with distinction. Well done!

Congratulations to Shaan Bhachu (U. Trans V) who was awarded Grade 2 Piano with distinction. Well done!

Congratulations to Jasmine Kohli (Prep) who completed the Reading Winter Mini Challenge 2019.

Gabriel's Angels

This week's Gabriel's Angels are:-

| <u>Year group</u> | <u>Name of Angel</u> |
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| Prep | Sahar Wassem and Mahi Randhawa |
| Upper Prep G | Ayesha Arora |
| Upper Prep U | Meraya Shankar |
| Lower Trans G | Anish Jain |
| Lower Trans M | Esha Bhakri |
| Trans F | Rehan Sarkar |
| Trans M | Aleena Yasin |
| Upper Trans K | Zara Angelo |
| Upper Trans V | Aishni Mishra |
| Remove C | Rajan Sidhu-Tung |
| Remove W | Esha Sumal |

Sports Fixtures

This week's sports fixtures are as follows:-

2.30pm on Tuesday 14th January – U9AB Football V Gateway AWAY

2.30pm on Friday 17th January – U10AB Football V Gateway HOME

Parents Evening

An important date for your diary! Please note that there will be Parents' Evening beginning **Monday 20th January**. You will have the opportunity to talk to your child's class teacher about their progress. Specialist teachers will also be available on that evening. All parents are expected to attend Parents Evening.

School Uniform

Uniform –All children should be wearing their **full winter uniform, including their school hat or cap.** Children should be wearing regulation school scarves and gloves in navy blue. **Please ensure your child is wearing the school regulation coat for both boys and girls.** All uniform must be clearly labelled. Girls can wear hair bands and tie backs but they must be in navy blue. Thank you.

Music lesson opportunities

Drum lessons

Any Year 2 – 6 pupil - Monday 12.45 – 1.15pm or Tuesday 4.30 – 5pm

Or Year 3 Miss Grogan’s class ONLY - the opportunity for 2 pupils to start individual lessons next term.

If you would like your son or daughter to begin music lessons please collect a letter from reception and return the consent form to Ms Johnson.

Open Days

We will shortly be holding two Open Mornings on **Thursday 30th January and Saturday 1st February.** Please invite any family, friends and colleagues, who are looking for a school for their children, to visit. Although our numbers in school are very positive, in the current economic situation, it is essential to maintain this healthy picture.

After School Clubs and Homework Club

All after school clubs including sports begin today, Monday 13th January. Please register your child for any clubs as soon as possible via Parentmail. Thank you.

FOPS

There will be a FOPS meeting on Wednesday 15th January at 8.30-9.30am in the dining room. All welcome.

First Holy Communion Preparation

We ask that parents advise us if their son/daughter is preparing to receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist in their Parish this year. We ask that you send a photograph of your child into their class teacher so that we can create a display to remind us to pray for them in our school community.

Best wishes

Mr. N Cheesman
Headmaster