



**ST BERNARD'S PREPARATORY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER NO: 18**  
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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to the second half of our Lent term. I hope that you spent a relaxing week with your families and friends.

On the last Friday of half term our FOPs parents hosted a wonderful Valentine's Family Disco which was a wonderful event for all our children and their families. There was a great atmosphere and it was a very sociable evening. I want to express my sincere gratitude to all the FOPs team who worked tirelessly to plan, organise and present such a successful evening.

It has been brought to my attention that a minority of our parents are not being courteous and respectful to our neighbours. At all times please be courteous and consider the needs of other road users and residents in the surrounding area.

Please remember you are parents of Prep School and role models and therefore to behave accordingly.

### **Lent**

Tomorrow is Shrove Tuesday and Wednesday is Ash Wednesday which marks the start of Lent and leads us to the great feast of Easter. Shrove Tuesday is a day of Penitence and the last chance to feast and celebrate before Lent. The children will have pancakes this week.

During the season of Lent, children, parents and staff are invited to join the celebration of **Mass in the St Bernard's Catholic Grammar School Chapel on Friday mornings at 7.15 a.m.** Children and adults **must** arrive promptly for the start of the Mass. **Breakfast is served in Year 6 after Mass** and you are welcome to come and share this meal together with your children and with staff. I look forward to seeing as many as possible **this Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 7.15 a.m.** in the Chapel.

### **Liturgy on Ash Wednesday – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 10.45 a.m.**

There will be a Liturgy in school on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 10.45 a.m.** led by **Upper Trans K and V.** Father Kevin will distribute ashes. **All** parents are invited and welcome to attend. This is an open invitation to all parents not just those in **Upper Trans** classes.

### **Sports Fixtures**

This week's sports fixtures are as follows:-

**2.30pm Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February – U9AB Football Tournament V Gateway AWAY**

**2.30pm Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February – U8AB Football V Gayhurst HOME**

**2.30pm Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February – U10 Football V Triangular at Thorpe House**

### **Lower School Coffee Morning – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February**

We will be holding a Lower School Coffee morning on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 8.30 am** in the DT Room for parents of children in the Early Years Department, Year 1 and Year 2. This is an informal occasion and provides an opportunity to meet other parents and have a cup of tea or coffee. Ms Underwood will also be giving a short presentation on parenting tips and advice. Please park at Sainsbury's and walk to school to avoid congestion in the car park. Thank you.

**KS1 SATs Information Meeting for Parents in Upper Prep classes on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 3.00 pm.** with a prompt start. We suggest you park at Sainsbury's and walk to school to avoid congestion in the car park. Thank you.

Best wishes  
Mr. N Cheesman  
Headmaster