



ST. BERNADETTE'S

CATHOLIC PRIMARY VOLUNTARY ACADEMY

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12th June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Please find below a table showing the remaining term date this academic year.

PENTECOST TERM DATES for Academic Year 2023-2024	
Friday 19th July 2024	At home time, academy closes for Summer holidays

Strawberry Tea

As previously announced, the date for our Strawberry Tea is Friday 28th June 2024, commencing from 12.00 pm. Further details will follow shortly.

Sports Day

Also as previously announced, the date for our Sports Day is Friday 5th July 2024.

Races for Classes 1-6 commencing from 9.15 a.m.

Races for Classes 7-12 commencing from 1.00 p.m.

Further details will follow nearer to the event.

In case of bad weather on the 5th July, the reserve date for Sports Day will be the following Friday, 12th July 2024.

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Term dates for the next academic year, 2024–2025

ADVENT TERM DATES for Academic Year 2024–2025	
Monday 2nd September 2024	Training Day – academy closed to all pupils
Tuesday 3rd September 2024	Training Day – academy closed to all pupils
Wednesday 4th September 2024	Academy opens for all pupils
Friday 18th October 2024	At home time, academy closes for half-term
Monday 28th October 2024	Academy opens for all pupils
Friday 20th December 2024	At home time, academy closes for Christmas holidays
LENT TERM DATES for Academic Year 2024–2025	
Monday 6th January 2025	Academy opens for all pupils
Thursday 13th February 2025	At home time, academy closes for half-term
Friday 14th February 2025	Training Day – academy closed to all pupils
Monday 24th February 2025	Academy opens for all pupils
Friday 4th April 2025	At home time, academy closes for Easter holidays
PENTECOST TERM DATES for Academic Year 2024–2025	
Wednesday 23rd April 2025	Academy opens for all pupils
Monday 5th May 2025	May Day Bank Holiday – academy closed
Friday 23rd May 2025	At home time, academy closes for half-term
Monday 2nd June 2025	Academy opens for all pupils
Friday 18th July 2025	At home time, academy closes for Summer holidays

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School Day Timings

Thank you to all of the families who responded to our recent consultation on the proposed new timings for our school day. For anyone who missed the email sent prior to half-term, we are having to adjust the school's opening times in response to new Government legislation which comes into effect this coming September. At St. Bernadette's this means extending our school day by 5 minutes.

The result of the survey is shown below:

Parent Survey: 121 responses

8.30 a.m. – 3.00 p.m. **79 votes, 65.3%**

8.45 a.m. – 3.15 p.m. **42 votes, 34.7%**

On the basis of this result, I can confirm that from September 2024 the new timings of the school day will therefore be **8.30 a.m. – 3.00 p.m.** for all pupils.

Our Nursery children currently finish their school day 10 minutes later than other pupils. As a result of timetable changes we are making from September, I'm pleased to say that the school day timings for Nursery pupils will be the same as for all other pupils, and which we trust will be more convenient for parents.

A further notable change will be to the school lunchtime period which currently runs on a staggered schedule over 2 hours in total, with individual pupils receiving a 1 hour lunchtime. From September, the school will move to a single lunchtime period for all pupils of 1 hour 10 minutes, providing the children with a little extra time to both eat and play.

PLEASE SEE THE TABLE ON THE FINAL PAGE OF THIS LETTER WHICH SHOWS THE NEW TIMINGS FOR THE SCHOOL DAY.

Photograph Day

Our school photograph day is next Wednesday, 19th June.

Parents should have received an email with additional details from Mrs. Kukawska in our Academy Office – please check this email and respond with the requested information as soon as possible if relevant.

School Reports

Parents will receive their child's end of year school report on Monday 15th July.

Please be aware that our Trust has introduced a new report format for all of its schools this year and so parents will notice some changes to the style of previous reports.

Yours sincerely,



Mr. M. Strong,
Headteacher

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SUMMARY OF KEY TIMINGS FOR THE SCHOOL DAY from September 2024

Breakfast Club	7.30 a.m. – 8.20 a.m. (last serving 8.10 a.m.)
Wake and Shake	8.20 a.m. – 8.30 a.m. (capacity is 50 pupils)
DOORS OPEN	8.30 a.m. – 8.40 a.m.
Gates Close to Rear of Site and Classrooms	8.40 a.m.
MORNING REGISTRATION	8.40 a.m. – 8.45 a.m.
Late Arrivals	Pupils will be marked late if they arrive after 8.45 a.m.
Notifying the School of your Child's Absence	By 9.00 a.m. on each day of absence
LUNCHTIME	12.15 p.m. – 1.25 p.m.
AFTERNOON REGISTRATION	1.25 p.m. – 1.30 p.m.
Class Assembly	2.30 p.m. – 3.00 p.m. Monday afternoons (by invitation)
Gates Open for Vehicles Home Time Playground Parking	2.40 p.m.
Gates Close for Vehicles Home Time Playground Parking	2.55 p.m.
HOME TIME	3.00 p.m.
Gates Reopen for Vehicles Exiting the Playground	3.10 p.m.
After-School Clubs	3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays

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