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St Bert's News

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8th September 2025

Family Worship

This week's Family Worship will be led by Mr O'Neill.

All parents are welcome!

St Bert's Day

Happy Birthday St Bert's On 9th September we will be celebrating 43 years since the creation of St Bert's school. Have you ever wondered who St Berteline was? St Berteline was an English prince and was not behaving himself. As a result, he was sent over to the King in Ireland to learn how to behave like a prince. Whilst there he fell in love with the King's daughter and married her. He brought his wife, who was pregnant, back to England to meet his family. On the way back the baby started to arrive, so Berteline went for help and while he was away his wife was attacked by wolves and he returned to find her dead. He was heartbroken and he decided to return to England permanently and lived as a recluse dedicating his life to serving God. We now have a Church and a school named after him, where others are encouraged to follow in his footsteps.

Football Jerseys for Jackson

Sadly, a former pupil of ours was involved in a serious incident over the summer holidays and remains in Alder Hey hospital having already undergone several major operations. This has been, and remains, an unimaginably difficult time for the whole family. Jackson's brother, Wilson, is currently in Year 6 and as a school, we would like to show our support for Jackson, Wilson and the whole family.

This Friday, we would like to invite the children to wear a football top/kit (or coloured t shirt of their favourite team) to school in exchange for a financial donation. We thought that Jackson would appreciate this idea given his love for football! All money raised will be donated to the family and work towards relieving the family of financial strains during this time.

As part of our fundraising effort, we would also like to invite you to donate any football tops that you no longer require to school at any point next week. We will then hold a football shirt sale next week. Again, any money raised will be donated to the family. Thank you for your support.

Building Work

From next Monday (15th September) building work will commence replacing our school boiler. The work will concentrate on the boiler room which is located by the main bin store by the staff car park. The building area will be fenced off. Please take care when crossing the car park at the start and end of the school day.

Residentials

We will have a full list of all residentials shortly.

Delamere (Group 1)
13th October 2025 -15th October 2025 - £130.00.
Delamere (Group 2)
15th October - 17th October 2025.
£130.00

Delamere Residential Meeting

Delamere residential meeting for parents of Year 3 children takes place on Monday 29th September 2025 at 3.30pm in the school hall.

Payment for Delamere can be made via School Hub.

Wraparound and Breakfast Club

IPal is now up and running again. If you have any outstanding payments for wraparound and breakfast clubs, please can these payments be made as soon as possible. Thank you.

Please click on the link below to register your child for any wraparound care or afterschool activities.

[St Berteline's C of E Primary School: Wraparound Care](#)

Sickness

At this time of the year, we do experience a bout of vomiting and diarrhoea. Can we please remind parents that your child should remain at home for 48 hours from the symptoms disappearing. Please notify the school on the first day of absence. Thank you for your support.

Individual Photos



This Wednesday, 10th September 2025, the school photographer

will be in school to take individual photos and photos with siblings.

On this occasion, the photographers intend to start taking photographs from 9.00am onwards.

New parents, please be aware that you can bring in younger siblings who are not of school age to join their brothers and sisters for a photograph.

In order to do this, you need to come into the school hall at 8.45am along with your toddlers, babies and other siblings. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you are totally confused!

Greet your child with a smile not your mobile!

Greeting your child looking at your phone says "I am more interested in using my phone than YOU!!!" Be welcoming! Children love to be greeted by a person who is equally excited to see them after a busy school day. Please put your phone away when on the school premises - this also protects you and your child from any unwanted images!

Homework



At St Bert's, we feel that homework is an important component of our school offer. From an early age, children are encouraged to share their reading books with family and a vital home school link is created.

As your child gets older, they will be asked to learn spellings, times tables as well as completing tasks/activities that are designed to engage the children and enhance their learning.

It is a proven fact that children whose parents actively promote and support home

learning/homework achieve greater success in academic learning.

Could we please ask all parents to make a point of encouraging his or her child to complete any home learning/homework, which has been set. If you are ever unsure of how to support your child, then please speak to your child's teacher.

Google Classrooms - Years 1 - Year 6

Google Classrooms are now up and



running. Your child's class teacher will be sending you a message to ensure you can access the class page. Please can you respond so the class teacher knows you are receiving class information. Homework, spellings and general messages are posted onto the Google Classrooms weekly and this is a valuable tool for communication with parents.

Year 1 parents will be emailed this week with their child's email address and password.

If you have any difficulties logging on, speak to Gill in the office.

School Spider

Just a reminder to our new Reception families that you can download the School Spider app on your mobile phone to access our school website.

Friends of St Bert's

There will be a Friends of St Bert's meeting taking place on 17th September 2025 at The Evenwood 7.00pm. This meeting is to discuss future fundraising ideas. If you would like to get involved in fundraising for our school, why not go along?

Healthy Eating - Breaktime Snacks

At morning break we provide the KS1 children with fresh fruit or vegetables as a snack.

As per our Healthy Eating Guide (on our school website under policies) can we please make sure that KS2 bring in only fresh fruit and vegetables for morning snack, we do not allow breakfast/cereal bars.

Open Days for High School

Below are dates for open days for High Schools:

Helsby High School

25th September 2025 5.30 - 7.30pm

Sandymoor

30th September 2025 4pm - 7pm

The Heath

2nd October 2025 5.00pm - 8pm

OBA

24th October 2025 5.00pm - 7pm

Blessed Carlo Acutis (St Chad's)

25th September 2025 3.45pm - 6.45pm

Bishops C of E High School, Chester

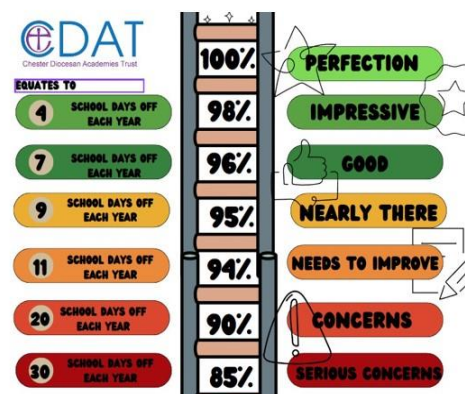
23rd September 2025
6.30pm start

Please contact the high schools directly for further information.

Attendance Policy

At St Bert's high levels of attendance and punctuality are expected in order for children to reap the full benefits of what our school has to offer.

Our target is 96%



A letter was emailed at the end of last term from the Local Authority outlining the new guidance with regards to fining families who take holidays during term time.

After School Clubs

Choir

Choir will start on Friday 12th September and run for 7 weeks until half term (inc Friday 24th Oct). After half term, it is a 5 week block until Friday 5th December.

All children who want to continue need to email to confirm their place and make payment for the term of £48 to the usual bank details. Please reference your child's name as Mrs O'Neil uses this for the registrar details.

Any new starters are welcome to trial the club before committing to the full term. Parents will need to sign up by sending an email to me with child's name/class and then payment details will be sent across. There is an expectation to regularly attend each week with the exception of illness and occasional important family events taking precedence over choir.

Helen.oneil@stbertelines.co.uk

There is only going to be a Sept and April joining opportunity for choir this year.

I look forward to welcoming lots of you back again and seeing some new faces.

Multi Sports Club

Mondays 3.20pm -4.20pm

All year groups

Football Club

Tuesdays 3.20pm - 4.20pm

All year groups

Multi Sports Club

Wednesdays 3.20pm - 4.20pm

All year groups

ADDvanced Solutions Community Network

ADDvanced Solutions Community Network is an open access offer that supports the emotional health and wellbeing of neurodivergent children and young people, their families and the professionals that work with them. No diagnosis or referral is needed to access the offer. Please click on the link below for more information.

[Halton Autumn 1 Half Term 2025 Newsletter.pdf](#)

Happy Birthday



A happy birthday to the following children who celebrate their birthday this week:

Louie Cawley (11)
Georgia O'Connell (5)
Natalie Man (5)
Oscar Webster (6)

We hope you have a wonderful birthday.

Coats, hats and gloves

Can we please ask parents to ensure that their child has a coat in school as the weather may start to turn colder. Also, please make sure all coat, hats and gloves are named? This makes it easier to return items to their owners, thank you.

Quote of the Week



Prayers

Our continuing prayers this week are for the Rendell family.
God Bless