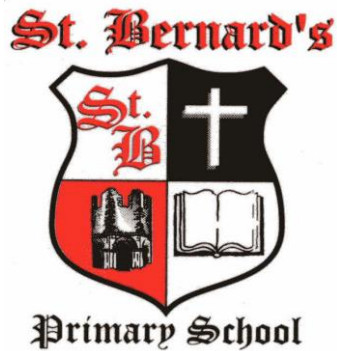




25th August, 2026

Re: Welcome Back

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you and your families have enjoyed a wonderful summer break and have had the opportunity to spend quality time together with family and friends.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming our pupils back to school and beginning another exciting year. Children in Primary Two to Primary Seven will return to school on Thursday 27th August. Parents of our new Primary One pupils are reminded to refer to their individual starting times during the phasing-in period.

As Thursday 27th August and Friday 28th August are non-operational days, school dinners will not be available. We kindly ask that all children bring a packed lunch on these days. School dinners will resume on Tuesday 1st September. Please also note that school will be closed on Monday 31st August due to the Bank Holiday.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mr Pierce once again on his recent appointment as Vice-Principal. We are delighted that he will continue to play such an important role in the leadership and development of our school. In addition, we are pleased to welcome Mr Cunningham and Miss Loughran to the staff of St Bernard's. We wish them every success and happiness in their new roles and know that they will make a valuable contribution to our school community.

As we embark on a new academic year, we look forward to working in partnership with you to ensure that every child feels happy, supported and inspired to achieve their full potential. Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing everyone back at school very soon.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'J. Maguire'.

Jenni Maguire
(Principal)