



# ST. BEDE'S COLLEGE

# BEDE'S NEWS

## 21 June 2019

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### The Headmaster's Review of the Week

Dear Bedian Family,

As I write to you this week I am delighted to have earlier welcomed our new Year 7 pupils to the Senior part of the College for their induction day and I am very much looking forward to addressing them and their parents later on this afternoon at its conclusion. We cannot wait for our new pupils to start in September and I know that they will be a credit to their parents and to all of those associated with the College.

The theme of the week is *feed the hungry* - in the College we raise money for charities such as Mary's Meals and donate to local food banks, but we also need to acknowledge that we are all spiritually hungry too. We should reflect upon those who do not know Christ's love for them. Can we be Christ to our brothers and sisters this week? As scripture says "Jesus took the five loaves and the two fish, raised His eyes to heaven and said the blessing over them; then He broke them and handed them to His disciples to distribute among the crowd" (Luke 9:16). Today is also the Feast of the Sacred Heart, a beautiful devotion to Jesus, and I would like to invite all of those associated with the College to pray for one another and catalyse an outpouring of God's love into our community.

Some of the many highlights of my week include the celebratory dinner which I hosted on Monday evening for our U12 ESFA Football Cup winners, their families and their coaching team, the Mass of Thanksgiving on Tuesday for our benefactors and the blessing of our new Donors' Board by the main entrance, a visit from the Chinese Education Consulate, giving out prizes at the U3 / L4 celebration assembly on Tuesday and a highly successful Prep and College Open Morning yesterday. The College is very much in rude health and we are remaining busy and productive all the way through to the end of term.

I am very much looking forward to publishing the report from our recent ISI inspection on the College's website next Thursday at 9am and I would strongly encourage you all to spend some time reading and reflecting upon its contents.

You can learn much more about the life of the College via our website and social media channels and do please follow the College Twitter accounts and my own (@LouisdArcy1 is my handle) if you can.

We continue to keep you all in our thoughts and prayers here at the College.

Mr L d'Arcy  
Headmaster  
@LouisdArcy1



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FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2019

DOORS OPEN: 7.30PM

TICKETS: FROM SEPT

**SORRY ADULTS ONLY**

**PAY BAR**

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### St. Bede's College Art Department

## Summer Exhibition

You are warmly invited to attend our GCSE and A Level Artists' and Photographers' Summer Exhibition.

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June,  
from 4.30 – 7pm in the Art Department, Regis Building.



*"Creativity is intelligence having fun."*

Albert Einstein



## Synagogue Visit

Last Tuesday over fifty Upper Fifth went to Menorah Synagogue in Gatley to experience first-hand the Jewish faith. This is the culmination of an entire year of study on Jewish belief and practice and was an excellent way to bring the topic alive.

Pupils were able to see a Torah scroll up close and hear a member of the community read a passage. Being so close to a scroll is a rare treat as these scrolls can take a scribe up to two years to complete. There was also the opportunity to observe a typical Shabbat celebration with challah bread and grape juice.

Pupils commented on how the morning helped bring the learning that had happened in the classroom alive and what a great experience it was.

Mr Sanders



## "THE GREATEST SHOW"

On Thursday we saw our dancers and vocalists perform in a showcase evening of song and dance delivering a pre-tour concert. We saw an outstanding opening of the Disneyland performance entitled 'The Greatest Show', followed by wonderful vocal solos from our youngest Upper Third pupils to our Sixth Form. We were also treated to captivating dances.

From the 6-10 July myself, Mrs Barber, Mrs Pike and Mr Hughes will be travelling to Paris for a four day tour, delivering concerts in prestigious venues, and also, after a long audition process the troupe have been given the opportunity to perform at Disneyland.

Whilst in Paris our concerts will be at the following venues:  
 Sunday 7 July Amphithetare Campus Sainte Therese 21:00pm  
 Monday 8 July Disneyland Paris 12:00 Paris time  
 Dream Castle Hotel 21:00  
 Tuesday 9 July The American Church Paris 14:30pm

On Monday 8 July there will be a live video feed from Disneyland of our performance via our school Facebook page, St Bede's College, Manchester. The performance will be at 12:00 in Paris and 11:00 GMT.

Miss A Smith



## On The House!

Tomorrow, Saturday 22 June will be the culmination of charitable events involving our College Houses between 11.00am and 1pm. The fields at Brantingham Road will be alive with friendly competition and a delicious offering of refreshments organised by house staff and their dedicated team of helpers.

Rounders, a coconut shy, penalty shoot-outs and much much more with fun for all ages, it is hoped that this will attract families and strengthen our already vibrant Bedian community. All proceeds will go to 'For Jimmy', the knife crime awareness charity, run by the family of Jimmy Mizen.

Admission is free so come and join us!



## Happy Return For Mass Of Thanksgiving

We were delighted to welcome Bishop Thomas McMahon, former Bishop of Brentwood and a former pupil of the College, to celebrate a Mass for donors to its Bursary Fund.

The bishop, who retired in 2014, spoke in his homily of eucharist, hospitality and ethos being at the heart of a community like St Bede's. The Mass was concelebrated with Father Anthony Dearman, College priest and former teacher of mathematics, who is a near contemporary of Bishop McMahon. Members of the Sixth Form read while Prep 3 pupils gave a marvellous rendition of the Hail Mary complete with sign language. Sixth Form pupil Martha played violin after communion.

After Mass the congregation moved to the College entrance where the magnificent new board in recognition of major donors was blessed. In the congregation were College staff and pupils as well as benefactors to the College from the Dunn, Stockton and d'Arcy families. Mr Maurice Taylor was also present along with representatives of MBL Seminars. Mrs Judith Dennerly, Mr James Flynn, Mr John Gollaglee and Mr Paul Heaps, Trustees of the Bursary Fund were also in attendance. The College is immensely grateful for the generosity of these friends of the College who do so much to help us maintain the social mix which has always been a hallmark of St Bede's.

After the service, Mr Louis d'Arcy, Headmaster of St Bede's, hosted a lunch for benefactors and trustees in recognition of their contributions to the life of the College. Bishop McMahon who had not visited for many years was delighted to see the College as it is today and remembered affectionately those teachers who had inspired him to enter the priesthood.



Mr Peden

### Theme of the Week

## Feeding the Hungry

"Jesus took the five loaves and the two fish, raised His eyes to heaven and said the blessing over them; then He broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd." (Luke 9:16)

#### Challenge:

Feed the hungry! In College we raise money for charities such as Mary's meals and donate food to local food banks, but what about the spiritually hungry people? What about those who do not know Christ's love for them. Can we be Christ to our brothers and sisters this week?



**Prayer:**  
Dear Lord, you are the Bread of life and from you comes everything we need and desire. Thank you that we can feed ourselves on the Holy Eucharist and then in turn feed our brothers and sisters with love. St Theresa of Avila reminds us that you have no hands but ours, so give us the faith that you can achieve great things through me. Help me to put my faith into action.  
Amen  
St Bede – Pray for us

SUMMER PRODUCTION 2019

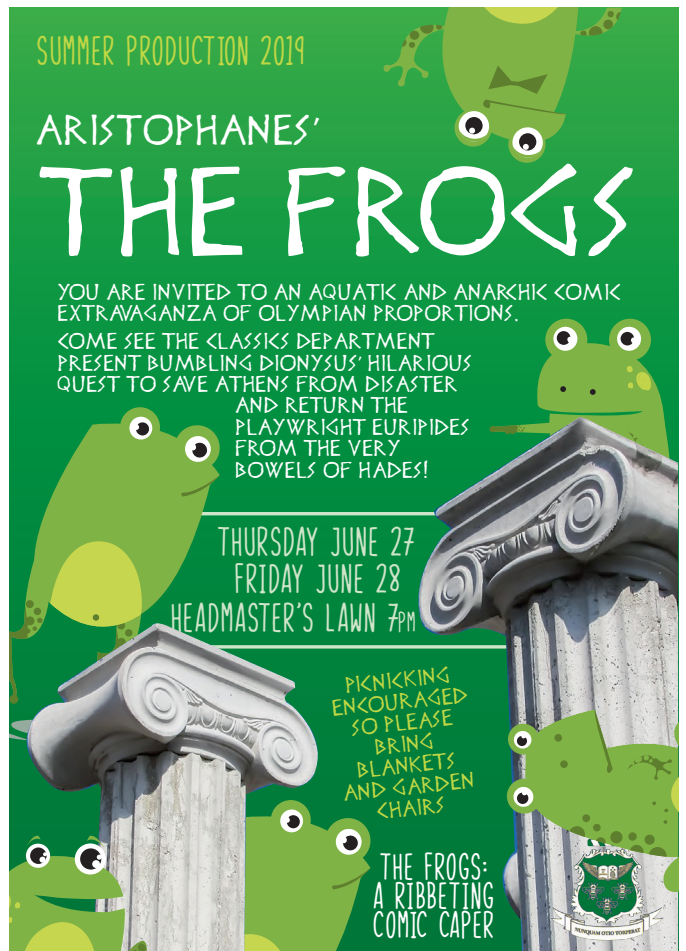
## ARISTOPHANES' THE FROGS

YOU ARE INVITED TO AN AQUATIC AND ANARCHIC COMIC EXTRAVAGANZA OF OLYMPIAN PROPORTIONS. COME SEE THE CLASSICS DEPARTMENT PRESENT BUMBLING DIONYSUS' HILARIOUS QUEST TO SAVE ATHENS FROM DISASTER AND RETURN THE PLAYWRIGHT EURIPIDES FROM THE VERY BOWELS OF HADES!

THURSDAY JUNE 27  
FRIDAY JUNE 28  
HEADMASTER'S LAWN 7PM

PICKNICKING ENCOURAGED SO PLEASE BRING BLANKETS AND GARDEN CHAIRS

THE FROGS: A RIBBETING COMIC CAPER



## Kilimanjaro Walk

At 1.45pm on Thursday the 20 June, a group of intrepid Upper Third students, ably led by Mr. Yates and Mr. Lee-Rodriguez, finally made the summit of the stairs of the Vaughan Building. The air may have been thin but the joy and relief on the faces of the ardent adventurers was capacious. Helping each other scramble over the last few stairs, Oliver Taylor stoically planted the Siena flag, atop the lofty peak; a victory for fortitude, team work and Bedian grit.

The team had previously spent three lunchtimes climbing the gruelling 107 steps, ascending 17 meters with each ascent. The team of ten climbers proceeded to climb the Vaughan stairs 30 times in roughly two hours, taking the entire total of the team to a height of 5100 metres (200 meters above the actual height of Kilimanjaro but lack of oxygen at the summit has been blamed for this).

To date, the climbers have raised a total of £160 for the Siena House Charity, The Cindy Appleyard Foundation, but more than that, they learned that through cooperation, resilience and perseverance, any peak can be conquered – imaginary or not!



The Siena Climbers looking aspiringly to the summit

## Mexican Theme

On Wednesday 19 June it was all things Mexican as Steve and his team put on a delicious spread of Chilaquiles, Pozole, Tacos al pastor, Tostadas, Chiles en nogada, Elote, Enchiladas not only was the food excellent the team also joined in the fun by donning Mexican attire...



## London Reunion - Bedians Reunite On The Thames

The London Reunion will be held on Friday 11 October 2019, from 6:30pm – 8:30pm in the Wardroom, London Division Royal Naval Reserve, HMS President.

HMS President, a 'stone frigate,' occupies one of the most coveted positions in the heart of London – just downstream from Tower Bridge, overlooking the entrance to St Katharine's Dock. The evening has been kindly arranged by Cdr Paul Ottewell (1985 – 1992) and the Headmaster, Mr d'Arcy will be attending.

The London reunions are growing in attendance and if previous ones are anything to go by, this will be an evening of fun, friendship and meeting different Bedians across the generations. Come as you are, straight from work, or make a day of it and come up to London to join us. You are all very welcome.

Inclusive drinks tickets are £25 and a discount is offered to Bedians who have recently graduated or left the College. For further details on this please contact [development@stbedescollege.co.uk](mailto:development@stbedescollege.co.uk)

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### Pupils Prepare for Prep Podcast Launch

Following the centenary of the suffragettes last year, we were interested to see how the lives of women have changed in the city where the movement began. We decided to make a podcast and interview successful business women in Manchester to explore this question and find out how they have worked to make their businesses what they are today.



Our reporters are Valentina, Faith, Miren, Eden, Jiya and Amara and the girls are hard at work preparing questions and brushing up on their interview skills! Our first podcast with Gail Jones of UKFAST will be released in September followed by Sally O'Loughlin of Didsbury House Hotel and Jennie Johnson of Kids Allowed Nurseries. Watch this space for details of the podcast release date!



**Prep 2 - Dani**

**Prep 3 - Nell & Larissa**

**Prep 5 - Alex & Jack**

### Sports Day Assembly

Prep 1 proudly presented their class assembly this week. The theme focused upon Sports Day, an event which is rapidly approaching in the coming weeks. Children shared their own ideas of what they enjoyed most about sports day and what it meant to them. Prep 1 were able yet again to deliver word perfect, rehearsed lines that they had learnt off by heart with incredible confidence!



The message they shared was to be proud of your achievements, never give up and always support one another a real value that the children demonstrate within our school. The children were able to deliver this message excellently during their assembly before changing the atmosphere to a moving and reflective class liturgy.



This quite simply was led by the children to thank God for their special gifts that makes them all so wonderfully unique in the Chapel our peaceful place.

### Notices

#### Sports Days

Monday 24 June Prep 1-3

1.30 - 3.00 Brantingham Road

Wednesday 26 June Nursery & Rec

9.30 - 11.00 Sports Hall

Friday 28 June Prep 4 - 6

1.30 - 3.00 Brantingham Road

#### Musical Festival

Parents are welcome to watch our budding musicians at the Musical Festival on Tuesday 25 June at 9.30am in the Academic Hall