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The Headmaster's Review of the Week

Dear Bedian Family,

I would like to welcome our parents, pupils and teaching staff back after the half term break and hope that it was a restorative one for you all. My operational colleagues of course spent this period working extremely hard to ensure that the College was in great shape for this last period of the current academic year. We are very much one big team here at St Bede's and I would like to pay tribute to the many, often unseen, colleagues without whom this fine school would not be able to run so safely and effectively.

For the majority of our pupils this part of the academic year is all about internal and public examinations, and I would like to wish everyone the very best for their assessments. As I have often stated we want the absolute best for all of our fantastic young people here at St Bede's and hope that they attain the results that they desire, but academic endeavour is much more important than achievement. We want our pupils to be kind, compassionate leaders of both the present and the future and examinations cannot measure this.



It was an absolute pleasure to host both the Headmaster's Tea Party and the Post-Inspection Staff Celebration on the final Friday before we broke up for half term, and it was also wonderful that my wife Roxanne and daughter Anna were also able to join in the festivities. It was great to be able to chat informally with so many of our supportive and loyal parents, as well as later on that afternoon share a real sense of achievement with our colleagues following a very positive ISI inspection. I very much hope that the final version of the report will be published before the end of term for us all to read through and take pride in. I would also like to take this opportunity to again thank our pupils and their parents for the key role which they played in ensuring that the inspection went very well and we are fortunate at St Bede's to have such close bonds between the College, its pupils and their parents.

Many, many congratulations to our U14 Girls' Athletics team who finished 3rd overall out of 17 schools participating in the recent Manchester Schools' Athletics Championships. Roselle was 3rd in the 100m, Sonya was 1st in the high jump, Riley was 3rd in the 800m and Marie was 3rd in the javelin. The relay team comprising of Riley, Roselle, Sonya and Sarah were 3rd. As a result of their endeavours Roselle, Riley and Sonya have been selected to represent Manchester in the Greater Manchester Athletics Championships on 8th June. These are further fantastic achievements for St Bede's Athletics, on the back of our U16 team being crowned Manchester Champions the week before last

You can learn more about the life of the College via our website and social media channels and do please follow me on Twitter (@ 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
@LouisdArcv1







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Temporary Summer Vacancy

F.R.Monkhouse Limited, the North's leading Schoolwear supplier, are looking for bright and enthusiastic people to help during the busy peak summer period of July - September

If this is of interest to you please contact the school shop. Alternatively send your C.V. with a covering letter and the dates you are available to donna.mcavov@monkhouse.com

Sleepout

Next Friday rather than returning to our homes, pupils from Upper Fourth accompanied by Mrs Hibbert, College Chaplain and Mr Lee-Rodriguez, Head of Siena House, will be taking to their sleeping bags. Their aim is to raise awareness and much needed funds for Caritas Salford's homeless services Conerstone Day Centre and Night Haven. Bury Red Door, The Lally Centre and Caritas Young Parents Centre will also benefit.

If you would like to sponsor the pupils please do so via Just Giving www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stbedescollegesleepout Thank you Mrs Hibbert



On The House!

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!

Upper Fifth Pizza Day

During half term the Mathematics Department ran a revision day, to prepare



students for Paper 2H of the Mathematics IGCSE. This annual session has become known as 'Pizza Dav' as all who attend are treated to a free pizza lunch by the department.

Over sixty members of the

Upper Fifth attended with Mr Wright, Mr Parkinson-Jones, Mrs Brewer and Mr Bargery taking the sessions. I would like to thank them for kindly giving up their time for this relaxed revision sessions.

Mr McCotter had also extended an invitation to his Upper Sixth students and a productive and delicious day was enjoyed by all.











Theme of the Week

Pentecost

"They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech." Acts 2:

Challenge:

Discover! On the eve of Pentecost 2017 tens of thousands of people gathered at Circo Massimo, Rome from all over the world for a gathering to pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the Church with Pope Francis.



Praver:

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Lourdes Donations Appeal

This summer, a group of our Sixth Form students will be travelling to Lourdes with Salford Diocese to volunteer with the sick and disabled pilgrims; a trip which has proven to be very successful in previous years and promises to be equally fantastic this time round. It is an excellent opportunity to develop both as individuals and to support others and enhance the time of the other pilgrims, providing assistance where possible and of course some friendly faces!



The group is very excited but we need your help! We hope to raise as much money as possible to fund our time in Lourdes and help towards the overall cost of the trip, something we cannot do without your generous support.

Believe it or not, summer is fast approaching, so what better time for a clear out than now? We would be very grateful if you could take this opportunity to ditch all last year's unwanted Christmas presents: that handbag which went with one outfit and you haven't used since, or that perfectly good games console your son neglected because 'the latest model is out mum... and it's sooo much better!' How about the growing collection of toys your daughter is now 'too cool' for, or the painting that clashes terribly with the curtains? Look no further!

APPEAL FOR DONATIONS!

Lourdes Pilgrmage 2019

Handbag that doesn't match any outfit? Home accessories that clash with the curtains? Summer is (apparently) almost here and it's time for a clear out... why not give to a worthwhile cause and support our pilgrimage?

- Look at home for any items you could donate: bags, scarves, old computer games... provided they are in good condition and not clothes or shoes!
- Bring them into school and deliver to Mrs
 Corbett in the business department or one
 of the 6th form Pilgrimage team.
- 3. We will put them on the site, with all profits going towards our pilgrimage.
- Browse the site in the coming weeks for some fantastic deals, knowing the money is going to a worthwhile cause!



form students will the travelling to Lourdes with Salford Diocese to volunteer with the sick and disabled pilgrims – but we need YOUR help to raise funds to support the cost of the trip.



We would love it if you could donate any unwanted items to our appeal, where they will be auctioned on the website 'Buengo', with profits going towards our pilgrimage. All we ask is that everything is in good condition, and not items where sizing may be a problem, such as clothing or shoes. Pupils can give the items to Mrs Corbett in the Business Department and the Sixth Form Group will be sure to make the most of every donation. Of course you are welcome to visit the site and browse the items for yourself – more details to follow.

We would be very grateful for anything you can give and thank you in advance for your support! We'll be sure to keep you updated on our progress in the coming months.

Many thanks.

Many thanks, The 6th Form Lourdes Team 2019

Jess Lower Sixth



Bede's Reads



Upper Third and Lower Fourth pupils have raised a magnificent total of £700 for Mary's Meals by reading! They were asked to set themselves a reading challenge and ask family and friends to sponsor

them in order to support the charity which provides meals at school for hungry children all over the world.

Their aim is not only to supply a nutritious meal to children in need but to attract them to the classroom where education can lead to a better

future for themselves and their communities.

Many pupils read lots of books and brought in sponsor money but our star fundraisers were Mrs Boylan's English group who contributed an amazing £265 towards the total. They were rewarded with sweets donated by the Library.

Thank you to all those pupils and parents who so generously contributed to this good cause.

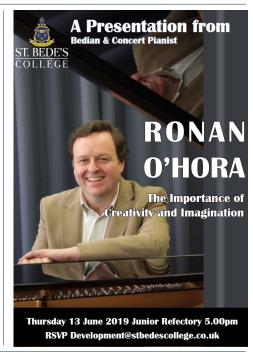




9am - 4pm daily with a performance at 3pm on Friday 12th.

E-mail info@page-2-stageproductions.co.uk to book a place





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



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AJIS Art Competition

On Thursday 23 May, ten Prep children were chosen to visit The Grange School in Northwich to go and view their art work which was entered into this year's AJIS Art Competition.

This year's theme was a painting titled 'WEATHER'. The children loved finding their work displayed in an Art Gallery and enjoyed looking at the art work from other schools. Lots of the art work from St Bede's was men-





tioned during the presentation and we won a 1st Prize, two 2nd prizes, a 3rd prize and a Highly Commended.

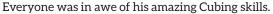
Well done to all the children who entered.

Cubing With Chris



Mrs Harrison's son Chris, a past pupil, kindly came into school to deliver a session on Rubik's cubes as part of Prep 5H's 'Class of The Week' treat. Former Bedian Chris was also one of Mrs Horsefield's first pupils. Chris has been solving Rubik's cubes since he was ten years old and attends Rubik's competitions around the world. He also has his own YouTube channel.

Chris spoke to the children about his experiences and the children got to play with a large selection of his Cubing collection. We even had a Rubix competition between Chris, Brandon and Matvey.





Prep 3 Marist Centre Visit

On Wednesday 5 June Prep 3 visited the Marist Centre as part of the preparation for their Holy Communion. During the morning the children were introduced to important parts of scripture relating to the Eucharist and were asked to create their own prayers/poems/songs. They then split into groups and acted out some of the stories from the Bible. The key themes

of the day were 'joy', 'Hope' and 'Peace' and the children were able to communicate these ideas very effectively.



It was a lovely day of reflection for Prep 3 who will be gathering in just under four weeks for the annual Holy Communion Celebration here in the College Chapel.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Nursery - Joseph, Olivia & Saskia

Prep 3 - Giselle

Prep 5 - Gabi

Prep 6 - Faith

Notices

Tuesday 11 June: Prep 5 Wax Museum Parents are welcome to visit between 11.20am and 11.50am.

Thursday 13 June: Prep 3 Tatton Park visit. Prep 4 Ordsall Hall visit.

STARS OF WEEK



HOUSE POINT WINNERS



CLASS OF THE WEEK - Nursery

