



ST. BEDE'S COLLEGE

BEDE'S NEWS

10 May 2019

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The Headmaster's Review of the Week

Dear Bedian Family,

As I look out across the Headmaster's Lawn and into the playground, we are currently in the midst of our latest Independent Schools' Inspectorate (ISI) educational quality and focussed compliance inspection. It has been absolutely fantastic to see us all working so well together as a team, in order to portray St Bede's College in the best possible light and to reveal to the inspection team in our modest and self-effacing Bedian way, all of the magic ingredients that make the College such a special place.

The theme of the week is Vocations and this Sunday (12 May) is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Good Shepherd Sunday. It may be worth spending a few moments to contemplate the following - what is God calling you to do in your life? Do try to take some time over the coming days, in silence, to ask God to help you to discern your vocation. As scripture says "Those that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life; they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me." (John 10:27-28).

Following our tremendously successful and extremely popular inaugural breakfast meeting of parents and staff in the Joseph Refectory last term, we will be holding another event in the same venue on Friday 17 May from 8 - 9am. It was such an uplifting event last time and an important opportunity for us to collectively discuss the life of the College and our exciting shared aims for the future. The event also generated great interest in the relaunched St. Bede's College Parents' Association (SBPA) and thank you to the many parents who signed up to offer their support.

Notable other recent events include the LAMDA showcase evening on Wednesday of this week, which further highlighted the rich vein of performing arts talent here at the College, the annual Upper Fifth Mass this morning in order to wish our pupils every success in their forthcoming exams, and the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze expedition to Buxton which departs on Saturday morning.

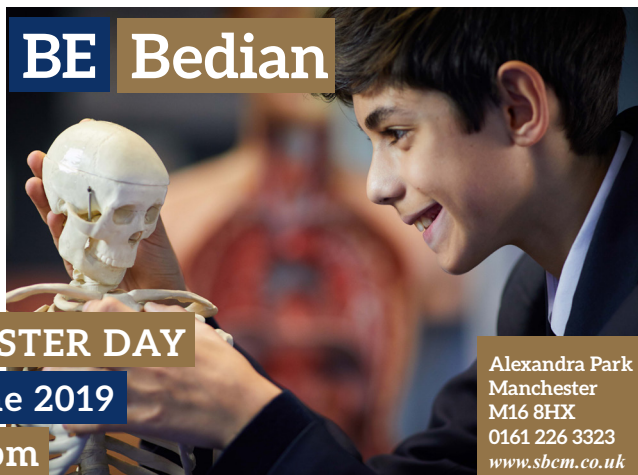
We are extremely proud of all of our pupils here at St Bede's but are especially mindful that the next few months are very intensive and at times stressful for our Upper Fifth and Upper Sixth students. As I said in their Celebration Assembly yesterday morning, their public examination results this summer will not define them as human beings. It is the strength of their character and their kindness and compassion towards others which will do this. Here at St Bede's College, we are as proud of the hard-won B and C grades as we are of A and A* grades.

We of course continue to keep you all in our thoughts and prayers here at the College and I would like to personally wish you every strength and blessing over the coming week.

Mr L d'Arcy
Headmaster
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YEAR FIVE TASTER DAY

Saturday 15 June 2019

9:30am - 12:30pm

Alexandra Park
Manchester
M16 8HX
0161 226 3323
www.sbcm.co.uk



Kindertransport

Lady Milena Grendel Baines MBE visited the College today to speak to the Upper Fourth. The Maher Library was packed with students and staff, all of whom sat awestruck as Lady Milena told her story of her experiences as a child refugee aboard the Kindertransport.

She was one of the 669 Jewish children rescued by Sir Nicolas Winton in 1939 and her message calls us to never be a bystander and to assure us that life can go on.

Lady Milena also had lunch with some of our Sixth Formers who had the privilege to talk with her over sandwiches and cake. Lady Milena's testimony inspired us all today: by listening to her we become the link between history and memory.

Mr Power



Breakfast In The Refectory

There will be two further opportunities this term to meet with the Headmaster and the SLT for breakfast in the Joseph Refectory. These will take place on Friday 17 May and Friday 28 June. Breakfast will be served from 8am to 9am.

Please do take this opportunity to join them, all are very welcome.



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Friday 12th.

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to book a place

Lost and Found

LAST CHANCE TO RECLAIM
YOUR PROPERTY!!

We unearthed an absolute mountain of lost property over the Easter holiday and whilst a lot of it is named, there are over thirty unnamed coats with no home.

The coats will be left on clothing rails on the Vaughan corridor outside the library for pupils and parents to hopefully reclaim. The coats will be left until Friday 10 May and if not claimed will be donated to charity.



Uniform Shop

Please be aware the College Uniform shop will be closing at 3.00pm on Monday 13 May 2019. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.



UK Mathematics Trust - Team Challenge

This year's regional final for the team competition took place in the Great Hall at the University of Manchester. Two students, Katy and Hoaran from the Upper Fourth and Oliver and Leonardo from the Lower Fourth represented the College.

Hoaran had been part of last year's team so was able to pass on advice to his team mates which was generally well received and all four students had prepared for the competition by attending Mr Bargery's Maths Enrichment club, together with Peter who was the reserve.

The group worked well together, whilst utilising each individual's strengths. Katy's organisational skills were invaluable throughout, as was Hoaran's ability to solve complex equations in the crossnumber round. Leonardo impressed throughout with his all-round mathematical knowledge and Oliver's determination to overcome challenging problems aided the team.

The team were disappointed to learn that despite a creditable and determined performance they had finished in the top half of the competition but were just outside the top ten. This experience will undoubtedly hold them in good stead in the future, as was confirmed by Katy, "This was a great team building exercise but also it helped to build confidence in our own inner abilities".



Oliver, Leonardo together with our other talented Mathematicians from the Lower Fourth and Upper Third are also keenly waiting to see if they have progressed within the Individual Junior Maths Challenge competition. The Junior Maths Olympiad, which is the follow on round for the Junior Maths Challenge, takes place towards the end of this term.

In addition, this term our Gifted and Talented students will participate in the Intermediate Olympiad for Lower Sixth Biology students and the Cambridge Online Challenge for Lower Sixth Chemists. Towards the end of term our Gifted and Talented dancers will be going on the London trip, and at the start of the summer holidays dancers from the Lower Fourth, Upper Fourth and Lower Fifth will also be heading off to Paris.

Mr Bargery

Theme of the Week

Vocations

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(John 10:27-28)

Challenge:

Sunday 12th May is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Good Shepherd Sunday.
What is God calling you to do in your life?
Take some time in silent prayer to ask God to help you discern your vocation.

Prayer:

Jesus, thank you for being the Good Shepherd. Thank you for all the people who help lead me, my parents, guardians, priests and teachers. This vocations Sunday help me to use my gifts and talents in the church and in the world.

Help me to have peace in knowing who you have called me to be. Amen.



St Bede -
pray for us



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Robinwood

A week in pictures with a full report next week.



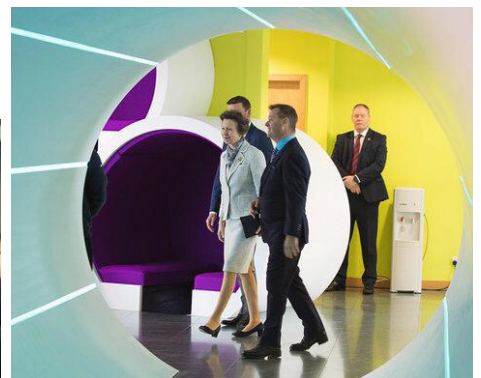
By Royal Invitation

On Wednesday 1 May, Mrs Hunt & Mr Joyce-O'Keeffe accompanied the Prep's 'Digital Ambassadors' Joshua and Marcus (Prep 5) to a special event, 'A Royal Invitation to UKFast'. The boys were taking part in a digital learning workshop and also had the opportunity to talk to HRH The Princess Royal, Princess Anne.

The Princess Royal was visiting UKFast as part of her role as President of The City and Guilds Institute and her activities in the Royal Training Awards. UKFast is leading the field in the United Kingdom in Digital Training has made strong links with St Bede's Prep. They created and funded the Pi Café and are in the process of arranging a Coding Club for the coming academic year.

On the day, Marcus and Joshua, who will be the Pi Café leaders next year received training in running a Code Club in school. They learned how the internet worked and whilst looking at the coding that goes into Minecraft they were visited by HRH Princess Anne who chatted to them about their enjoyment of Computing, Coding and STEM subjects. Our Digital Ambassadors said they had "the best day ever!"

We would like to thank UKFast for inviting our pupils to such a prestigious event and Aaron Saxton for his support in creating the Pi Café. We are all looking forward to a close learning partnership with Aaron and his team at UKFast in the coming years.





Reception - Alexis

Prep 1 - Emily

Prep 2 - Jordan

Prep 5 - Kitty

Prep 6 - Malaika & Ayo



DANCE AWARD WINNERS



SINGING AWARD WINNERS

Notices

Prep 6 are leaving to enjoy their Boreatton Park Residential Trip on Monday 13 May and will return to school on Friday 17 May.

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STARS OF WEEK



HOUSE POINT WINNERS



CLASS OF THE WEEK - Prep 4C

