

22 November 2019

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The Headmaster's Review of the Week

Dear Bedian Family,

Our theme of the week has been "Christ The King" – on this Sunday of Christ the King, set aside as Youth Day in England and Wales, we are reminded in the Gospel that Christ is King of heaven and earth. We invite you to think about how you and other young people you know can make your voices heard. As scripture says "Do not let people disregard you because you are young" (1 Timothy 4:12) and "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you today you will be with me in paradise.'" (Luke 23: 42-43). The challenge for all of us is to seek out our roles, our purpose in life and let our light shine!



I am still glowing with pride after our triumphant run last week of West Side Story – to be able to attend all three evening performances was wonderful and the spectacle spoke volumes about all of the amazing ingredients which make St Bede's such a special school. I would again like to thank all of our pupils, colleagues, parents and our professional musicians for their incredible support over the last days, weeks and many months.

It was a great pleasure to be able to host a lunch for our new staff on Tuesday in the Joseph Refectory, in order to say well done on making such a great start to their time at the College and for me to be able to tell them how proud I am of their progress so far. I am extremely grateful to our College Chaplain, Mrs Hibbert, for arranging a Holy Hour in our Chapel on Tuesday afternoon from 3.30pm and it was wonderful to be able, along with a number of colleagues and families, to spend some time with our Lord.

Last night we held our inaugural Historians' Club lecture here at the College, given by world-renowned expert on Nazi Germany and Bedian, Professor Sir Ian Kershaw. The Academic Hall was full of pupils, parents, colleagues and other visiting schools, and I am extremely grateful to Mr Power and a number of other colleagues for creating this amazing opportunity. I hope that it will be the first of many such lectures, across a wide range of subjects, here at the College!

It was a pleasure and a privilege to be able to speak with a great many of you at our inaugural Development and Fundraising Information Evening which took place at the College on Wednesday and I would like to thank all of those who were able to attend. I will be writing to you shortly in order to keep you informed and I continue to be extremely grateful for your incredible warmth and support for the College.

You can learn much more about the life of the College via our website and social media channels and do please sign up to 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

ST BEDE'S COLLEGE MANCHESTER THE PLACE TO BE





Manchester University Visit - EPQ

Fourteen Sixth Formers who are undertaking an Extended Project Qualification took part in a Research Skills workshop at Manchester University this week.

Led by a PhD student, they were challenged to think about selecting the right title and subject for their work, planning



their research, accessing relevant and reputable resources and high level note-taking techniques.

An EPQ is an independent research project which involves writing an essay of 5000 words or creating a product or artefact on a subject of the student's choice. The qualification is highly regarded by universities as evidence of the ability to learn independently. Current St Bede's Sixth Formers are choosing to work on subjects including mental health, business, architecture and fashion and we

wish them well as they start their research

Mrs Poolton





Theme of the Week

Christ the King

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JOUTH SUNDAY

Challenge:

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"Do not let people disregard you because you are young." 1 Timothy 4:12. Seek out your role, your purpose in life and let your light shine!

Prayer:

Jesus, I feel I have so much to offer and so much I can do but I'm afraid of what my friends might say if I become involved in school or my parish. Help me to notice where I can make a difference and give me the courage to go for it. Amen. St Bede- Pray for us





FRIDAY 24 JANUARY 2020 DOORS OPEN: 7.30PM TICKETS: SIMS-PAY

ADULTS ONLY CASH ONLY BAR

ENQUIRIES: RCAMPBELL@STBEDESCOLLEGE.CO.UK





Dear Parents, Teachers and Friends,

The SBPA Christmas Fair 2019 is now just around the corner! Your child should have brought home an envelope containing £20.00's worth of raffle tickets. There are 5 tickets in each booklet and each individual ticket is £1.00 each. A large part of the Christmas Fair revenue is generated through the sale of Raffle Tickets prior to the event so please ask all your family and friends to support us and buy as many tickets as possible.

If you haven't seen the envelope, it should be in your child's bag! Don't forget to send in your sold Christmas Fair raffle ticket counterfoils with the collected monies to either the Prep Office or the Main College Office.

As you know we need volunteering over two days;

- Fri 29 Dec Event set up
- Sat 30 Dec Running stalls and activities

Let us know if you can help volunteering or would like to advertise in the Christmas Fair Brochure via the following different channels:

- Paper volunteer form (included with the raffle tickets)
- Via email sbpa@stbedescollege.co.uk

The Bottle Tombola and the festive plants and decorations stalls will also be complemented with games stalls, activity stalls, Santa's Grotto, the Gaelic Coffee bar, to name but a few, as well as new stalls that will be

coming to our fair for the first time. There will be something for everyone to enjoy!

As always, any new uniform that pupils have outgrown can be recycled in a 'new to you sale'. So please drop them off into Prep and College receptions.

Dates for your diary:

NOVEMBER 2019

Saturday November 30 2019 - Christmas Fair - 9.30am - 12.30pm

JANUARY 2020

Friday January 24 2020 - Justin Moorhouse and Friends Comedy Evening - 7.30pm onwards

Best Wishes,

The St. Bede's College Parents' Association





Saturday 30 November 2019 9.30 - 12.30

- #Festive plant stall #Chocolate Tombola
- Gaelic coffee & mince pies
 Selfie with Santa
- ₩Wheel of chocolate fortune

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- Bottle Tombola Face painting
- #Fantastic raffles prizes to be won # Craft stalls





Team of the Week

Our U16 Girls' Manchester Indoor and Outdoor Athletics Champions 2019



BEDE'S NEWS PREP SCHOOL 22 November 2019

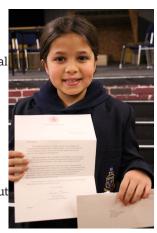
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Climate Change: A Royal Issue

Prep 5 pupil Harper is so worried about climate change and the destruction of our planet that she wrote to Queen Elizabeth II to express her concerns for the future and offer suggestions on how global warming can be reduced and eventually halted.

Harper was astounded to find a letter from Buckingham Palace when she got home. The Queen does not write personally but her correspondence officer, Mrs Dale Bone, wrote on the Queen's behalf; she thanked Harper for writing and for her suggestions. She told Harper that the Queen too has the same worries for the planet, so much so that in 2015 Her Royal Highness created The Queen's Commonwealth Canopy organisation in 2015. It is a forest conservation project in all fifty-three countries of the Commonwealth.

Harper was delighted by the letter and we are very happy to have a Bedian who is so passionate about current affairs and the world in which we live. We may have a future Prime Minister in our midst.



Chester - The Romans

Thursday 14 November Prep 3 visited the Grosvenor Museum in Chester. The visit tied in with this term's topic 'The Romans'. The historical city of Chester was a perfect location to see the ruins of a once occupied Roman fortress. During the visit the children were able to look around the two main exhibition galleries of the museum and were then invited to take

part in a workshop. This included learning about the archaeological aspects of Roman history.

The afternoon was lots of fun as the class were able to dress up as soldiers and march around the city chanting at full volume! It also included a visit to the amphitheatre where our group leader taught us some battle formations. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all and a superb learning experience for Prep 3!





STEM Club - Detectives

STEM Club is back and the children have used their little grey cells to become super sleuths solving a real life 'whodunit'. Last week they investigated chromatography, but little did they know, they would need to use their skills and knowledge to work out who had knocked the stuffing out of Miss Dunmall's teddy and threatened to take out 'The Duck' next.

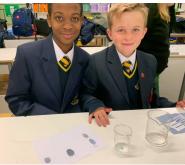
There were three suspects, Kris and Ben from the Sixth Form and pillar of the community Mr Joyce-O'Keeffe! With the help of other Sixth Form scientists, our young forensic crime scene investigators took sample snippets from the culprit's sinister note and then samples from the suspects' pens. They used their chromatography technique to work out which pen had been



used to write the note. Then, to make sure their suspicions were correct, they took fingerprints and compared them to one left at the scene.

They discovered that it was Ben from the Sixth Form! His Sixth Form peers escorted him out. The children had a fantastic time solving the crime. Thank you to Miss Dunmall, Mrs Michael and the Sixth Form STEM Ambassadors for creating such a wonderful learning experience for our young scientists.







HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Reception - Cassandra & Billy Prep 3 - Jysiah

Football News

St Bede's girls' football team played their third round of games in the Manchester League on Wednesday 20 November. They played a total of seven competitive matches against neighbouring schools such as St John's and Old Moat Primary.

It has been a valuable experience for a team made up of mainly Prep 5's and the girls still have one round of fixtures to

play.

Although it was a very enjoyable experience Grace suffered a fractured arm and must receive a special mention for how brave she was!

We all hope she makes a speedy recovery!



HOUSE POINT WINNERS



STARS OF WEEK



CLASS OF THE WEEK - Prep 2

Notices 26 November - Prep 2 Chester Zoo Trip 28 November - Prep 1 Parent Meet and Greet, Parent Café at 3pm, Please confirm your attendance with Prep Office 29 November - Nasal Flu Vaccinations (Reception – Prep 6) for those children whose parents have given consent via the previous emailed link 30 November - St Bede's Christmas Fair

