

18 September 2020

## Welcome



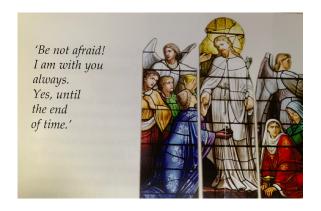
I trust everyone found the Tutor Evening a useful occasion and an opportunity to meet their child's tutor.

The weather has been fantastic this week and all our

pupils have had plenty of time to relax in the playground with their friends. It is great to hear so much laughter and talking around the buildings.

The Headteacher's Lawn has also proved popular for dance and music, but the highlight of the week was when our Upper Third said the Hail Mary through sign language.

#### Mrs S Pike Headteacher





## **Parking Issues**

Please can we remind all parents that there is no parking at the front of the College, even if you are dropping pupils off. Parking very close to side roads is also very dangerous as it creates difficulty for cars to enter Alexandra Road.

Please be considerate and value the safety of all our pupils. Thank you for your help and understanding.



## Senior College

### **Economic Horizons Masterclass**

On Monday our Lower SIxth and Upper Sixth students were treated to an Economic Horizons webinar from Deloittes Chief Economist and the CEO of Deloittes Europe who gave their assessment of the UK Economy and Business opportunities/threats in the wake of the COVID pandemic.

They explored a range of markets and how their strategies may need to be adapted as the world and customer needs have changed so drastically, which was perfectly timed as Upper Sixth students are currently considering strategy and the global environment.

For Lower Sixth students it began the conversation about both micro and macro economics in a real world context as well as considering the impact on finance, marketing and human resource issues, all of which will be studied by Business students.

It was definitely a lunchtime well spent for those students looking to develop their skills of analysis and evaluation as we draw closer to the exams.

#### Mrs Corbett

### **Deloitte Economics Webinair**

On Monday 14 September Sixth-Form Business and Economics students attended a virtual webinar hosted by Deloittes Chief Economist Ian Stewart, talking about the economic climate of 2020 and its impact on businesses. The main issues discussed was COVID-19, the uncertainty surrounding the Brexit trade deal and the US elections in November.

It was very informative one hour session which gave us the necessary context of the economic and business environment which will we will need to apply in our exams. Since we are admist the worst economic downturn for the UK in 300 years it is vital for business and economics students to keep up with current affairs. Possible solutions we discussed were looking for new business opportunities created by the pandemic (eg. Selling PPE) and transforming business operations by making supply chains more flexible and normalising home-working and flexi- working.

"I think the virtual workshop gave us an in-depth insight into the risks that business face with the current uncertainty and how they can overcome economic challenges to survive"

Nerea B, U6 Business student

#### Inzinga S-A



### College Uniform Shop

Please note the school shop hours from 21 September will be

MON 12:30pm-4:30pm

TUES Closed

WED 12:30pm-4:30pm

**THURS Closed** 

FRI 12:30pm-4:30pm

SAT Closed SUN Closed

Visit the website for further information

https://www.sbcm.co.uk/admissions/useful-information/





### Congratulations Theo

Congratulations to Alumni Theo Sharrock who was installed as an Acolyte at the parish of St Thomas of Canterbury, Bolton, where he is currently on placement. The Bishop of Salford +John Arnold celebrated the mass on 10 September during which Theo was installed. This

is one of the small stages before priestly ordination and which should have happened at the end of the year in Rome. Mrs Hibbert, College Chaplain was able to be present on behalf of the College Community.



### Theme of the Week

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## Humility

"The last will be first, and the first, last."
(Matthew 20:16)



#### Challenge:

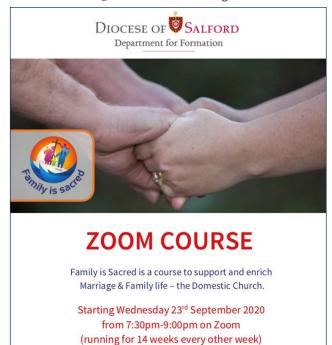
Find a way this week to practise humility.
Make yourself last and someone else first.
Let people go ahead of you in a queue at lunch.
Hold the door for them, allow them to pass you.
Help at home by tidying up after a meal.
Do a random act of kindness and take no credit it and see how it makes you feel.

#### Prayer:

Lord, you took the lowest and last place on earth when you died on the cross, so that we might be a part of your kingdom. Thank you for your great sacrifice and your great generosity to us. Help me to receive your love and put others first. Amen.

### Family is Sacred

Parents are welcome to join the 'Family is Sacred' zoom course, with College Chaplain Mrs Hibbert for the Department of Formation, Diocese of Salford. It is a course to support married life and the family. Please email formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk





### Sixth Form Open Evening

It is our Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday 24 September from 6.00 - 8.00pm. Upper Fifth pupils please ensure you have chosen your option choices and you will then be sent a series of hyperlinks, early next week, confirming your appointment times for your A level subject presentations.

If you would like to join this event please contact admissions@stbedescollege.co.uk or book a place on our website - https://www.sbcm.co.uk/admissions/registration-form-24-september-2020/



### **Upper Third Welcome**

Pupils in the U3 have spent time in the Chapel this week focussing on their individuality and uniqueness. Although they haven't been able to celebrate the 'Welcome Mass', they are working on projects with Mrs Hibbert, College Chaplain, to formally welcome them into College life. Watch this space!









## **Covid-19 - Protecting Our Pupils**

We continue to take as many precautions as possible to keep our pupils safe from lining up at tutor points in the morning and after breaks. Wearing masks as well as entering the College, in their restricted bubbles, using the one way system.





## **College Courtyard**

Our Upper Fourth and Lower Fifth pupils were certainly making the most of our new facility on the College Courtyard outdoor surface this week!









## Wearing Our Colours For Zimbabwe Bridge

On Friday 25 September The Sixth form and I will be working to raise money to build a Bridge in Murewa Rural District which is located in North East Zimbabwe. The way in which we have chosen to raise money is to come into college wearing colours of the Zimbabwean flag. Each student that contributes will bring in at least £2 which will go towards paying for the materials to construct the bridge.

Raising money for this bridge is personal to my family and I, as the Murewa Rural District is where my mother and her siblings grew up. My brother (who is a St Bedes College alumni) and I also frequently visit the Murewa Rural District when we are in Zimbabwe and consider it a second home. My mother is a coordinator on the project and is working with the local council to construct a bridge between all of the aforementioned villages and the wider context of North East Zimbabwe including the capital city, Harare. The bridge was approved officially by nine village heads.



The reason that it is essential that we build the bridge is that Villages such as Gaura, Masaraure, Zhakata, Mavhunga, Zuva and Takawira desperately need to access services across the river such as Zengenene Secondary and Primary School, Dombotsvuku Secondary and Primary School, Dombotsvuku Clinic and Musami Hospital. There has unfortunately been a number of tragedies at the river where the bridge needs to be built. Currently there is a makeshift bridge that is not safe for people to cross however, it is all that the local residents have until we are able to build this bridge which will be secure and built from proper materials allowing people to cross safely.

During the monsoon season it is almost impossible for people to cross especially when it floods, which is frequent in the monsoon season; this caused a large amount of problems. School children from the surrounding villages find it difficult to cross the bridge to get to school. Mr Tafirenyika from Gaura village who has a daughter named Chipo who is in year three found it difficult to send his child to school during the rainy season. When the river floods his daughter Chipo and other children tend to miss out on school throughout the rainy season and this affects their education. He also has to pay school fees for the terms Chipo does not attend school. Mr Tafirenyika is greatly welcoming the building of the bridge so that his daughter will cross the river safely and will not miss out on school. Currently it is hard for people to be able to access to health facilities and the bridge would be able to connect people to hospitals. A pregnant villager was unable to cross the flooded river to give birth at the hospital. She gave birth to twins who sadly passed away due to lack of medical attention. A number of dreadful incidents have occurred where a number of villagers were washed away and drowned while trying to cross the flooded river. A primary school student also drowned whilst trying to cross the flooded river on the way to school.

The construction of this bridge would drastically decrease the chances of more tragedies to repeat by providing a new secure way for the residents of the surrounding villages to cross the river especially during the monsoon season which is when the bridge tends to flood. The fundraising event which the Sixth form is participating in will help improve lives for the people in the Murewa Rural District.

#### Mazvita Zhou







### **Creative Learning**

The children have been busy taking part in some fantastic activities this week; In Reception Class they have been painting self-portraits; Prep 6 have created 'self-portraits in words', painted in the style of Spanish superstar Pablo Picasso and created work inspired by a reflection poem. Prep 1 have continued with their dinosaur discovery experiences and Prep 5 have started their STEM Engineering by investigating ways to calculate the size of craters and mountains on the Moon by measuring shadows cast by mountains created with 'Play-Doh'. The whole school has really enjoyed the work they have been doing in Spanish. Mrs Leydon has had the Prep 1 and Prep 2 children dancing to their new favourite song; Muy Bien!

### Vacancy Lunch Time Supervisor



#### **LUNCH TIME SUPERVISOR**

#### **REQUIRED IMMEDIATELY**

St Bede's College is a leading Catholic Independent Co-educational Grammar School in Manchester. Our aim is to inspire excellence and instil values is every aspect of Collegelife so that all our pupils become well-rounded and capable individuals.

St. Bede's College Prep requires a Lunchtime Supervisor to work 5 days a week from 11.45-1.15pm.

Please complete and return an application form to be considered application forms can be downloaded from the Vacancies section of the St Bede's College website (https://www.sbcm.co.uk/st-bedes-the-place-to-be/yacancies/). All candidates will be required to provide three referees (in the case of Catholic applicants one of whom must be a Parish Priest). Further details of the post can be obtained from the HR Manager coxiev@stbedescolleac.co.uk

Closing date: Required immediately

St Bede's College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and applicants must be willing undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and completing an









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## Class of the Week - Prep 2



PREP 6 **ISABELLE**PREP 6 **ZARA** 







No notices this week!



# House Point Winners & Stars of the Week





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