



ST. BEDE'S COLLEGE

Bede's News

28 May 2021

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE



Thank you to everyone who has contributed to a busy half term. There have been many highlights this week, but our St Bede's Feast Day and the netball champions celebrations are my stand outs! Enjoy your half term break.

Mrs S Pike
Headteacher


Feast of St Bede

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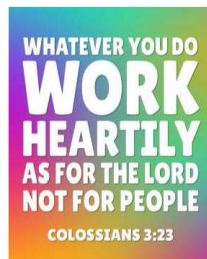
"Go and make disciples of all nations." (Matthew 28:19)



Numquam Otio Torpebat

Challenge
This week we celebrate the Feast of St Bede. Let us draw upon his example to dedicate ourselves to God and to the work that God has placed before us. Let us offer all of our work this week to the glory of God.

Prayer
O Christ our morning star, splendour of light eternal, shining with the glory of the rainbow, come and awaken us from the greyness of our apathy and renew in us your gift of hope. Amen.





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Feast Day of St Bede

On Tuesday we celebrated the Feast of St Bede in style, as the whole College 3-18 assembled in the College playground to enjoy a short service led by Bedian Deacon David Irwin. The service superbly choreographed by our Chaplain Mrs Hibbert involved several readings from our Senior Prefects and the Head boy and Head girl from the Prep. This was followed by Deacon David blessing the whole congregation, a group at a time, with the Blessed Sacrament.

At break time there was further chance for celebration as there were beautifully crafted cupcakes for all our pupils to enjoy and a wonderful way for the children to remember that the feast of St Bede is a special date in our College calendar.

Deacon David was at St Bede's from 2001-2006 and has studied at the English College in Rome and he is now moving to the Archdiocese of Tuam in Ireland. He will initially be at the parish and shrine at Knock, Co. Mayo and then to the parish in Athenry, Co. Galway. We wish him well and thank him very much for helping us celebrate our feast day.

Mrs Hibbert



Champions !

Following a year of lockdown, it was uncertain when competitive sport would return. However, return in style it did, on Tuesday 25 May the Senior netball team travelled to Bromsgrove School for the Sister n Sport Final from 2020. For the final we were able to bring back the seniors that left the college in 2020.

The final was played on outdoor courts against Samuel Whitbread Academy. The girls started extremely well, turning their centre pass and converting to score, the strong start continued which led Bede's to a 5 - 0 score line after the first five minutes, some great centre pass to goal work from our attacking end, ended in us winning the 1st quarter 11-5. No changes to the team for the second quarter, Bede's continue to dominate the game with some outstanding play. When we did turn over the ball we needed to look after it more and take it to goal. We did just that and finished the half 32 goals to 10. Changes were made for the 3rd quarter with Riley coming on into the WD position and the very talented Harriet and Savannah moving into defence, we turned a lot of their centre passes and took charge of the 3rd quarter with the score ending 47-11.



The girls relaxed more in the last quarter and managed to show some lovely through court play from defence to attack. Aoife was on fire in the shooting circle and hardly missed many shots all game and was rightly given player of the match by the organisers. The girls finished the final in style with a 60-13 victory. This was a great way for some of the girls to finish their time at St Bede's, they worked hard throughout the 2020 season, qualifying for the regional netball finals and winning the county tournament. Well done to the following girls:
Emily K, Harriet W, Grace W, Keisha McI, Gabby L, Savannah D, Aoife L, Riley B, Lucy H, Grace L and Freya F.

Miss Sharp

Music Success!

Congratulations to Sixth Formers Freya and Ted on both achieving a Distinction in their Grade 8 vocal exams. Well done both of you, we are really proud of you. Good Luck to those also taking music exams later in June.

Miss Smith



Kate Greenaway Medal

The Library and the English Department have teamed up to offer Upper Third and Lower Fourth pupils chance to develop their visual literacy by looking at the 8 books shortlisted for the prestigious Kate Greenaway Medal. The medal is awarded annually for an outstanding book in terms of illustration for children and young people.

Just like the national judges, pupils have been examining the books, looking at artistic style, visual representation, format and synergy of text and illustration. At the end of each session, after some lively debate, pupils have voted on their favourite illustrated book. Watch this space for the St Bede's winner and the national winner, both of which will be announced in June.

Mrs Poolton & Mrs Boylan

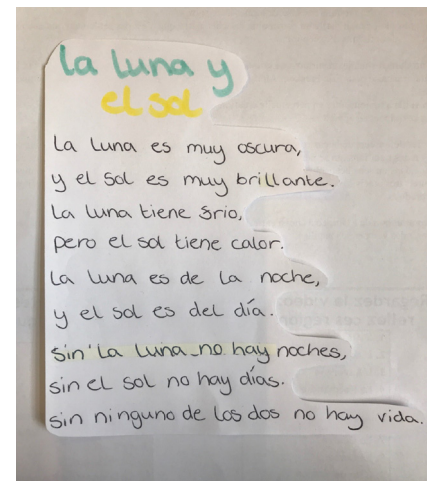
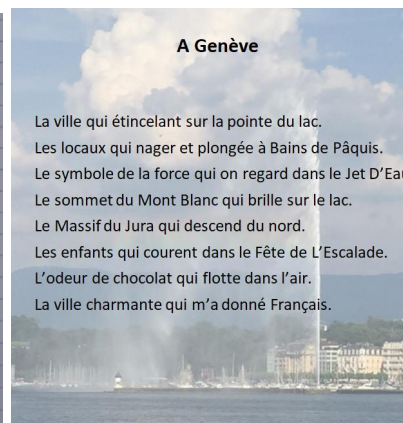
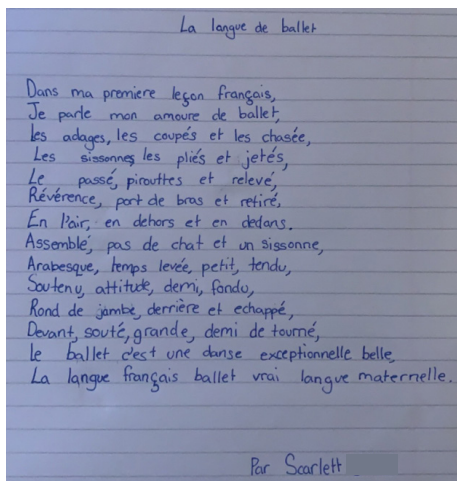


Mother Tongue, Other Tongue

Mother Tongue Other Tongue is a competition open to pupils aged between 8 and 18. Mother Tongue asks pupils, who do not have English as a first language, to write a creative poem or song in their native language, while Other Tongue asks pupils to create an original poem in a second language they are learning at school (French, German, Spanish, Italian, Arabic, Urdu and Mandarin).

This year we had some wonderful entries from the following pupils: Poppy W(U3), Scarlett G (U3) Daniel W (U3), Elsie H (L4), Miren VR (L4), Joy M (U4), Benat M (U4), Dara S (U4) and Freya F(U6)

Mr Gerardo



Stationery Shop


Our team of Pupil Library Assistants have been working hard to re-launch our new stationery shop. It is located just inside the Library doors and stocks a range of products including pens, pencils, highlighters, post-it notes and clear pencil cases. They are competitively priced and should help pupils equip themselves for their studies and end of year exams.

The shop is open whenever the Library is open and takes cash. The team are looking forward to serving their customers!

Mrs Poolton



Price List	
Pens (Black or Blue)	50p
Erasable Rollerball Pens (Black or Blue)	£1.75
Pencils	50p
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Rulers (30cm)	80p
Highlighters (various colours)	50p
Erasers	30p
Pencil Sharpeners	30p
Geometry sets	£1.00
Fine Liner Pens (Pack of 10)	£2.00
Post-it Notes	75p
Revision/Flash Cards (Pack of 100)	£2.50
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Do you need stationery?
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Come on down to the Library stationery shop. It has everything that you might need for work and revision:

- Pens and pencils
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- Geometry sets
- Highlighters

and more!



Open whenever the Library is open!

Wonderful Workshop

Our talented dancers had the opportunity to take part in a number of workshops last Friday. Thanks to The Lowry's Centre for Advanced Training, we were treated to sessions with professional contemporary dancer Sophie Moore. As a Manchester girl, she danced at school, taking GCSE and A Level Dance before graduating from Trinity Laban Conservatoire with a First Class degree.

The day started with a technique class for our Upper Fourth dancers, focussing on key skills such as balance and coordination and encouraging them to use feedback to continually improve. They were then inspired to create a small solo piece inspired by different action words before showcasing their work in a final performance.

Our Upper Third dance club were second to join, learning some of the basics of Cunningham contemporary technique, followed by a choreography workshop where they created beautiful work inspired by their own names.

After a lunchtime of rehearsing for our upcoming showcase, our GCSE and A Level dancers had a challenging technique class involving some very tricky balances and tilts. They then worked to create short pieces inspired by Royal Ballet choreographer (and one of Mrs Barber's favourites-a fellow Stopfordian!) Wayne McGregor. Sophie was extremely impressed with the quality and originality of their work! We then had a question and answer session with Sophie, with her giving our aspiring performers useful advice on the best places to train and how to look after themselves whilst dancing. Sophie not only dances with professional dance companies, but also teaches on The Lowry CAT scheme, where gifted dancers can further their training in contemporary dance. There are also lots of opportunities for students on this scheme to work with professional companies and see shows for free!

If you are interested in possibly auditioning for the scheme (a GREAT addition to your dance training at school), then there is a digital open day you can attend, free of price. Contact Mrs Barber for more details, or google Lowry CAT.

Mrs Barber



Athletics Festival

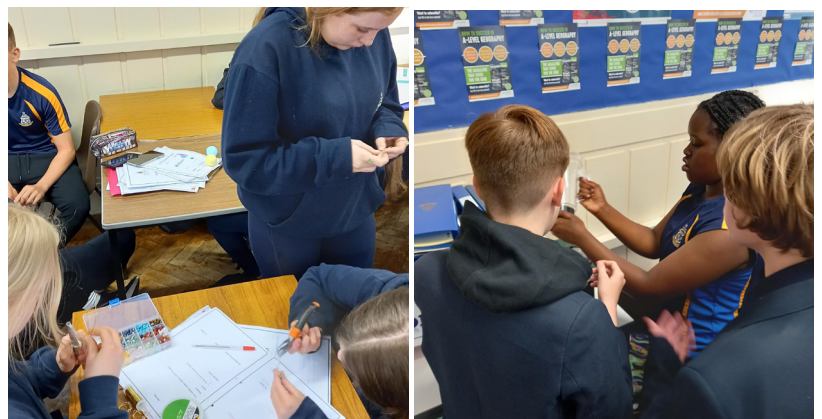
Another Friday brought another opportunity for the pupils to return to the real world, as the Lower Fifth hopped on the coach to go to sports city to participate in the Manchester Schools Athletics' festival. Again, we had a very positive reaction from the pupils even those running the longer more daunting race 1500m. There were athletes in every event and a lovely camaraderie between the St Bede's contingent and all the other schools. It really was lovely to see pupils from other schools cheering and supporting pupils. No negativity at all, I suppose that is one positive from an awful Pandemic experience. The Bede's pupils, again exemplary in their behaviour, were also fantastic competitors. We had podium places in lots of the events, but special mention to Riley 2nd in 1500m, Sarah 2nd in 100m and high jump, Jon Ander 1st in 1500m and Qais 2nd in shot put. Watch this space for the U12 and U13 festivals coming up after half term.

N McCormick
Teacher of PE



Upper Fourth Enterprise Competition

Upper Fourth Enterprise continues apace with all teams actively working on their marketing and operations to build their sales. All the students are actively engaged with purchasing, making, selling and distributing their products. It has been a steep but enjoyable learning curve!!
'It's been fun to do something practical and put into practise what we have learned this year' said CEO Dara.
Now the planning is starting for next half term where the teams continue to trade until 25 June.



Team of the week
Congratulations again to CMJ who have sold £427 worth of stock this week which is a fantastic achievement.

Mrs Corbett

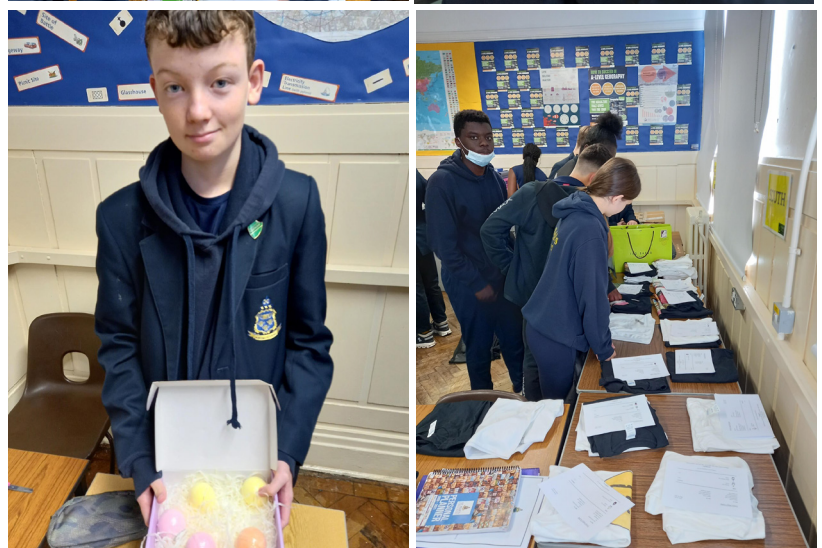
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HOUSE STARS OF THE WEEK!



FREYA
SIENA HOUSE

This week, Freya only went and achieved a distinction in her Grade 8 Singing Exam—this will go nicely in a frame next to the Grade 8 Flute Certificate she received earlier this year. Well done Freya!

KUSIVA
CAMPION HOUSE



Audrey
BOSCO HOUSE



Not only has she worked incredibly hard on her own choreography and performance piece, but also stepped in at the very last minute to help an injured dancer by learning her choreography in one afternoon!



If ever a student deserved recognition, it is this one! Kusiva works so hard learning to play the Flute, she practices efficiently, she is always in college early and is coming on in leaps and bounds.

WILLIAM
MAGDALENE HOUSE



This lad is showing real promise as a budding young drummer and he has been chosen because of his excellent commitment to his studies in class.

A Davies 2021



Mother Tongue, Other Tongue

The Prep were delighted to take part in this year's Mother Tongue, Other Tongue project. At St. Bede's Prep, we celebrate the rich and varied cultural and linguistic backgrounds of our children.

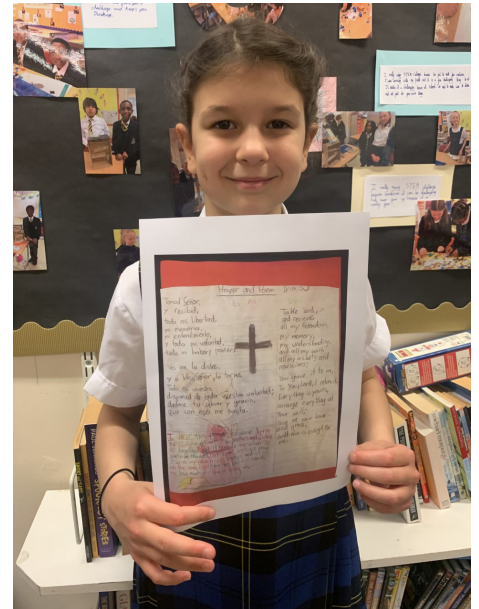
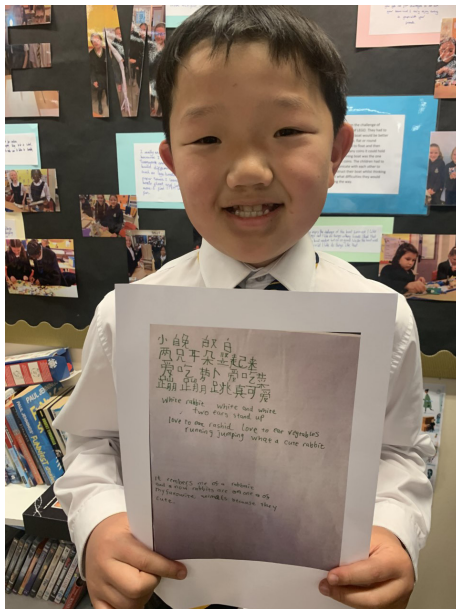
It is always a delight to see the children enjoying their foreign language lessons, but it is also a privilege to see them sharing their own cultural stories and songs. We love to celebrate this diversity in the Prep.

This year, Iria in Prep 5 and Gaoxing in Prep 6 delighted us with their poems in their mother tongues. Iria chose a Spanish prayer that held special meaning for her. She translated it and explained how it reminded her of her family's love for her and her happy times in Madrid.

Gaoxing chose a poem in Mandarin about a rabbit. He translated this and explained how much he loves rabbits and how this makes him smile.

We are also very proud of Francesca in Prep 5 who entered a humorous poem about food in the Other Tongue part of the competition. Beautifully presented and decorated, she proudly showed off her skills in Spanish and her wonderful sense of humour.

Well done to all the children – we are extremely proud of them all.



Litter Picking

The children in Prep 4 wanted to do something about the litter around school. The children suggested a litter picking club so with help from Mrs Benson, we contacted Rachel at Manchester City Council who kindly dropped off some litter picking equipment. They have started to collect litter at break times, on a rota and will soon be going around the perimeter of school to keep our community clean and tidy too. A big thank you to Olivia in Prep 4 who has been so passionate about this topic and came up with the idea of starting the club.



Rounders Festival

The Girls' Rounders' Teams from Prep 6 and Prep 5 were so happy to be taking part in competitive matches for the first time in over a year. The two teams (Blue & Yellow) competed in a friendly rounders festival, held at our Brantingham Road Sports Field.

There was lots of excitement after such a long time with no fixtures. Both teams played against St. Mary's Levenshulme and Benchill school. Broadoak arrived late so only the yellow team played them whilst the Blue Team had an extra practice.



Against St. Mary's Blue Team lost narrowly by 1/2 rounder. There were some great hits with several players scoring half rounders and Lucy and Carey scoring full rounders. It was a pity we played St. Mary's first as it took us a little while to get into a rhythm for fielding. The fielding was much improved for the second game and we beat Benchill by 1 rounder. Again, several players hit the ball well and scored half rounders, with Zara scoring a full rounder. It was so pleasing to see the progress made in one evening. There was some confusion at one stage in the match but the girls now understand the difference between rules and tactics which can only be gained through competitive experiences.

The yellow team got off to a great start, beating Benchill 8-6 with several players scoring half rounders. The second game v St. Mary's was tough as they had some great hitters. The team narrowly lost against Broadoak. In all matches there was great improvement in batting and fielding. The three Francesca's hit the ball very well. There was also some very impressive fielding from Francesca H.

In all it was a fantastic afternoon of sport which the girls thoroughly enjoyed.



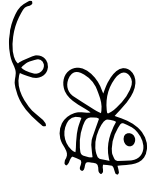
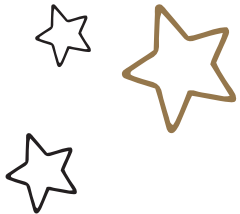
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*Housepoint Winners & Stars of the Week
Nursery & Reception*



Housepoint Winners and Stars of the Week - Prep 5 & 6



Housepoint Winners and Stars of the Week - Prep 3 & 4 Prep 1 & 2



Class of the Week - Prep 4

Maternity Leave

Sending lots of love to our Prep 2 teacher Miss Roberts who commences maternity leave today.



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WISH YOU
A VERY
HAPPY
BIRTHDAY



RECEPTION **ONA**
PREP 1 **OLIVIA**
PREP 1 **SASKIA**
PREP 1 **THOMAS**
PREP 3 **PAOLO**
PREP 4 **KATELYNNE**
PREP 6 **MAISIE**

Notices

We return to school on Monday 7 June.

