

BEDE'S NEWS

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A Welcome From Mrs Pike

There has been a real buzz at St Bede's this week. Our pupils have been fantastic, everyone looks smart and has been keen to do well. Last night the Welcome Mass for the Upper Third was an uplifting celebration.

We are so pleased to see how well everyone has settled back into College life this term. We look forward to seeing pupils and parents of the Upper Third to Upper Fifth at the Tutor Evening on Thursday 20 September from 5pm.



Welcome Mass

Last night we were joined by our new Upper Third pupils and their parents for a celebratory welcome Mass, as they begin their journey through the College. The Academic Hall was full to capacity for what was a lovely, happy occasion.

The College was once again delighted to have Bedian Father Michael Deas as celebrant for the Upper Third Mass. He spoke warmly about his days at the College in his homily and extolled the virtues of playing left back for the College football team!

Once again Mr Davies had worked miracles in only one week to produce such a fantastic sound for the hymns and parents were especially delighted by the energetic rendition of 'We want to see Jesus lifted high'. The readers were wonderfully audible and amazingly polished, making it an evening to remenber. Mrs Pike spoke warmly to the parents and encouraged the new Upper Third pupils to take advantage of the many opportunities that will be available to them in the College.







Annual Open Evening Thursday 4 October 2018 6.30pm - 9.00pm

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Bosco Means Business

Following the departure of Mr Wardell to Vietnam in the Summer, I am delighted to announce that Mrs Corbett has been appointed as Assistant Head of House for Bosco. As a teacher of Business Studies, Mrs Corbett brings a wide variety of skills – especially in co-ordinating fundraising and has lots of fantastic ideas in order that we can benefit the wider community and promote an excellent team spirit for our 'Boscoteers'.

Our chosen charity for this year will be Alzheimer's and Dementia awareness and we hope to raise funds to go towards research and also, to educate our pupils about the impact upon families of these conditions.

Bosco house will be also hosting the Macmillan Coffee morning on 28 September, as a house competition, so it's nearly time to dig out those baking trays! (More information to follow) We are looking forward, as are the other houses, to meeting our new starters and welcoming them

into our houses during assembly time on the 24 September. Please keep up to date with the College's weekly bulletins to see our upcoming house events.

Mr Davies







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Visitors From Down Under

We welcomed two staff from St Columba College in Adelaide, South Australia to St Bede's this



week. Vic Calleja works in the Junior Library at his school and was awarded a scholarship award to travel to Manchester and visit five leading primary and senior schools to look at Library provision.

Mr Calleja was accompanied by his wife, Maria who works in the Inclusive Education Department and St Bede's was first on their list!



Vic and Maria spent the day with Mrs Poolton and Mrs

Leyden experiencing life in the Maher and Prep libraries. They were particularly impressed with our team of pupil library assistants and will take this idea back to Australia with them. We look forward to our Book Club members sharing their favourite books with their Australian counterparts.

We are very grateful for the gifts of books about Australia for our libraries.



Please Be Considerate



This is a polite request to our parents in the College and Prep when dropping off and collecting their children at the beginning and end of the school day.

We kindly ask you to respect the local residents and please do not park across their driveway access so that they are not blocked in and unable to enter or leave their properties.

We understand there can be a lot of congestion at these peak times but your consideration for our neighbours would be very much appreciated. We understand that Civil Enforcement Officers will be operating during peak times.



Thank you.



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Focus For The Week

"The Yes Brain"

A positive outlook enables progress and success. Each week we are having a different quote to support our pupils so that they can achieve a "Yes Brain" mentality.

When children work from a "Yes Brain", they're more willing to take chances and explore. They're more curious and imaginative, less worried about making mistakes. They're better at relationships and more flexible and resilient when it comes to handling adversity and big feelings. A "Yes Brain" enables children to become more open, creative and resilient.

IT'S NOT ALWAYS THE PEOPLE WHO START OUT THE SMARTEST WHO END UP THE SMARTEST! UP THE SMARTEST!



BEDIAN ASSOCIATION We are looking for keen volunteers to join the Bedian Association.

The Bedian Association is made up of a group of committed parents, teachers and friends with a primary aim of raising funds for the benefit of all the pupils of St Bede's College.

We have lots of ideas for the Prep School this year so please take part in whatever way you are able. The Bedian Association are meeting on Monday 17th September at 4:30pm in the

Vaughan Library.

(enter via the College Reception) Alternatively, email lhorsefield@stbedescollege.co.uk to register your interest. **Thank you**



Bedian Alumni Lectures

Wednesday 19 Sept – Mark Heywood (1986-1993) Novelist, screenwriter and filmmaker.

"From business to screenwriting..."

Followed by a creative writing session open to all years - " an interactive workshop where you will get an insight into all the tools you need to map out your story, character and plot and then get started. Whether you've never written, or you've been writing for years, you will learn something from this session that can help take you story to a new level."

Wednesday 17 October – Michael O'Connor (1975 – 1982) Partner, Addleshaw Goddard

"From St Bede's to St Peter's..."

Mike lives in Higher Whitley, Cheshire. He studied Classics at Durham University. He qualified as a lawyer in 1989 and he has been a partner in international law firm Addleshaw Goddard since 1996 where he leads the Infrastructure Projects and Energy team. Mike specialises in health transactions for the NHS advising at board level, infrastructure projects particularly in the transport and regeneration sections.

Mike has a wide range of non-executive expertise in public services including Willow Park Housing Association, the Factory Youth Zone Harpurhey and Festival Medical Services. Mike is married with two teenage daughters and his interests include Glastonbury, playing bass guitar in the Mandrills and sailing.

Wednesday 28 November – Simon Baxter (1991 – 1998), Soil Engineering

"Geology to Business Development & Marketing, involving along the way geology, witchcraft, economics and performance art"







BEDE'S NEWS PREP SCHOOL

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Welcome Back

We were delighted to welcome our pupils back last week and a very special welcome was extended to our new families and new members of staff. We have much to look forward to during Our autumn term including our new computing lessons with Technola, European Day of Languages and Health and Well Being Day. We have had prospective pupils and their families visiting school this week and they commented on the "happy and calm" environment that they saw when touring the Prep. I look forward to catching up with parents over coffee at the Bedian Association meeting on Monday in the Parent Café at 4:30pm. Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!



Prep 6 Marist Centre

Prep 6 enjoyed our first school trip of the year last Thursday when we went for a day of reflection at the Marist Centre.

The theme of the day was 'Responsibility' and the activities encouraged the pupils to consider why they need to be responsible now that they are in Prep 6 and how they can show or develop this virtue. Now they are the most senior pupils in the Prep school, Prep 6 realise the importance of setting a good example to our younger children.

All pupils participated with enthusiasm in the tasks set, designing posters, writing prayers, and dressing up to demonstrate examples of responsible behaviour through role play. We particularly enjoyed the pupils' astuteness in impersonating Mrs Hunt and Mr Joyce-O'Keeffe!

Mrs Cartmell, Mrs Harrison and the Marist sisters were delighted with the pupils' commitment throughout the day and their reverence and respectful behaviour during the final service. A thoroughly enjoyable, spiritual time was had by all. Prep 6 have certainly started the year as they mean to go on!







Josh At The Mic

Prep 5 pupil Joshua spent his Saturday morning at the BBC. Joshua was there with his father who was interviewed by the Weekend Breakfast Team about his role as a doctor and sports specialist with Sport England. Joshua had a fantastic morning at the BBC in Media City and was able to get autographs and selfies with regular presenters Mike Bushell, Sally Nugent & Ben Thompson. Joshua looks like a natural presenter in front of the mic. A career in media may follow...





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Squad Selected For The Academic Year 2018-19

The Chapel was buzzing with excited enthusiasm during the first whole school assembly of this academic year. An air of nervous excitement emanated from Prep 6. Their roles and responsibilities was about to be announced. The most prestigious honour was the first to be revealed, that of Head Boy and Head Girl.

The whole school were pleased to hear the names of Liam & Darcey called out by Mrs Hunt. They will be ably assisted by their deputies Michael and Francesca. Next up were Sports Captains and Vice Captains with Darcey, Solomon, Faith and Maksy respectively.



Charles and Alice have been awarded the Roles of Student Council

Leaders while Miren, Elsie, Keane and Ellie have succeeded in receiving the responsibility of House Captains. Charlene and Olivia are going to assist Mrs Leydon as Prep Librarians with the rest of Prep 6 taking on the roles as class prefects for Reception to Prep 5.

Congratulations all children in Prep 6. The roles and responsibilities which have been bestowed on you all will help you to



develop and mature as leaders of the PREP and Prepare you for your life in the College.

Gymnastic Jacinta



Prep 6 gymnast Jacinta is ready to follow in the footsteps of gymnastic greats such as Svetlana Khorkina, Ragan Smith and Amy Tinkler with her fantastic routines on the floor in rhythmic gymnastics. On July 14, Jacinta attended the "Phil Tighe Artistic Gymnastics Competition" in Wigan. There were thirty-two girls competing and Jacinta won the Gold medal for her Irish Dancing inspired floor routine, a phenomenal achievement.

Then only last weekend Jacinta battled against a tummy-bug to take part in the "North West Team Challenge" where 35 teams were competing, with Jacinta and her team winning a Silver medal. The disciplines she took part were The Floor, Beam, Bars and the Vault. It is such a pleasure to see what our talented children achieve outside of school. If Jacinta continues with her outstanding gymnastic talent we may see her representing Team GB at the 2024 Olympic Games in Lima, Peru. Keep it up Jacinta!





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Prep 4 : Sam Prep 5 : Angelina

CLASS OF THE WEEK - Prep 1



STARS OF THE WEEK



HOUSE POINT WINNERS



Notices

There are no notices this week.

BEDE'S SIXTH FORM NEWS

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The Sixth Form View Jess & Fliss

Fliss

I am currently in my last year of St Bede's. Since starting in year seven, I have loved every minute, from participating in sports teams to being able to explore my creative side in the art department and now I am fortunate enough to be able to start writing for Bede's Sixth Form News.

Jess

When I joined St Bede's in Year 12, my ideas for the future were vague to say the least. I knew I wanted to write but I was unsure of the medium. A year later, I have a clear view of my aspirations for the future. Journalism will hopefully be a significant part of this with other ventures, such as screenwriting.

I am currently studying A level English Literature, History and Classical Civilisation with short courses in creative writing and film outside of school in order to pursue these ambitions. For any new Sixth Form students and those moving up from the College, you have a lot to look forward to in the coming year. Lower Sixth is a big step up from Year 11 but the work you put in, will definitely be worth it in the long run.



Welcome

As a new year begins, we are looking forward to the upcoming events in the Sixth Form, from the Pink Day charity event to the sporting fixtures. Debating competitions are expected to return as well as the tense Fifa Football competition, which last year raised over £400 for the Moss Side St Vincent's homelessness charity. The charity committee have been preparing various other fundraising ideas.

On the theatrical side of things, Hairspray rehearsals are well under way as the show nears. The College is also going to be welcoming Bedian Alumni who have been kind enough to give talks on their fields of expertise and help students gain insight to their careers. Some guest speakers will be offering specific lessons, which some students will be able to attend. For example, Mark Heywood will be offering a detailed talk on the art of screenwriting. Magdalene House 'Mooch with a Pooch' returns, where dog owners can enjoy a five kilometre walk with their canine pets. The future politicians of St Bede's will also participate in the Model United Nations group.

Meanwhile, whilst Lower Sixth students are settling in nicely to the Sixth Form, the Upper Sixth Students are getting ready to start personal statement drafts and start their journeys to University. Fliss

The first week at a new school is always the most interesting, yet somewhat daunting. New classes to get used to, new people to get to know, Every new student has their own challenges to face. So I sat

down with Tico who joined the Lower Sixth just a week ago, to gain an insight into his experience at St Bede's so far.

"When I was looking at Sixth Forms, Bede's instantly caught my eye because of how formal it looked online." he then added that, "the uniforms are my favourite part, a lot of people like that freedom to wear what they like, but the sophistication it brings to the College stands out and gets you in the right mindset for working hard." I was curious to hear how his experience had been so far, he replied; "Everyone has been so welcoming. I made a couple friends who showed me around on my first day and my form group has been great to me." He also mentioned that Bede's has a variety of extracurricular activities on offer even for people who aren't sporty.

"I'm currently working with the charity committee organising all sorts of events, not just for Sixth Form, but the rest of the college as well. It feels good to give back to the community." Finally, I asked about his aspirations for the future. "I'm fascinated by Marine Biology and I also think Dentistry or Nursing would be interesting. But I'm going to take it one step at a time."

From talking to Tico I realised that the first year lays the groundwork for your performance at A level. Therefore, I wish all of the Lower Sixth the best of luck for their future here.