



The Headmaster's Review of the Week

Dear Bedian Family,

As I write to you with my first review of the week for this new term, I hope that all members of our community are keeping safe and well.

The current pandemic continues to generate a huge number of challenges for a great many of us and it continues to be a source of inspiration to me personally to witness our proud family come together in mutual support. I would encourage all of us to keep praying for those who are ill, anxious, grieving or displaced at this difficult time and for those who are placing their own safety at risk for the good of others. Let us continue to pray for each other and for the courage and graces which we need on a daily basis, now more than ever. Please also pray for the happy repose of the souls of those we have recently lost, whether they be known or unknown to us. May they rest in peace.

It is so important that we continue to spend some valuable time each day in spiritual reflection, and I have included an Easter prayer below for us to say in private or with our loved ones:

Good and gracious God,
Our most glorious Creator,
As we greet the signs in nature around us:
Of Spring once again regaling us in bloom,
In the songs of returning birds and fields soon to be planted,
We give you praise for an even greater sign of new life: the resurrection of your Son,
Our Lord Jesus Christ, that we especially celebrate at this time.
The sadness and despair of his death has given way to the bright promise of immortality.
For the Resurrection is our guarantee that justice will triumph over treason, Light will overcome darkness, and love will conquer death.
As we celebrate, we also dare to ask for your grace that we may live the promise given to us,

By imitating the life of Jesus in reaching out to the poor, the marginalized, the least among us,

As we strive to be neighbours to all those we meet,

We ask for your special blessings each and every day.

May we strive to make our school a beacon of hope in a world hungry for peace and so in need of your love.

We praise you in this Easter season. Change our lives, change our hearts to be messengers of Easter joy and hope.

We make our prayer through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord forever. Amen.

St Bede – pray for us.

As I come to the conclusion of my review, I would like to thank you all again for your outstanding support for myself and the wider College in recent times and I very much look forward to seeing you all again very soon.

Do please continue to stay in touch with my colleagues and me, and do not hesitate to contact us at any stage if you need our assistance or advice.

May God bless you all and we continue to keep all of the Bedian Family in our thoughts and prayers.

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Welcome Mr Woan

Mr Charlie Woan begins his role as the College's Assistant Head CFA at the beginning of this term. Mr Woan joins the Bedian Family from Wade Deacon High School where he progressed from a Newly Qualified Teacher (NQT) in 2002 to a Senior Leader in 2011 and will bring a breadth of knowledge, understanding and skills to St Bede's College.

Mr Woan is very familiar with the Academy Programme having led the Everton FC Academy pupils at Wade Deacon. He has worked with the likes of Everton's Tom Davies and Kieran Dowell and is relishing the opportunity to help and support the College's current CFA pupils. At interview, Mr Woan talked openly and honestly about his desire to support the Catholic ethos and values of the college and vowed to ensure that all pupils aim to be "the best version of themselves."

Mr Woan loves to travel and has coached at football camps in America during his University years and has experience of many ski and sports tours to Europe and USA in addition to a tour of schools in India with the British Council. Mr Woan, who also held the role of Educational Visits Coordinator at his previous school for many years explained that "School trips, visits and tours are so vital for the development of the whole child. School visits whether local or abroad provide long lasting memories and a greater understanding and awareness of cultures and the way people live their lives around the world."

With extensive senior leadership experience of public examinations, behaviour management, primary transition, the line management of academic subjects and having also presented at national conferences, Mr Woan will be able to provide us with a wealth exciting new ideas and guidance on systems leadership. Having led his previous school's successful application for the National SMSC Quality Mark Gold Award in 2019, Mr Woan added that "Mindfulness and physical and mental health are so important in the development of a person and the achievement of their goals. I want to be a fundamental part of supporting the excellent academic and pastoral provision which already takes place as St Bede's College.

The Cumbrian born father of two young children will undoubtedly be a popular and sociable member of staff and is also a Parent Governor at his children's primary school in Warrington. He is a supporter of Preston North End FC and St Helens RLFC and can in addition boast of being the Best Man at weddings on five occasions!

From everyone in the Bedian Family, we offer a warm welcome to Mr Woan and wish him all the best for the future.



Chaplaincy - Mrs Hibbert

Mrs Hibbert sent in these prayers for the whole College community.

We may be physically isolated, but not separated. We are united as the body of Christ.

For the Isolated

Father God, I have never felt so alone. I could never have imagined facing something like this on my own and I'm afraid. Please remind me that you are with me. Allow me to feel your presence. Remind me that, as your child, you have not given me a spirit of fear. Remind me that I can trust you with whatever may come. Amen

For Those Asking, "God Are You there?"

God, I've never really talked to you before. Would you help me to believe? If you're real, would you open my eyes and heart to you? Would you give me faith to believe in you and trust you? While I'm stuck at home, would you please guide me to online sources where I can learn more about you. I want to know you're real and I want to know the comfort that you give to your people. Amen

For Those Infected

Father God, I never imagined that I would get this virus. I trust you, but I confess I'm afraid of the unknown. You are the Great Physician, and so I pray for healing. Give me courage to face the day. Give me the self-discipline to rest while I'm recovering and the strength to fight to get well. Help me to praise you, even in this storm. Remind me that while I don't know what my future holds, I know who holds my future. Amen

For the Frustrated

Lord, I am so frustrated. I see people not taking this pandemic seriously. Help me with my attitude towards these people. Help me to hold my tongue on social media, to be a light and an encourager, not a slanderer. Remind me to pray for those who are causing frustration, not to be angry with them. Help me to be an example by following the guidelines set forth by our authorities. Amen

For Those Who Live in Fear

Father God, I need help. Please help me to calm down. Help me to stay focused on You. Help me to not be afraid. Please take this feeling from me and give me courage, strength, and an unwavering trust in You. Amen

For the Parent

Lord, what the world will look like for my children when this is over. Father, help me to trust you to keep my children safe from this virus. Please allow me to stay healthy so that I can take care of them. Help us to not grow weary of one another while we're home together. Help me to treasure this quality time and see it as a blessing not an irritation. Amen

For the Business Owners

Lord, give me wisdom as I make tough decisions. Please give me compassion as I have tough conversations with employees. Help me to be an example to them, to show them that I trust you to provide for us even in these dark times. Father, give us courage as we face uncertainties and above all, I pray I glorify you in my response to this crisis. Amen

For our Healthcare Workers

Father, I give you praise for keeping me going! Please, Lord, keep me safe. Keep me healthy so that I can continue caring for the sick. I ask that you protect all the healthcare workers. We need them to be healthy and available. I know that you are the great physician. You are the healer. I ask that you would put your healing hand on our patients. I ask that you would work through us to give them the best care possible. Give us strength when we are weak, endurance to push through the long hours, and words that offer hope and compassion to people who are sick and scared. Give us your grace so that we have no fear in our work and remind us to praise you in this storm. Amen

The following links might also be helpful for people who are struggling or need guidance with prayer:

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/primary-subscription/prayers-for-home/15-prayers/>



The Learned Linguist The Termly Magazine of the Languages and Literature Faculty

Welcome to the second edition of our new faculty magazine which celebrates all things linguistic and literary.

As I write, I am in my kitchen listening to my children playing as they take a break from their studies. Like all of you, I never imagined this would be the context for their schooling this term.

This issue we have decided to focus on some themes and ideas that may help fill your time during "lockdown". I hope you will enjoy reading this magazine and that you may be inspired to participate in some of the activities and competitions suggested or reviewed by our students.

Read more here: <https://www.sbcm.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Learned-linguist-2nd-edition.pdf>

Mrs Girolami



Sewing Scrubs!

Mrs Bolton has been busy sewing scrubs for NHS workers during the holidays. She was due to make costumes for the College's outdoor production of *The Tempest*, but as a result of the coronavirus lockdown she is now using her sewing skills to making scrubs. At the last count she had made 26 sets of scrubs - which is 56 garments in two weeks!

"Everyone has to do their bit for the country in the current circumstances, and this is the bit I can do"

Mrs Bolton.



Missing Bee?

We know you must be missing our Prep dog Bee!

Draw a picture of her and win a book token.

Upload your picture on our website here:

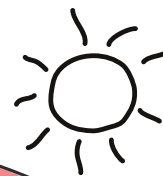
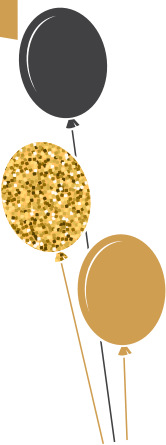
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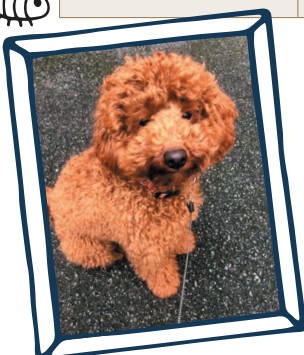


PREP 1 **SHAE**
PREP 2 **GEORGE**
PREP 3 **LUCIAN**
PREP 6 **LULU**



Prep Summer Term Timetable

DAY	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00 - 9.30	Joe Wicks PE	Joe Wicks PE	Joe Wicks PE	Joe Wicks PE	Joe Wicks PE
Morning Activity 1 (9.45 - 10.45)	MATHS	MATHS	MATHS	MATHS	MATHS
Morning Activity 2 (11 - 12)	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH
Afternoon Activity	SCIENCE	BUILDING THE KINGDOM	TOPIC	ART	MUSIC GOLDEN TIME



- Please note that this is a recommended timetable and timings are a guide for parents only
- Your child's class teacher will set the three activities for the day via email each morning and these may include attachments
- Separate homework activities will not be set, we recommend that pupils use the weekend to complete any of their weekly activities and enjoy a break from their studies



Pictures for the NHS by Emily

A massive congratulations to Emily in Prep 2 who, inspired by Captain Tom Moore's fabulous efforts to raise money for the NHS, decided she would use her artistic talent to draw pictures to raise funds for the brilliant NHS workers who are doing so much during the Coronavirus pandemic. Emily set herself a target of £100. As of 10:20am on Thursday 23 April, Emily has raised a whopping £315. That is amazing Emily well done. We are so proud of you in the Prep.

If you would like to help Emily raise even more much needed funds for our brave NHS workers here is the link to Emily's 'Just Giving' page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/claire-benson15>

