



Message From The Headteacher



Thank you for all of your support and words of encouragement this week.

I am pleased to see so many of our pupils develop new skills and also sharing their talents to help others.

Working together we have made every day count.

Enjoy your music, singing, sport, reading and cooking!

Keep safe and remember each other in your prayers.

Mrs S Pike

Headteacher



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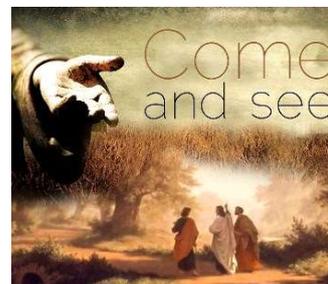
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The Lamb of God

“Look, there is the lamb of God.” (John 1:36)

John the Baptist shouts to his cousin “Look, there is the lamb of God”. It might be a strange thing to shout out, but when your cousin is Jesus it was actually prophetic, a powerful statement about Jesus’ future. The disciples began to follow Jesus because they knew he is the Messiah.



Lord Jesus, you are the lamb of God. Thank you that you came as a sacrifice to take away the sins of the world. Help us to be like the disciples who willingly followed you without hesitation. Amen.





Sing - Sing - Sing

Research has proven that singing promotes health and happiness. Everyone knows how much we enjoy music and performing at St Bede's.

If you would like to take part in singing each week join Miss Smith in the Choir on teams every Thursday 1.30-1.50pm. Students, please complete the survey sent by your form tutor or send Miss Smith a message on teams so she can add you to the team. Everyone U3-U6 is welcome.

Let's make some music!



Miss Smith

St Bede's Reads

During Advent and the Christmas holiday period, Upper Third and Lower Fourth pupils have been busily reading for St Bede's Reads, our annual sponsored read to raise money for Mary's Meals. If you are able, it is now time to donate any sponsor money to the charity using our Justgiving page

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stbedesreads

Mary's Meals helps some of the world's poorest children by providing meals in their places of education and it costs only £15.90 to feed a child for a whole year.

Let's help as many children as we can! Read more about the wonderful work of Mary's Meals at www.marysmeals.org.uk

Please contact Mrs Poolton with any queries (or to tell her which books you have enjoyed most!) kpoolton@stbedescollege.co.uk



#JogOntoLogOn

Can you help? Cahner U4Liv and his brother Ben want to support Divine Mercy Primary School in Moss Side, where their Great Aunt is the Headteacher.

Many of the pupils do not have tablets/laptops or computers to help them with remote learning. The boys think this is unfair and have decided to raise funds to buy some tablets, initially two, but hopefully more for the school.

The boys plan to run 120km during a two-week period and intend to keep a video diary to show their progress. They are hoping to get as much sponsorship as they can and have set up a Just Giving page here https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/walshbrothers?utm_term=4vXrmdpBD

Please sponsor them for this very worthy cause.

Good luck boys!

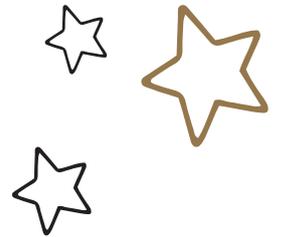




Headteacher's Commendations



U3 LEE	Scarlett G	English
L4 LVR	Aamina Z	Science
U3 WLS	Holly E	English



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Music Award



Congratulations to Solomon who has won a Silver Prize in London Young Musician Season Three for Performance Grade 6 in guitar.

Mr Davies

Great Bede's Cook Off

In the midst of their second lockdown, A Level students are embracing the new enrichment opportunities working from home presents. Currently students are taking part in 'the Great Bede's Cook off Competition', helping them gain some key skills looking ahead to their university years.

This week students are learning how to cook a sweet potato and chickpea curry as well as the potentially more popular chocolate chip cookies.

Next week we will be launching our amateur photography competition and with exercise challenges, introductory Japanese, guided meditation, and quizzes to follow, students will have a good variety of enrichment opportunities to help break up the computer based remote learning.



Lockdown Reading

Although it might be more difficult to get hold of physical books at the moment, there are still lots of opportunities to read and we hope that all our pupils will continue to enjoy reading.

The educational benefits of reading for pleasure are well documented but also remember that reading, even for a few minutes each day, can reduce anxiety and make you feel better. We can't physically travel to other places but a book can always transport you to a different time and place!

We have a growing selection of ebooks to read online (on a phone, PC or tablet) including our featured Book of the Week, *The Graveyard Book* by Neil Gaiman. The book starts with a murder and follows the story of the toddler who escapes and finds his way to the local graveyard. This is a quirky story with an exciting plot, full of twists and turns. To help you get started, you can listen to the author read the first chapter at <https://www.mousecircus.com/videos>

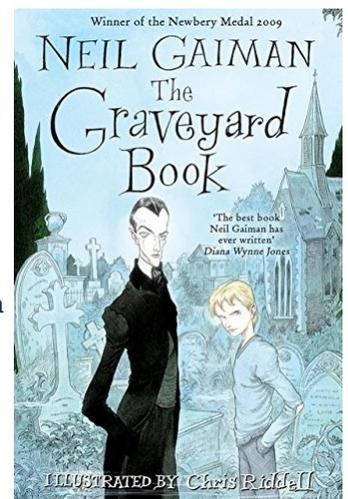
Pupils should all have had instructions about how to access our ebook collection, but if you want to know more, please contact Mrs Poolton.

First News is a weekly newspaper aimed at 7 to 14 year olds. They are currently offering free access for a limited period of time during lockdown. If you would like to try it out, please go to <https://subscribe.firstnews.co.uk/free-downloadable-issue/>

We would love to hear what our pupils are enjoying reading so please let Mrs Poolton know at kpoolton@stbedescollege.co.uk

Mrs Poolton

FirstNews



Primary Mathematics Challenge

Once more pupils in Prep 5 and 6 have undertaken the Primary Mathematics Challenge, a national competition run by the Mathematical Organisation. Unfortunately this year's preparations were interrupted for three weeks due to half term and the self-isolation of the Prep 6 bubble. Despite this, the test results were very pleasing and the pupils should be very proud of their efforts.

Of our gold award winners, six pupils were invited to take part in the PMC Final in February with the other gold award winner, Harris, missing out by just a solitary mark. Good luck to all our finalists - Patrick, Stephanie, Edson, Rosie, James and Tom. A special mention must go to Tom who is still only in Prep 5 but huge congratulations to all our amazing mathematicians!

Gold Award



Silver Award



Bronze Award



Outstanding Outdoor Provision!

We are delighted that exciting improvements have taken place in both our Early Years and Key Stage 1 outdoor space and our Key Stage 2 playground. Parents will have seen our new MUGA area in the main College playground which has transformed play for our older Prep pupils. Over the course of the autumn term, work has been completed on the surface and equipment in the play area used by our youngest pupils. We are also very excited by our new outdoor classroom which is powered by a solar roof panel and we cannot wait for the return of all of our pupils so that the space can be utilised for many lessons including STEM in the months ahead.

Our outdoor classroom has certainly come in very handy for the wet playtimes our critical worker children have experienced this week!

