

St Bede's Catholic Academy Parents' Newsletter

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Issue 13



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Scarlet Fever.

Please find attached important information on Scarlet Fever, Cases of this have been on the increase both locally and nationally.

Coats

We are currently experiencing the coldest spell of the year. It is really surprising to see the number of students who are coming to school with no coats. Please encourage your child to wear coats to and from school as they will need them at break and lunch.

On Friday I received an email from a member of the public. Her elderly father had fallen off his bike on Ashby High Street, a St Bede's student helped him up and checked that he was OK. The lady was very appreciative of the actions of this boy. May I also thank this young person on behalf of the school community. Mr Hibbard

Christmas Jumper Day

Next Wednesday is non-uniform Christmas Jumper day. Students can wear non-uniform under their festive jumpers as it is "Jumpers for George" day. Please can we ask students to bring a £1 donation as money raised will be given to Mr Alexander to take to the Paediatric High Dependency Unit in Hull. Thursday will also be non-uniform.

12th December
Yr 10 Medical Mavericks

13th December
Carol Service - St Bernadettes

14th December
Christmas Dinner / Christmas Jumper
day (£1 charity donation)

15th December
Rewards Day

16th December 12.25pm
School Closes for Christmas

Rewards day

Students on the Cinema, Bowling and Group 2 trip to Arcade Warehouse will require a packed lunch. Those who have indicated FSM and require a pack up, this will be arranged by school.

Students who are attending the cinema trip, polite reminder that students will need to be collected from the Cinema at approx 3pm. Please arrange this with your child.

Due to demand, we have added an extra session at Arcade Warehouse (2pm-4pm), however this does mean that these children (In Group 3) will require transport home at 4pm as there is no return bus to school.

PE Department

To keep up to date with all things sports related within St Bede's please follow the below link to our Twitter page:

St Bede's CV Academy PE Department (@StBedesPeDept) / Twitter

Scunthorpe & District Cross Country Championships

On Wednesday 7th December St Bede's took part in the Scunthorpe & District Cross Country Championships at Central Park. We had teams representing every age group in both boys and girls - leading to some excellent team and individual results.

All that took part represented the school superbly, in terms of effort, behaviour and determination.

Well done to those that have succeeded in qualifying for the Humberside Championships!

Homework Club

There will be no homework club week commencing 12.12.22. It will begin again in the New Year, week commencing 09.01.23.

Breakfast club

Breakfast Club is open for a free breakfast every morning 8am- 8:30am in the Food Tech Room.

Safeguarding

Dear parents and carers,

Attached is a link to advise you about cyberbullying:

<https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/advice-and-support/advice-parents-and-carers/im-worried-about-cyberbullying>

Please contact your child's tutor, head of year or pastoral support if you are concerned about your child being bullied. The school has worked closely with The Diana Award and we have trained Anti-Bullying Ambassadors in school.

Aegir School

On Tuesday, the Aegir school visited St Bede's. It has been a long-standing friendship between the school but due to covid restrictions, we have not been able to share a morning together for 2 years so we were especially grateful this year the visit could resume! The Aegir school is a specialist academy for students who have a range of learning difficulties including moderate, general and severe learning difficulties, autism and Asperger's syndrome. As such, our year 10 students prepared a day that focused on friendship and created activities so all young people could feel connected through dancing, boxing, reading, craft sessions and more. We can't speak highly enough of every year 10 student and how they conducted themselves throughout the visit. They were incredibly mature, kind and respectful of our guests and it speaks volumes of the character of our students. It was an absolute privilege to invite the Aegir school in and witness such profound acts of love from our students. We are very proud of each and every one of you.

Attendance:

We continue to encourage good attendance from our pupils and the aim is above 95% attendance. It is crucial that students attend regularly and on time, unless the reason for absence is unavoidable, so that students have the best possible chance of success at school. If your child is absent from school, please contact the school by telephone only to explain the absence. The school office will ask for an explanation of the absence and will engage in dialogue to ascertain if the absence can be avoided. The Heads of Year work closely with the Attendance Officer to identify patterns of absence and those who fall below the threshold may be subject to an attendance plan and invited into school for a meeting.

End of Advent term

On Friday 16th December the school community will come together to celebrate Advent by having a whole school mass. School on this day will close at 12:25pm, buses have been arranged to pick students up at this time.

A letter containing important information regarding the end of term can be found at [End-of-term-2022.pdf](#) (stbedesscunthorpe.org.uk)