# St Bede's Catholic Academy Parents' Newsletter

## Monday 26th September 2022

Issue 3





#### **Open evening**

If you have a child in Year 6 or you know of a parent who is currently looking at secondary schools, then please be aware that out annual open evening is taking place on Thursday 6th October. The evening starts at 4:15pm, there is no need to book. Please find attached a letter which has full details of the evening.

## **Vacancies**

The school is currently recruiting for a receptionist and safeguarding officer, please find full details on our website:

https://stbedesscunthorpe.org.uk/vacancies/

The closing date for both posts is Monday 26th September

30th September MacMillan Coffee Morning

6th October Yr6 Open Evening 4.15pm-6.45pm

7th October
Yr6 Open Morning

13th October
Yr11 Consultation
Yr7 Day of Reflection

20th October Yr7 Surgery

October 21st
School closes for half term

### **McMillan Coffee Morning**

St Bede's are hosting a Macmillan coffee morning on Friday 30th September. Our students would like to invite you to this event between 9-10:30 for refreshments and cake to raise money for our House charity, Macmillan.

# **Bugsy Malone Theatre Visit:**

Students who are going on the Bugsy Malone theatre visit next Tuesday evening need to arrive back at school at 4.45pm having eaten their evening meal ready to depart for Sheffield at 5pm. We are due to be back at school by 10pm and will communicate an ETA as we travel. If your child would like to purchase a programme or refreshments, they will need money with them to be able to do this. Thank you, Mr Fields.

## **GCSE PE Tops**

GCSE PE students in Year 10 and 11 are able to purchase a top for this academic year. If you are interested in purchasing one, then please use the link below to order. You then pay for the top via ParentPay. Due to limited stock the deadline for this is Friday 30th September 2022. Thank you. PE Dept.

https://forms.gle/emk4WVA4ZmwYANsr8

## <u>After-school Sports Practices</u>

On a typical week, the following practices will run on each afternoon until 4:10;

Monday: Year 7 & 8 Basketball and Years 9, 10 & 11 Football

Wednesday: Netball (all year groups) and Badminton (all year groups)

Thursday: Years 7 & 8 Football, Years 9, 10 & 11 Basketball, Hockey (all years)

and Years 9 & 10 Rugby

If practices are not running, it will be on the daily student bulletin or on our

twitter feed: @StBedesPeDept

Information about fixtures is given to students individually.

## **Toilet Passes**

The school is changing its policy in respect of toilet passes. Last year a significant number of students were abusing the use of these passes which was causing disruption to lessons. Therefore, if your child needs a toilet pass, please can you provide medical evidence such as appointment letters. Teachers will continue to use their discretion to let a student go to the toilet during lesson time.

#### **Safeguarding Updates**

As you will know, online safety is paramount to the safeguarding and wellbeing of young people. Students spend more time than ever online and we all have a part to play in keeping young people safe. In the first year of the pandemic, the NSPCC helpline saw a 45% increase in contacts from people worried about online sexual abuse. Together we can make sure it's safe for every child to go online. The NSPCC supports parents with online safety advice, and to protect and support young people.

The following link takes you to the NSPCC website and explores parental controls:

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/

Please contact the safeguarding team at ST Bede's if you require support for your young person.

#### **Financial Support**

Families can access support for food and energy if they need to from the link. Click in the box below and follow it down to 'Support Fund for Residents'.

https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/people-health-and-care/financial-support-advice-and-guidance/#1627038921996-4ec02fc9-4a4e

Financial support, advice and guidance - North Lincolnshire Council

Where to get help. We've brought together advice, guidance and support both from the council and external agencies and organisations. This guidance offers help including; grants and benefits available and helping with training and employment opportunities.www.northlincs.gov.uk

# **Drinks Sustainability Station**

During next week we will have in operation a drinks sustainability station in the school canteen where students can purchase a variety of flavoured juices. When purchased students will be given a token to put into the machine and it will allow them to fill up their drinks bottle.

Drinks can still be purchased in cartons etc but we will be gradually phasing these out, therefore, please can students be encouraged to bring a refillable drinks bottle to school so they can use the drinks station to avoid purchasing drinks in plastic bottles/cartons.