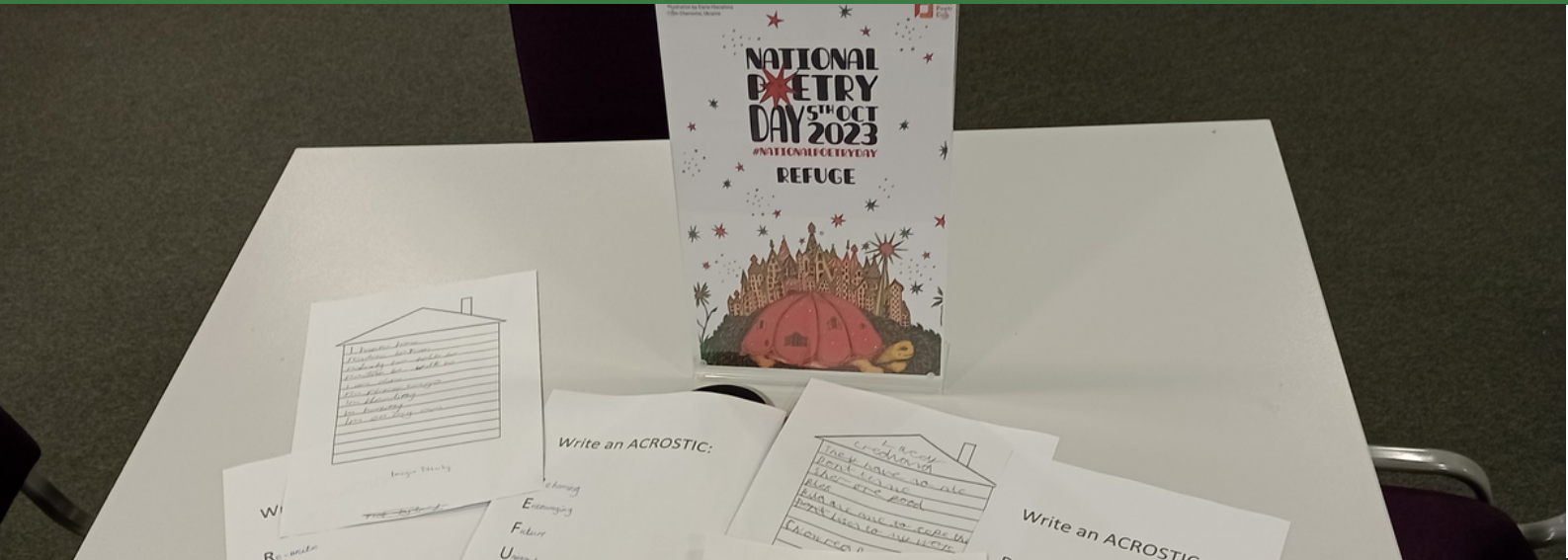


St Bede's Catholic Academy Parents' Newsletter

Friday 6th October 2023
Issue 5



Urgent – New Communication Portal

We are now using a new system 'Arbor' and all communication to parents will be going through this instead of ParentPay, you should have already received an email asking you to download the app. When you have access in the app you can check your child's data i.e. address, contact details, medical conditions etc and make amendments. If you have not already done this please can you do this as soon as possible. If you have not received an email please contact school and we will be able to get this resent. Thank you

Parent communication - detentions

From Monday 9th October all communication to parents' will be via the Arbor app - if you have not signed up for this yet you will receive emails rather than text messages, this includes information on detentions.

GCSE PE Tops

A final reminder that the deadline to order the GCSE PE tops is Friday 20th October. Please remember to order the top using the google form that is attached to the students google classroom or click the link below; <https://forms.gle/11hA9K46HGyHq8s38>

Also please pay for the top via ParentPay.

If you order one after the deadline, you will have unfortunately missed the order and will be refunded.

English writing competition

English writing competition 'Unsolved' current Yr 9s -if you are happy for child's work to be published please could you give permission either online (the quickest method) OR bring the signed sheet directly to me Mrs Ryan and I will forward to the company. Thank you.

Diary Dates

Thursday 12th October
WMIM Parents Coffee morning
8:15am – 9:15am
Yr 7 Surgery

Thursday 19th October
Yr 7 Mass of Welcome

Monday 23rd October
School closed for Half Term

Monday 30th October
Schools reopens for students

Wednesday 1st November
Feast of All Saints' Day

Tuesday 7th November
& Wednesday 8th November
London Westend Theatre Trip

Thursday 9th November
GCSE Music Performance Exam

Safeguarding

Dear parents and carers,

Attached is a link to advise you how to spot signs that your child is being bullied:

<https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/advice-parents/spotting-signs-my-child-being-bullied>

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.

Alumni Database

We are keen to keep building our alumni database to support our ongoing careers work in school. Each year our ex-students help us in a number of ways including; presenting at assemblies, delivering workshops, supporting us with trips and visits, attending our mock interview day, providing job profiles and words of wisdom for our students as well as donations of equipment for the school. We welcome any support, big or small, that our community can offer. To sign up to our database and receive our termly email please complete the Microsoft form which will only take a few moments <https://forms.office.com/r/Wgc31JbFmB> - Thank you - Ms Taylor

Young Carers

<https://www.barnardos.org.uk/get-support/young-carers/support-advice-families-young-carers>

Year 10 ICT & Art

If you have a student that is in Year 10 and studies ART or ICT can you please check Parentpay for the details about the educational visit on the 18 October 2023. Thank you, Mrs Stones

Medical Conditions/Needs

Polite reminder to complete the medical form emailed to parents/carers at the start of this academic year. It is vital that you ensure we have correct, up to date information regarding your child's medical needs. Thank you to those that have completed the form already. If you need another copy of the form, please contact Miss Pope at the school

With Me In Mind coffee morning

There will be a With Me In Mind coffee morning at school in the library on Thursday 12th October 9:15am-10:15am. This is to offer support around children's well-being.