

St Bede's Catholic Academy

Parents' Newsletter

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Our Journey to the Young Carers in Schools Award

We are proud to announce that St Bede's has been recognised with the Young Carers in Schools Award, celebrating our commitment to supporting young carers in our community. The school has worked tirelessly towards gaining this prestigious award which highlights the steps we've taken to ensure that young carers, who often balance significant responsibilities at home, receive the understanding, guidance, and support they need to succeed both academically and personally.

From providing dedicated staff support to creating a safe space where young carers can access resources and share their experiences, we've built an environment where every young carer feels valued and understood. Achieving this award reflects our school's dedication to inclusivity and well-being, and we remain committed to empowering all students, ensuring that no one's challenges go unnoticed.

This recognition is just the beginning, and we look forward to continuing our work in creating a caring, supportive community for all our students.

Diary Dates

2024

Thursday 26th September
Rewards trip to Alton Towers

Friday 27th September
MacMillan Coffee Morning

Thursday 3rd October
Yr 5 & Yr 6 Open Evening
Schools closes for students at 1.50pm

Friday 4th October
Jimmy Mizen Cup
Football Match

Wednesday 9th October
Flu Vaccinations

Thursday 17th October
Theatre Trip Sheffield Lyceum

Friday 18th October 3.05pm
School Closes for Half Term

Monday 28th October 8.45am
School Reopens to students

Friday 1st November
Year 7 Day of Reflection

Tuesday 5th November
London Westend Trip

The Importance of Being Prepared for School

We kindly ask for your support in ensuring that students arrive at school each day with all the equipment and materials they need. Recently, we've seen an increase in parents dropping off forgotten items at reception, which can disrupt the school day.

By helping your child prepare the night before—checking they have their books, stationery, PE kit, and any other essentials—you are setting them up for a more organized and stress-free day. Being fully prepared not only fosters responsibility but also ensures that your child is ready to engage in their lessons without unnecessary interruptions.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in helping us create a smooth and productive environment for everyone.

Parental Consent for Student Photos

At St Bede's, we love celebrating student achievements and sharing their learning experiences with our wider community. Photos of students participating in school activities are often featured in newsletters and across our social media platforms to showcase the fantastic things happening here.

To ensure we comply with privacy regulations and respect your preferences, we kindly ask that parents provide consent for the use of their child's photos. This consent allows us to capture and share memorable moments, while safeguarding each student's privacy.

If you have not yet given your consent or wish to update your preferences, please logon to Arbor and select your preference for photo consent.



Stay Connected with Us on Social Media

To keep up with the latest news, events, and achievements at our school, we encourage all parents to follow our social media pages. By staying connected, you'll receive updates, announcements, upcoming activities, and highlights of what's happening in and around the school. Our social media platforms are a great way to celebrate student successes, share information, and strengthen our school community. Don't miss out—make sure to follow us today and stay informed!

Thank you for your continued support and engagement!

Facebook – *St Bede's Catholic Voluntary Academy Scunthorpe*

Instagram - *saint.bedes*

X - *StBedes_Academy*



Careers Fair

On Tuesday 24th September (next Tuesday) during Year 10 and Year 11 lunchtime, we have a careers fair in both the Library and the Drama Studio. This is an ideal opportunity to speak to post-16 providers about options after school.

I would strongly recommend students visiting both areas of the school on Tuesday lunchtime while the careers fair is open only to their year group.

There is representation this year from:

John Leggott College

North Lindsey College

Bishop Burton College

HETA

University Centre North Lincolnshire

Bishop Grosseteste University (Lincoln)

Access Creative (apprenticeships)

Successful Futures (apprenticeships)

Positive Hair

Birch Chemicals

Humber UTC

The Army

Please do encourage your child to come along and make use of this resource; the representatives from each of the providers would love to see them!

Thank you

Mr Fields



Arbor - Student Login

Dear Parents & Carers

I am aware that some of students are having issues logging into Arbor. Following lots of digging around, it appears that the Arbor App is only for parents. However, to be able to view homework / attendance / timetable etc. students will need to go here: [Log in to your School | Arbor](#).

I have now tested this and you need to follow the following steps:

1. Follow the link to the Arbor website. This will take you to the login page.
2. Enter your school email (remember this is: username@stbedesscunthorpe.org.uk).
3. Press 'Forgot your password?' and this will allow you to create a new password (the link will be sent to your school email address).
4. Follow the link and set yourself a password - top tip, if your phone allows, I would advise allowing your phone to 'remember' the password for you.
5. You are now logged in!
6. Save the link to your phone / computer so that you are able to keep on top of your homework / attendance etc.

I have sent these instructions to all students via their school email.

Thank you.

Mr Fields

Maths Enrichment

We would like to encourage KS3 students (Y7-9) to take part in our weekly competition - Puzzle of The Week.

To take part, the students need to follow the link on their email which takes them to the Maths area on the school website to complete a Microsoft Form with their answer. Alternatively, students can go straight to the website and submit their answer rather than following the email link. Every correct answer will gain a Be Like Bede reward point and an entry into a prize draw at the end of the term.

Maths club - open in M3 each Tuesday during the second lunch break - All Y7 and Y9 are welcome to play a variety of board games and puzzles.

Cycling to school

If your child cycles to school could you please remind them of the need to stay safe. This week staff have noted students: cycling on the road against the direction of the traffic using mobile phones or listening to music whilst cycling cycling on the pavement pulling out onto road without looking cycling in the school car park A large number of students also do not wear helmets. Collum Avenue is very busy and we have spoken to students about this but I feel that by working together we can prevent a student being seriously hurt. Many thanks for your support Mr Hibbard

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Please join us on Friday 27th September for coffee, tea, cake or just a chat to raise money for Macmillan Cancer support between 9-10:30. The front doors to the Presentation Centre will be open to parents, guardians, parishioners and the wider community-the more, the merrier! Students, there will be a bake sale at break time. Can you be the best baker and beat Mr Iggleden and Mr Waite to the title?



This week's lunch menu

STREATERIES LUNCH MENU					ASPENS
WEEK 1 2/9, 23/9, 14/10, 4/11, 25/11, 16/12, 6/1, 27/1	AUTHENTIC Italian	AMERICAN Diner	Home STYLE	INCREDIBLE INDIA	Chips & More
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	
MAINS	MAINS	MAINS	MAINS	MAINS	
MEATBALL MARINARA PASTA BAKE topped with Cheesy Garlic Crumbs	NASHVILLE BAKED CRISPY CHICKEN BURGER with Ranch Slaw	ROAST PORK, STUFFING & APPLE SAUCE with Gravy <small>(Either as a dinner or served as a side)</small>	GARLIC CHILLI CHICKEN CURRY	Choose from: BATTERED FISH SAUSAGE or VEG SAUSAGE Quartered or plain	
ASPENS LOADED MAC & CHEESE with Spring Onion, Pepper & Garlic	CAJUN SPICED BAKED VEGGIE BURGER with Ranch Slaw	ROASTED ROOTS FILO STRUDEL <small>(Vegetarian)</small>	SWEET & SOUR CHICKPEA VEGETABLE PATHIA CURRY	Margherita Pizza Chicken Nuggets Chips	
SIDES	SIDES	SIDES	SIDES	SIDES	
CRUNCHY RAINBOW SALAD	CRISPY BAKED HOME FRIES	SKIN ON ROASTIES CARROTS & BROCCOLI	CARDAMOM RICE & GREEN BEANS	MINTY PEAS, BAKED BEANS, GRAVY OR CURRY SAUCE	
- PASTA & NOODLE POTS -					
CARBONARA PASTA	VEGGIE THAI STYLE NOODLE POT	BOLOGNESE PASTA	CHINESE CHICKEN CHOW MEIN NOODLES	CARBONARA PASTA	
BEANS - CHEESE - JACKET POTATOES - TUNA MAYO - SIMPLY PLAIN					
BIG BOWL SALAD	CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD	FALAFEL & POMEGRANATE COUSCOUS SALAD	QUINOA & FETA SUPERFOOD SALAD	HARISSA ROASTED CAULIFLOWER, CHICKPEA & SPINACH SALAD	TIKKA CHICKEN & MINT YOGURT SALAD
DESSERTS	WARM LEMON DRIZZLE SPONGE with Custard	BLACK & WHITE SHORTBREAD COOKIE	STICKY TOFFEE PUDDING with Toffee Sauce	FLAPJACK	STRAWBERRY TRIFLE POT
Daily Meal Deals Regular Chef's Specials					
Freshly Made from Scratch DAILY!					
Fresh Cut Fruit & Yogurt Pots Available Daily					
HANDCRAFTED DELI SANDWICHES, BAGUETTES, WRAPS, SALADS & MORE!					
DELI KITCHEN HOT GRAB & GO					

Safeguarding

Dear parents and carers

As children spend more time online for learning, socialising, and entertainment, it is increasingly important to ensure that they are navigating the digital world safely. At [School Name], we are committed to teaching students about responsible internet use and online safety, but we believe that working together with parents is key to protecting children from potential online risks.

Here are some practical steps you can take at home to support your child's online safety:

1. Maintain Open Communication:

- Encourage your child to talk openly about their online activities. Ask them about the apps, websites, and social media platforms they use, and make sure they know they can come to you if something makes them uncomfortable.

2. Set Clear Boundaries:

- Establish rules for screen time, device use, and internet access. For example, you could set time limits on how long they can be online and which websites are appropriate for their age.

3. Use Parental Controls:

- Most devices and internet service providers offer parental control settings that allow you to restrict access to inappropriate content. Make sure these are activated on your child's devices.

4. Teach Them About Privacy:

- Ensure your child understands the importance of keeping personal information private. Explain the dangers of sharing details like their full name, address, phone number, or school with strangers online.

5. Discuss Cyberbullying:

- Talk to your child about the effects of cyberbullying and encourage them to be kind online. Let them know they should report any negative behavior they witness or experience, whether it's from peers or strangers.

6. Monitor Online Activity:

- While respecting their privacy, stay aware of your child's online activity. Know which websites they visit, who they interact with, and what they are posting on social media. Periodically review their online accounts together.

7. Be Aware of Age-Appropriate Apps:

- Some apps and platforms are not suitable for younger children due to content or communication risks. Review the age ratings of the apps your child uses, and make sure they are engaging with platforms designed for their age group.

8. Encourage Critical Thinking:

- Help your child understand that not everything they see or read online is true. Teach them to question the information they come across and to avoid engaging with misleading or harmful content.

9. Stay Updated:

- The digital landscape is always changing. Keep yourself informed about new apps, platforms, and online trends so you can better guide your child's online experiences.

If you ever have concerns about your child's online safety or need advice on how to address specific online issues, please feel free to reach out. We are always here to support you in safeguarding your children in the digital world.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-reporting/report-remove/>