## St Bede's Catholic Academy Parents' Newsletter

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# WE ARE MACMILLAN. CANCER SUPPORT





## Coffee Morning Success!

#### St. Bede's Coffee Morning in Support of Macmillan Cancer: A Heartfelt Thank You

Last Friday, the community of St. Bede's came together for a special Coffee Morning to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support, and what a wonderful success it was! The event, held in the school hall, was a true testament to the generosity and spirit of our students, parents, and staff, all united for a worthy cause.

We would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who contributed, especially the talented bakers among our students and parents who created such a delicious array of cakes and treats. From classic Victoria sponges to inventive cupcakes, there was something for everyone to enjoy! Your efforts didn't just fill our tables, but also filled the room with smiles, laughter, and a strong sense of community.

The turnout was fantastic, with so many visitors stopping by to show their support. Whether you bought a cake, donated to the cause, or simply came along to share a cup of coffee and conversation, your participation made all the difference. Together, we are thrilled to announce that we raised an incredible £357 for Macmillan Cancer Support.

This money will go directly towards helping Macmillan provide essential care and support for those affected by cancer, and we are so proud to have played a small part in this mission.

Once again, a huge thank you to everyone involved. Your kindness and support are truly appreciated, and we look forward to more opportunities to come together as a community for good causes in the future.







### Diary Dates

2024

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

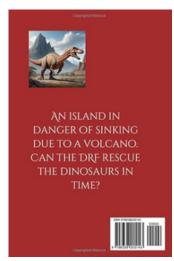
Tuesday 5th November London Westend Trip Exciting News: St. Bede's Student Publishes His First Book! We are thrilled to announce that one of our very own students has achieved an incredible milestone—his book, The Island That Was No More, has been published and is now available for purchase on Amazon!

This is an outstanding accomplishment, and we couldn't be prouder. We encourage everyone to support our talented young author by checking out his book and spreading the word.

Congratulations to him on this remarkable achievement!

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#### St. Bede's Rewards Trip to Alton Towers: A Day to Remember!

We are delighted to share the success of our recent rewards trip to Alton Towers, where our students enjoyed a well-deserved day of fun and adventure! The trip was a celebration of the hard work, dedication, and positive behaviour our students have shown throughout the year.

The day was filled with excitement as students braved the rollercoasters, explored the park, and made memories with their friends. We are incredibly proud to say that the students' behaviour was exemplary, with staff and park visitors alike commenting on how polite and well-mannered they were. It was fantastic to see everyone having such a great time, while also representing St. Bede's with pride.

A big thank you to all the staff who helped organise and supervise the trip, ensuring everything ran smoothly. It was a brilliant day, and we look forward to rewarding our hardworking students with more events like this in the future!

#### Important Notice: Parking Concerns Outside St. Bede's School

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are writing to address an ongoing issue regarding parking outside the school during drop-off and pick-up times. Recently, we have received multiple complaints from the local bus company, as well as concerns from our neighbors, about the dangerous and disruptive practice of double parking.

Double parking creates serious safety risks for our students, as it obstructs the road and makes it difficult for both vehicles and pedestrians to navigate safely. Additionally, it causes delays and frustration for buses and other road users, impacting not only our school but the broader community. It is essential that we all show consideration for the local residents and road users around St. Bede's.

If this practice continues, we will be left with no choice but to contact the local authority, who will send parking wardens to monitor the area. This could result in fines for those found to be parking illegally.

We kindly ask all parents and guardians to park responsibly, adhere to road safety rules, and respect the community we are part of. By doing so, we ensure that everyone remains safe, and we maintain positive relationships with our neighbors.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding. Let's work together to keep our children safe and be respectful to our local community.

Mr Hibbard

#### St. Bede's Careers Fair: Inspiring Futures for Our Students

Last week, we held our annual Careers Fair at St. Bede's, and it was a resounding success! The event provided our students with invaluable opportunities to explore a wide range of post-16 education, apprenticeship, and career options, thanks to the incredible support from the companies and institutions that attended.

We were fortunate to welcome representatives from John Leggott College, North Lindsey College, Bishop Burton College, HETA, University Centre North Lincolnshire, Bishop Grosseteste University (Lincoln), Access Creative, Successful Futures, Positive Hair and The Army.

Each organization offered valuable insight into their courses, apprenticeships, and career pathways, allowing our students to gain a better understanding of their future opportunities. From local colleges to specialist institutions and industries, the event catered to a wide variety of interests and aspirations, helping our students make informed decisions about their next steps.

We would like to extend a huge thank you to all the companies and institutions for their time and commitment to helping our students shape their futures. The Careers Fair was a great success, and we look forward to continuing to support our students in their journey towards bright and successful careers.

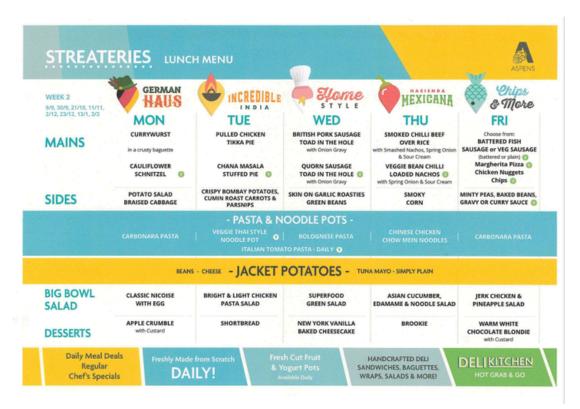








This week's lunch menu



#### Early School Closure - Thursday 3rd October

A polite reminder that the school closes at 1.50pm on Thursday this week to allow us to prepare for our Open Evening. The school bus has been re-arranged for this time.

#### **Tempest - School photos**

Have you ordered your school photos yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for free delivery back to school is . Sunday 6th October 2024. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit <a href="https://www.tempest-orders.co.uk">www.tempest-orders.co.uk</a>

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

Many thanks.

#### Safeguarding

Anti-bullying

Dear parents and carers,

As we begin the new school year, I would like to ask that we all take a moment to reiterate the messages with our children about the impacts of bullying. Sometimes bullying is not always clear to the bully or the victim and there can be misconceptions around what bullying is. Bullying is any form of treatment that we would not find acceptable and is either discriminatory or intended to cause harm both physically and mentally.

There are many varied reasons why a child may feel the need to bully another. Whilst this does not excuse the behaviour it shows a dire need for the impact of bullying to be taught to the children for them to fully understand the cause and effect of their actions. However, I must stress that this does not justify any form of bullying, and it will be dealt with swiftly in school.

Sometimes we are not made aware that there is an issue until we get a call from a parent worried because their child is not wanting to come to school or feeling worried or anxious. Please remind your children that they MUST come and speak to us and inform us if they have any issues at the earliest moment for us to be able to deal with it. As a school we have enrolled some pupils on a peer mentor course and these students will play a huge part in supporting others when needed, they will be identified to all students so that they know who they can go to if they need to talk about bullying concerns.

ADVISORY the Youtube video attached has references to self harm and suicide.

https://youtu.be/kkxFXDUUPTO?list=TLPQMDYwOTIwMjTaZcAHIvQQkg

https://www.nationalbullyinghelpline.co.uk/kids.html

Please contact your child's tutor, head of year or pastoral support if you are concerned about your child being bullied.

Many thanks

Mrs King (Anti Bullying Lead)