St Bede's Catholic Academy Parents' Newsletter

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Ollie's Special Challenge in Memory of Laila

We wanted to share an inspiring story about one of our students, Ollie, who recently completed a heartfelt challenge in memory of his friend Laila.

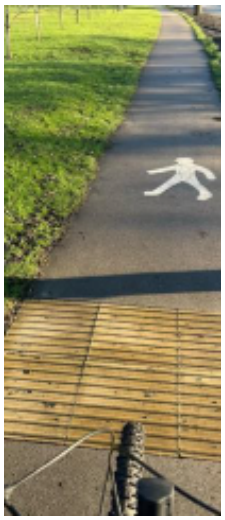
Ollie and Laila had been close friends ever since they first met in Nursery, forming a bond that only grew stronger over the years. Tragically, Laila passed away after a courageous battle with Osteosarcoma, a rare form of cancer. Her kindness, bravery, and vibrant spirit touched everyone who knew her.

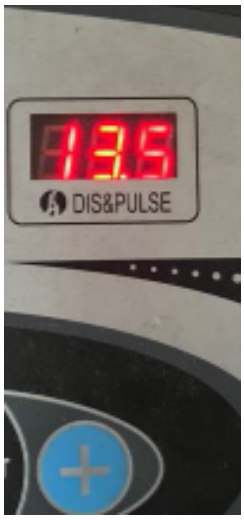
To honor Laila's memory, Ollie took on an incredible challenge to run, walk, and cycle the equivalent distance from Scunthorpe to Tower Bridge in London—and beyond. London held a special place in Laila's heart, as she loved visiting the city for shopping trips, and Ollie wanted his journey to reflect that connection.

We are delighted to share that Ollie successfully completed his challenge and has raised an amazing £1,800! Of this total, £400 will be used to install a special bench in the memory garden at St Bede's, ensuring that Laila will always be remembered within the school community. The remaining funds will be donated to PACT (Parents' Association of Children with Tumours and Leukaemia), a charity that supports children with cancer and their families.

Ollie's determination and dedication to honoring his friend are truly inspiring, and we are so proud of him for this incredible achievement.

Thank you to everyone who supported Ollie along the way. Together, we can ensure Laila's memory lives on in our school and beyond.





Diary Dates

2025

Tuesday 28th January
Humberside Secondary
Cross Country Finals

Wednesday 5th February
Health & Social Care
JLC visit 10am - 12.15pm

Tuesday 11th February
Yr 8 Day of Reflection

Thursday 13th February
School closes for
half term at 3.05pm

Monday 24th February
School re-opens to students

Tuesday 25th February
GCSE Music Performance
(Contingency Day)

Wednesday 26th February
Year 9 Vaccinations

W/C Monday 3rd March
Year 11 English & Maths
Mock Exams

Wednesday 5th March
GCSE Live Event Yr10

Dear Parents/Guardians of Year 7 students,
This is a reminder about our upcoming school trip to The Lincolnshire Show on Thursday, 19th June 2025. Spaces are now very limited, so if you haven't already secured a place for your child, please act quickly to avoid disappointment!
Key Details:

- Date: Thursday, 19th June 2025
- Cost: £25 per student
- Booking: Payment must be made via Arbor to confirm your child's place.
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Please remember that places are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis, and students must demonstrate excellent behaviour to be eligible for this trip.
A detailed letter with additional information has been emailed to all parents/guardians. Please check your email for full details.
Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. We look forward to an unforgettable day of fun and learning at The Lincolnshire Show!

Students Represent St Bede's at Synod Meeting in Lincoln
Last week, a group of students from St Bede's attended a cross-Trust meeting at the Alive Church in Lincoln to discuss the Synod. This gathering provided a unique opportunity for our students to listen to diverse perspectives, share their own thoughts, engage in meaningful dialogue, and connect with the global Church as we work together to shape the mission and culture of our school Trust.
The themes for this year—relationships, pathways, and place—sparked thoughtful conversations about faith, community, and our shared vision for the future. These experiences not only help shape our Trust but also contribute significantly to the personal growth and development of our students.
We are proud of our students for representing St Bede's with such insight and enthusiasm and look forward to seeing the positive impact of these discussions within our school and beyond.

This Week in Ordinary Time: Week 3 – Celebrating the Word of God
In the Catholic Church, Week 3 of Ordinary Time is a time to reflect on the richness of God's Word and its role in our lives. Ordinary Time focuses on the life and teachings of Jesus, and this week especially highlights the importance of Scripture as a guide for our faith and daily living.
Pope Francis has dedicated the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time as the Sunday of the Word of God, encouraging us to embrace Scripture as a living, breathing connection with God. It is through Scripture that we hear His voice, learn His ways, and are called to action in our lives.
Word of the Week: Scripture
Our Word of the Week is Scripture. It reminds us of the power and beauty of God's Word, which illuminates our path and shapes who we are. Scripture is more than just words on a page; it is God's living message, speaking to us in every moment of our lives.
This week, let us take time to read, reflect on, and pray with the Scriptures. Whether it's through the daily readings, a favorite Psalm, or a Gospel story, may we open our hearts to hear God's voice and allow His Word to transform us.
Let us celebrate this time in Ordinary Time by making Scripture a central part of our lives—both in prayer and action.

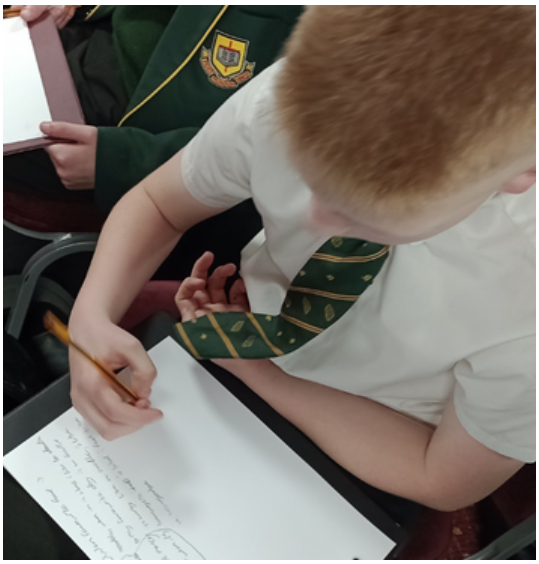
Scunthorpe United Reading Stars Shine at Study United!

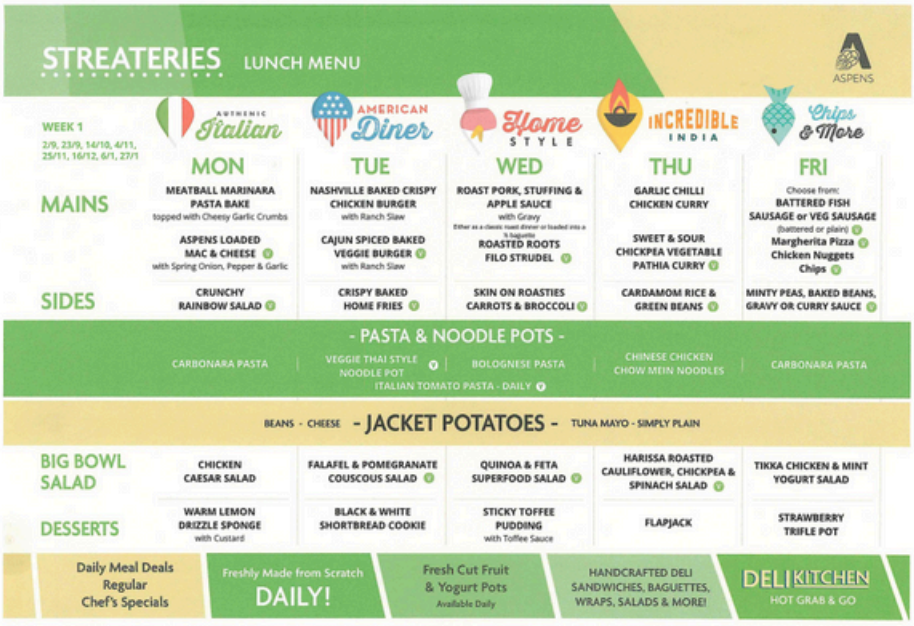
This week, our Scunthorpe United Reading Stars had an unforgettable experience at the Attis Arena as they attended Study United. The highlight of the day? A dynamic workshop led by renowned educational rapper, BREIS!

Hailing from London, BREIS took the students on an exciting Hip-Hop journey, blending music, creativity, and learning. Through his energetic session, he shared the art of rap and inspired the group to create their very own rhymes.

The workshop was a fantastic opportunity for the students to express themselves, build confidence, and discover the power of words in a fun and unique way. Who knows—there may even be a future rap star among them!

We're so proud of our Reading Stars for embracing this creative challenge, and a big thank you to BREIS for making the day so memorable.





St Bede's Academy 2024/2025

Bus Service 698

Service Provider – Hornsby Coaches

Timetable

School Bus Stop	AM	PM
Crosby, Crosby Avenue – first bus stop /Crosby, Reginald Road	7:55am	15:39pm
Crosby, opp Cocked Hat	7:56am	15:40pm
Scunthorpe, opp Kirks Corner	7:58am	15:37pm
Scunthorpe, opp Shop (Scotter Road)	8:00am	15:35pm
Berkeley Circle – opp Moors Road	8:01am	15:34pm
Scunthorpe – opp Barnstaple Road (Nr Plymouth Road)	8:03am	15:32pm
Scunthorpe, o/s Westcliff Infants	8:06am	15:29pm
Scunthorpe, opp Mormon Church near Pop In Shop	8:08am	15:27pm
St Bede's	8:18am	15:15pm