St Bede's Catholic Academy Parents' Newsletter

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Headteacher message

As we reach the end of another term, I want to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for your continued support and partnership in the life and mission of St Bede's Catholic Academy. Your dedication to your children's education and spiritual formation is a cornerstone of our community.

I am especially grateful for your tremendous participation in our recent Parents' Evening, where over 80% of parents joined us. Your engagement, thoughtful discussions, and willingness to collaborate reinforce the strong bonds between home and school. It is this partnership that enables us to provide the best opportunities for our children to flourish.

This term has been filled with moments of achievement and enjoyment, from academic successes to spiritual milestones such as our Ash Wednesday celebrations, a large number of trips that have taken place and the recent Y7 air products activity day. Your prayers, encouragement, and active involvement have been vital in supporting both the children and the wider school community.

I would like to wish you and your family all the best for the Easter holidays. The school reopens for students on Tuesday 22nd April.

The National Careers Challenge - the largest careers and enterprise competition in the UK! On Tuesday 1st April all year 7 students spent the day completing The National Careers Challenge. This year the challenge is fully sponsored by the international company Air Products and delivered in a fully engaging style by staff from The Inspirational Learning Group.

Year 7 students worked in small groups and were guided through a series of tasks to create a 'Sustainable Town of the Future'. Students had to consider the location of their town, the main employer, transport, food provision, house structure and much more!

Prior to lunchtime all groups presented their idea in a nutshell to the facilitators and then during the afternoon a selection of groups presented their ideas to the whole of the year. Mr Fields and Mrs Bishop formed the panel of judges and gave feedback on each presentation.

Two groups were chosen to represent St Bede's at the National Finals at The Barbican Centre, London on Tuesday 8th July. Congratulations to all of year 7 who took on The National Careers Challenge and especially to the two winning groups:

Eco-Town from 7 Vaughan: Tilly, Neyamah, Jaxon, Cameron and Manomay

Sunville from 7 Lisieux: Lucas L, Lucas E, Reggie, Jake, Fabian and Filip Mrs Bishop plans to spend time with the two winning groups to ensure they are fully prepared for the Finals

Diary Dates 2025

Friday 4th April 3.05pm School closes for half term

Tuesday 22nd April Students return to school

Wednesday 23rd April HPV Vaccinations

Thursday 24th April Yr9 Day of Reflection

Monday 28th April MFL Speaking Exams

Tuesday 29 & Wednesday 30th April GCSE Art Exam

Tuesday 6th May MFL Polish Speaking

Friday 23rd May Leavers Liturgy & St Bede's Day 3.05pm School closes for half term

> Monday 2nd June Students return to school





As part of our **World Book Day celebrations**, several tutor groups participated in an exciting competition to design a "Book in a Box." This creative challenge encouraged students to think outside the box (literally!) and bring their favorite stories to life in a unique and imaginative way.

The competition was fierce, with each year group showcasing incredible talent and creativity. After much deliberation, the winners in each year were awarded a giant tub of sweets for their outstanding efforts. Congratulations to all our participants for their hard work and enthusiasm!

We are proud of our students for embracing the spirit of World Book Day and demonstrating such a passion for reading and creativity. Keep up the fantastic work!







Congratulations to Adrian who has had his short story published in the "Fight or Flight" anthology





St Bede's Study United team took part in an interschool football tournament on the Scunthorpe United training pitch at the Attis Arena. This year, we had a win, a draw, and two losses, but at least everyone took a free football home!





North Lincolnshire Libraries is running some additional, **condensed air fryer sessions** for families to ensure that as many families benefit from this scheme as possible. Families will receive an air fryer (delivered at a later date), £30 ALDI voucher and an air fryer cookbook.

I have attached the various posters with the below information, please can you help promote these events and send out to any relevant people who you think may benefit. The venues and dates are:

Scunthorpe Central - Tuesday 8th April 10am - 11am OR 1pm - 2pm Live Well Isle of Axhome - Wednesday 9th April 1.30pm-2.30pm OR 2.30pm-3.30pm Riddings Library - Thursday 10th April 10am-11am OR 1pm-2pm OR 2pm-3pm

The criteria are: lives in North Lincolnshire children must live at home either parents or children can have a disability children are either Pupil Premium or Free School Meals 'low income families'

The families need to contact library.enquiries@northlincs.gov.uk if they would like to attend one of the sessions.



