

St. Bede's News



ST. BEDE'S R.C.V.A.
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Living Water

This Sunday is the 3rd Sunday of Lent and John's Gospel tells us the story of the lady at the well with Jesus. He gives the living water – the Holy Spirit.

This morning in Liturgy we have been exploring how we can store this living water in side of us and share it by kind acts. The water feeds our soul.



Deputy Headteacher News

On Friday 14th February the Governors of school spent the day interviewing candidates for the position of Deputy Headteacher at St Bede's. I can now tell you that Mrs Rebecca McCarron will begin working with us after the Easter holidays.

Mrs McCarron currently works at a Catholic school in North Tyneside and we are looking forward to her joining the team at St Bede's.

I would like to thank Miss Clark who has been acting Deputy since September. She has flourished in this role bringing great leadership to the school. After Easter she will continue to be on the Senior Leadership Team in school and will be a key part in driving forward with school development.

★ IMPORTANT DATES ★

Saturday 14 th March 2020	5:30pm - 6:30pm	Mass for First Holy Communion children at Church
Friday 20 th March 2020	9am – 10am	Year 5 Liturgy (School Hall)
Tuesday 24 th March 2020	3pm – 4:15pm	Mini Vinnies Club
Friday 27 th March 2020	10am - 11am	Year 1 Mass
Friday 27 th March 2020	9am - 10am	Year 6 Liturgy (School Hall)
Monday 30 th March 2020	2:30pm	Year 3 & 4 Singing Performance for parents
Tuesday 31 st March 2020	3pm – 4:15pm	First Holy Communion Session at Church
Friday 3 rd April 2020	10am - 11am	Whole School Mass
Friday 3 rd April 2020		Last Day of Spring 2 Term
Saturday 4 th April 2020	5:30pm - 6:30pm	Mass for First Holy Communion children at Church
Monday 20 th April 2020		School Closed – Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 21 st April 2020		Back to School for Summer 1 Term

Please note 'Important Dates' events will be added as & when they are booked

Reminder

Please do not bring dogs onto school premises; this includes the grounds of St Benet Biscop. Thank you



In the near future our school is going to begin visits to Bedlington library so that they can choose books to borrow and also to develop their love of books. Any children, who are not yet members of the library, can apply with their parents at the library or school can provide forms. We hope that these visits will help to promote how important libraries are for the local community.



The Festival of Arts in Bedlington (FAB) begins on Friday 20th March. We are joining with the community to show some of the crafts that we do at St Bede's. It would be lovely for as many of our families as possible to get involved to. Please see <https://www.facebook.com/festivalofartsbedlington/> or <https://www.facebook.com/bedlingtoncreatives/> for more information.

Some of the events are...

- FAB Launch event - 4pm on Friday wearing yellow or red and countdown to launch the very first Festival of Arts Bedlington. Choose a spot along FRONT STREET and count down from 100 to launch.
- Family Photo Challenge in partnership with Laird's House Bedlington
- The Great Bedlington Bake Off & Tea Party - Venue; Bedlington Community Centre On the final day of the festival (Sunday 22 March), we are inviting you to bring us your most creative cakes to help us celebrate in a giant tea party for the whole community!
- Creative Garden designers age 11 and under to design, draw and colour something really special for Laird's House Community Garden. You can drop off your entries at Bedlington Community Centre or Laird's House during opening hours by Mon 16 March. Please include the name of your Garden, your name, age and parent's detail on the back of your entry.



After the Easter holidays we are changing the school lunch provider and the meals will be cooked by the catering staff at St Benet Biscop. The food will be transported to our kitchen in the same way as the present time and there should be very little change apart from using a different system. Menus will be advertised and you will be able to pre-book the meals. The payment system will be a new one and we are working hard to minimise any disruption to you. We will keep you updated when more information is available.

To date there is no plan for St Bede's to close due to Coronavirus. We are following guidance from the Department for Education and Health England.

Should there be any change in arrangements including events where you are invited to come into school, we will keep you informed. The government website has updated information.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response>

We are as always highlighting the need for personal hygiene, I can't believe how many birthdays there has been this week and the children only seem to sing to their friends when they are in the toilets!

After Easter Year 3 & 4 are going to the learning to play the ukulele during their music sessions with Miss Smith. School will provide the instruments to be used in school but if you were thinking of getting an additional Easter gift for your child, having a ukulele at home would help if they practice. The more they practice the better they will be therefore the more enjoyable it will be for you to listen to!

