

St. Bede's Weekly Newsletter



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We hear again from Mark this week in the Gospel. The disciples are discussing who is the most important one amongst them. Jesus simply says that the most important one is the one who puts every other person before themselves. Are we completely selfless as adults?

Attendance during last week dropped to 94.2%. It is so important to have the children into school every day, every minute counts.



A request from nursery. The willow igloo is rather overgrown and our usual grounds maintenance company are extremely busy so will not be able to get soon. Are there any eager parents who would like to help Miss Grigg to trim the willow? Thank in advance.

If there are any members of our community who would like to help indoors we would love some more volunteers who can read with the children. If you have some spare time and don't mind having safeguarding checks carried out then please get in touch.



This week's *Statement to Live By* continues to be part of a group of statements that celebrate uniqueness. We have been aiming to improve self-esteem by saying 'I can say one good thing about myself.'



A reminder that Sacramental Preparation will begin again soon for any children Y4 or above who wish to make their First Confession and First Holy Communion. There is an initial meeting at St Bede's Church Hall at **3pm on Monday 24th September.**



Government funding for schools can be enhanced for some children so that the school can provide additional support. If you think that your child is entitled to free school meals and you have not informed us then please speak to the office staff. This is especially important for children in Nursery, Rec, Y1 and Y2 as this money can help your children in more ways than simply a free school meal. This is a different entitlement to universal free school meals which children in Rec, Y1 and Y2 receive.

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- Inspiring us to achieve

So far the 'Soft Start' to the school day has worked well from a school point of view. We have noted how much calmer the children are when it comes to 8.50am for registration. Please let us know your thoughts both positive and negative, thanks.



As part of St Bede's ongoing development of the curriculum, all of the children in school will be using the outdoor area for learning on the following dates:

Monday 24th September- Year 2

Tuesday 25th September-Year 4

Wednesday 26th September- Year 1

Friday 28th September- Year 3

Monday 1st October- Year 6

Tuesday 2nd October- Year 5

P.E. Kit

Can you please ensure that your child has the correct p.e. kit with them in school. This should consist of black shorts, white t shirt and black sandshoes. Leggings and sports leggings are not part of the uniform. Thank you

A reminder about games that children play via the Internet; it is our responsibility as parents to monitor how children use the games. Games are given age guidelines because children may not be mature enough to cope with the content which may be worrying, frightening and potentially harmful to our children. Also the added risk with playing games online is that adults are able to hide behind a false identity, again we need to protect our vulnerable children. This website is useful in helping parents with this vast area <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents> As a school we cannot endorse games that are appropriate for 11+ years, this include merchandise (e.g. bags) linked to the game. Should you have already purchased a school bag with a link to a game such as Fortnite, C.O.D etc. and wish to discontinue using it then please see a member of the office staff who can provide you with a free replacement. Thank you for supporting us in keeping your children safe.