

St. Bede's Weekly News



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Last weekend's Gospel shared with us how Jesus did not give in to temptation in the desert even though the devil pushed him and pushed him. The children have been trying this week to make those correct choices.

This weekend in Luke's Gospel we hear about the Transfiguration of Christ. The disciples didn't understand fully at the time what they had seen but God was telling them that Jesus was in fact his son.

Using this Gospel can help us to reflect upon how the people we spend time with or who we listen to can change our lives.

Do we as adults choose to listen to God?



The statement to live by this week has been **I know that it is ok for me to make mistakes.** It is so important that our children learn that mistakes are a key way of developing. Next week the statement will be **I can learn from my mistakes and failures,** we will build on this week's statement so that the children see how learning can be achieved from mistakes.

Attendance during the last week was 97.5% this was very good. Year 5 and Year 6 both achieved 100% attendance.

Please note that the original dates for Year 5 and year 6 Liturgies in school have changed. See the Important Dates.

A reminder that we are still taking part in the '**Elmer's Great North Parade**' project in partnership with St Benet Biscop and the feeder schools. The children can design Elmer's that may become part of the big Elmer that is being purchased and then used in the regional parade. There are two ways in which children can participate at the moment – either by presenting their design on a paper template (a fee of 50p per entry), or by purchasing a ceramic elephant money box which will allow them to showcase their design in full 3D glory (a fee of £4 per entry and children will have their money box return to them to keep, once the competition has closed). All of the designs will be displayed at our school and then passed to St Benet Biscop later to be displayed at their annual Celebration Day where parents and visitors will be able to view them. All profits will be donated to St Oswald's Hospice.

Should you wish for your children to partake in this event please send the money in an envelope marked either 50p template design or £4 money box together with their name and class.

All entries need to be in by Easter.

Mini Vinnies have also chosen to collect for St Oswald's Hospice over the Lenten time – they are going to make a footprint trail with loose change so any donations of 1p, 2p, 5p 10p..... would be greatly accepted



A reminder please about school uniform. Recently there have been some children wearing trainers to school. Please make sure that they are wearing school shoes.



A reminder about the **counselling service** that we have at St Bede's. Sarah Nichol is part of the team here and her skills are invaluable for all of our school community. There are various ways that children can access therapy and should you feel that your child would benefit from some time with her please contact school and we can have a chat.

One of the ways that children are meeting with Sarah is by the drop in sessions that she has at break times – the children usually self refer here.

Should you wish for your child **not** to speak with Sarah, please contact Mrs Worrall so that this can be recorded on your child's in school file.

Cool milk. If you would like your child to have milk at school please register at www.coolmilk.com



Please keep Mrs Young in your prayers, last week she fell and broke her leg while away in the Lake District with the school. She is having surgery on it today and we hope her recovery will be pain free and rapid.



Our vision for St Bede's is to be a community of faith love and respect inspiring us to achieve. As children and staff in school we use this daily to maintain the wonderful feel that we have in school. We would hope that the parental body also buy into this vision and so I respectfully request that when speaking with school staff everyone bears in mind this vision, thank you.

These are the dates for the summer assessments that we have to report to the Department for Education it is important that your child is in school so that an accurate measure can be reported.

Year 1 - Phonics screening check throughout week commencing **Monday 10 June 2019**

Year 2 - tests that support teachers assessment are throughout **May 2019**

Year 6 – SATS throughout week commencing Monday 13th May

IMPORTANT DATES

22 nd March	Year 6 Liturgy 9am in the hall
29 th March	Year 5 Liturgy 9am in the hall
5 th April	10 am Whole School Mass at Church
5 th April	Break up 3.05pm for Easter
6 th April	4.15pm First Holy Communion Session followed by Fruit of the Vine Mass
23 rd April	Teacher Training day
24 th April	Return to school