

St. Bede's Weekly News



ST. BEDE'S R.C.V.A.
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I hope you all had a happy and holy Christmas. It was lovely to welcome the children back into school. They have all been so eager and ready to learn. This weeks attendance has been 96.4% what a great start to the year!



11th January 2019

The statement to live by this week has been **I try to love others as I love myself.** Can we as parents show our children how we spread Gods love?

This week's Gospel centres on the Baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist.

During the Liturgy this morning the children were able to reflect upon what it is like to be a part of God's family, how being a part of his family we are all loved.

We drew parallels with being a part of a club, having a membership. The children were invited to think about remembering that they are members. Showing love to one another is a great way to remember.



Mrs White & Mrs Hart have requested that if you could collect any clean plastic bottle tops they would be very grateful as they are making a curtain for the Reception class "stage" Thank you.

The portal for Reception applications for Sep 2019 opened on the 1st November via the Northumberland County Council website and will close on the 15th of January. **Please make sure all application are completed before then as they will be unable to accept any after this date.**

The next session for the children who are preparing for First Holy Communion is this weekend.

4.15pm at St Bede's on Saturday with Mass at 5.30pm

or

Mass at 9am and session at 10am at St Robert's on Sunday

This session is in preparation for the children making their First Confession.

The services for First Confession are on **Wednesday 23rd January at 6pm – St Bede's**

Or

Thursday 24th January at 6pm – St Robert's

Father Peter has asked that parents inform the catechists this weekend which service their children will be attending for First Confession. Thank you



Thank you to the many children and parents that have already been adhering to our school uniform policy but can I please remind everyone **not** to wear nail varnish and earrings. Also please ensure you child is wearing their school tie every day.

On **Tuesday 15th January** children in **Years 4 & 5** are going to be doing some work on anti-bullying. Mr Philips is going to work with a group of children on exploring how to make our school environment friendlier for everyone. Mrs Young is going to work with some of the children on how to support each other and become anti bullying ambassadors. They will also be working with a representative from 'The Diana Award'

Following the sessions during the day there is a **session for carers after school**. This will allow you to explore what bullying is and how to equip your children for any challenges that it may bring. Please join us at the session as this is a great opportunity for St Bede's. **The adult workshop is open to all carers in school at 3.15pm in the school hall.**



This work is part of our ongoing mental wellbeing initiative to support our children. I will keep you updated on this work.

As many of you may have already done I watched I, Daniel Blake over the holidays. This reminded me of just how important the work that the Matthew project does to the community in Bedlington. We have supported this project for several years now and will continue to do so. The Mini Vinnies are passionate about encouraging their peers to support the project too. If you wish to make a food donation then please send it into school with your child as it greatly helps out our local community in their time of need.



IMPORTANT DATES

12th Jan	First Holy Communion Session
15th Jan	Year 4 and 5 Anti-bullying Workshop followed by Parents Workshop
17th Jan	Year 5 Oriental Museum Trip
17th Jan	Year 1 Multi-Skills Event
18th Jan	Year 2 Liturgy- 9am in hall
23rd Jan	First Confession in Church 6pm
25th Jan	Year 5 and 6 Mass- 10am in Church
30th Jan	Year 2 Laing Art Gallery Trip
31st Jan	Netball Competitions- Year 5 and 6
1st Feb	Year 1 Liturgy- 9am in hall
2nd Feb	FHC Session- Glory to God in the Highest Mass
7th Feb	Year 3 Multi-Sports Event
13th Feb	Year 3 Laing Art Gallery Trip
15th Feb	Year 3 Liturgy- 9am in hall
15th Feb	School breaks up at 3.05pm
18-22 Feb	Holiday Club run by Premier Sports
25th Feb	School returns