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St. William's Weekly News Round 17 September 2021

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE BOARD

Mass to mark the new academic year

We celebrated the start of the new school year with a beautiful Mass with Fr Michael in St. William's Church on Tuesday. The pupils' behaviour was exemplary! The readers: Eleanor, Faiza, Julia, Leodette, Suzanna, Klaudia & Dominik were very impressive and Patryk and Oliwia led the offertory procession respectfully. We asked God to bless our school family and help us all to serve God in the year ahead.

Serving God and serving one another

And this is what Jesus says to them:

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." (Mark 9:30-37); we are reminded of the depth of love and service Jesus shows when he washed His disciples' feet (a job that the lowest servant would usually do) at The Last Supper.



In the Gospel reading this weekend, Jesus teaches us that we have been created by God to love Him and one another as He loves us. Jesus constantly showed us how to put our love into action and to serve one another. It is in the ordinary things, in our every day lives, that are the daily expression of love and service for God and one another. In every act of love and service offered cheerfully and with humility, in our homes, schools and work places, it is Christ's love we give, receive and share with others.

Loving Father,

Fill us with the Holy Spirit

And help us to serve you and others

According to your commandments of love.

Amen.

SBSJ Opening Evening invitation for Y6

September 2021

Dear Parents/Carer

St Bede's and St Joseph's Catholic College
Open Evening
Ignis (Lower School Site), Cunliffe Road BD6 7AP

We would like to invite you to our Open Evening on Wednesday 29th September, 17:30 – 20:00, with Headteacher presentations through the evening, starting at 17:45.

St Bede's and St Joseph's is an over-subscribed, recently established co-educational school, founded in 2014 by the merger of the two single sex Catholic secondary schools in the city of Bradford, the boys school, St Bede's Catholic Grammar School in Twinner and the girls school, St Joseph's Catholic College in Marston.

The College is now fully co-educational with around 1900 students on roll making us the biggest Catholic school in the country. Our aim is to be the best Catholic school in the country by honouring the first sainted son of Cardinal Arthur Hinsley, the first headmaster of St Bede's Catholic Grammar School in 1900 who wished to provide for his students:

'a thorough training in the knowledge and principles of the Catholic faith, combined with a secular education equal in every respect to the best public schools in England'

Learning opportunities, pastoral care and the wealth of experiences that we offer beyond the classroom are all arranged to meet this aim whilst our pursuit of Christ-centred values in all aspects of College life enables us to form: 'happy, confident, spiritually awake, life-long learners'

In short, we hope to build on the excellent work of our Catholic feeder schools in ensuring that there is excellent 5-18 Catholic provision in the City of Bradford.

We sincerely hope that you consider our College as your child's school of choice and look forward to meeting you on Wednesday 29th September 2021, where we will have the opportunity to elaborate more fully on the exciting journey that this College is on.

Yours sincerely

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St Bede's and St Joseph's Catholic College
Open Evening
Wednesday 29th September 2021
5.30pm to 8.00pm
Headteacher presentation at 5.45 and further talks through the evening

"Leaders and staff show a strong commitment to the Catholic faith"
"They care greatly for pupils"
"The relationships between staff and pupils are strong"
"Pupils are happy and enjoy coming to school"
"Leaders and staff expect the best of a pupils and want them to achieve well"
"Teachers' subject knowledge is strong"
"Leaders bring subject teaching and wider experience together well"
"Pupils welcome the extensive programme of activities on offer"
"Leaders are passionate about helping pupils to become confident and young people who value teamwork, understand the wider world and show respect and tolerance for others"
"Pupils behave well. The school is calm and friendly"
Ofsted 2019

Sacramental News



First Holy Communion 18 September 2021 at St. William's Church, at 12pm, for those children who completed to course last year.

Confirmation

Thursday 23 September 2021 at 6pm in St. William's Church. (This is for children who have completed the Parish Confirmation Course last year).

Please speak to me, at school if you want your child to prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation this year. Thank you.

Secondary School Applications.

Secondary School Applications to be completed by 31 October 2021 online. If you require any help, please contact the school office to make an appointment.

Flu Immunisation

Each child has taken home a Flu Immunisation pack – if you would like your child/children immunised, please return signed forms to school by **Tuesday 21 September 2021** – thank you.

Music at St. William's

From singing lessons in Oak and Holly Classes to Flute playing in Lime and Beech Classes.



Keeping children safe – Online



Warning: No Holidays in Term Time

Please book holidays for when school is closed. We do not authorise any holidays in term time **and fines will be issued for taking your child/children out of school during term time.**

Attendance and Punctuality is a HUGE part of Keeping Children Safe

Staff in school have a **legal duty of care** for all pupils in school and **it is the law that children attend school every day.** Parents/carers must contact school on the 1st day of their child's absence by either telephoning 01274 545743 or by text message on 07624806369. We expect pupils **to arrive on time, ready for learning.**

Punctuality is an essential life skill needed for the world of work. **Please understand that there is a child-care fee of £1, per child, for every 5 minutes pupils are collected late at the end of the school day. Thank you for your support to be on time.**

Attendance & Punctuality

Give your child the best start in life – every school day counts!

This week's Trophy Winners!

Class	%	Number of Lates per class	Time lost through lateness	Number of pupils on time
Ash	92.7%	2	1hr 5mins	24
Oak	97.7%	1	50mins	25
Beech	92.6%	4	1hr 5mins	22
Lime	96.2%	2	10mins	26
Holly	98.6%	4	35mins	25

95.6% Overall school attendance

94.9% Overall school attendance to date

Congratulations...Bravo...Well done!!!



Class teachers' Achievement Awards:

Congratulations to these fabulous award winners: **Brodie, Layton, Hakeem, Amelia, Vania, Mia, Julie, Win, Saif and Tiana-Marie**

Hot Chocolate Friday:

Enoch, Alexis-Marie, Karolina, Kiamy, Keyaan, Elise, Lena, Faiza, Colin and Kevins.

Virtue Certificates this week:

Amaan – Love, Jeremiah – Faith, Suzanna – Simplicity, Adela - Love and Eleanor - Love

Golden Table Monday:

Lochlan, Hakeem, Kayla, Umayma and Adam

'Golden Mention to our lunchtime stars'

Amaan, Iyaan, Anna, Karolina, Elise, Konrad, Ahmad, Adela, Filip



Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you,
happy birthday dear

Enoch, Leo

happy birthday to you! Hope you have a special day.

Come and join our School for Coffee and Cake Afternoon

Join your child's class

Holly Class Monday 20th

Lime Class Tuesday 21st

Beech Class Wednesday 22nd

Ash Class Wednesday 22nd

Oak Class Thursday 23rd

at 2.40pm

Please enter through the main office.

Donations of cakes and buns in sealed packets would be gratefully received.



Thank you for your donations and support to attend!
(No home baked cakes this year, thank you!)



Thank you to our wonderful Grandparent volunteer, who kindly donated some beautiful bedding plants for our cross at the front of school.

Dates for your diary:

18.09.21	1 st Holy Communion at 12.00pm St. William's Church
20.09.21	HOLLY Class – 2.40pm – 3.05pm MacMillan Coffee Afternoon
21.09.21	Return Flu Immunisation forms
21.09.21	LIME Class – 2.40pm – 3.05pm MacMillan Coffee Afternoon
22.09.21	ASH Class 2.40pm – 3.05pm – Stay & Play and MacMillan Coffee Afternoon
22.09.21	BEECH Class 2.40pm – 3.05pm MacMillan Coffee Afternoon
23.09.21	OAK Class – 2.40pm – 3.05pm MacMillan Coffee Afternoon
w/c 04/10	Phonics & Reading class visits for parents
07.10.21	October Harvest Celebration
13.10.21	Lime Class – Homework Project due in
18.10.21	Oak Class – Homework Project due in
18.10.21	Holly Class – Homework Project due in
18.10.21	Parents' Consultation Evening 3.30-6pm
20.10.21	Parents' Consultation Evening 3.30-5.30pm
20.10.21	Beech Class – Homework Project due in
22.10.21	School Closes at 3.15pm and re-opens on Tuesday, 2 November 2021

After School Clubs

Monday's Mindfulness Club 3.15pm – 4.00pm in Beech Class

Tuesday's Movie Club 3.15pm – 4.00pm in Ash Class
Minecraft 3.15pm – 4.00pm - in Lime Class

Thursday's Team Games 3.15pm – 4.15pm Outside/Hall
Homework Club 12.25pm – 12.55pm in Lime Class

Friday's Choir Club 12.25pm – 12.55pm in the Hall

Risk Assessment and Contingency Planning for any Covid-19 outbreak – where we are now? Have a lovely weekend and see you all Monday, at 8.45am

Unfortunately, Covid-19 has not gone away and we must all continue to work together to protect our children and ourselves as much as possible to reduce the risk of this in our school family. Please visit the school's website to view the current Risk Assessment and the Contingency Plan for any outbreaks of Covid-19.

Face coverings/masks are not required to be worn by adults on the playground, however, if you feel safer and more secure wearing one, then please do so.

Equally, the rules on social distancing have also relaxed but please be respectful of others and observe the personal space of those around you. There are no longer any staggered starts/finish times for classes – all pupils need to arrive at 8.45am to start at 8.55am and all pupils finish at 3.15pm every day.

It is essential that those pupils who have tested positive or are showing symptoms of Covid-19 DO NOT come into school. Parents must organise a PCR test for their son/daughter with:

a high temperature – this means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back

a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)

a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Only when a pupil has tested positive, themselves, must they self-isolate for 10 days. If a member of their household tests positive they do not need to self-isolate unless they start to show symptoms of Covid-19 (and then the parent must arrange a PCR Test for them asap) When a child is absent because they have Covid-19, teachers will provide remote learning for them via Class Dojo.

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Use class dojo to send home learning work back to your child's class teacher to be checked.

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