



# Pupil Bulletin (Week A)

## Saint Bede's Catholic High School

### 8th May 2023

## PRAYER THEME

Wellbeing

## PRAYER

Dear Lord,

Guide us with your wisdom and compassion so that we might become your true servants. Let us become your hands here on earth and touch the lives of all those around us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Servant King.

Amen

## CHAPLAINCY

### Reflection

We live in a world where people strive for high positions of power and leadership, and for fame and recognition. We live in a world where few people want to be servants. And if there are people who do serve, they often serve only because of the prospect of personal gain – in terms of money, honour, power or recognition. That is the way things are done in the world. It is often considered demeaning to serve others, and it is considered foolish to serve for nothing. But Christ requires us to take a very different view of service.

In the Coronation, King Charles vowed to serve God and the people in his public prayer:

*'God of compassion and mercy  
whose Son was sent not to be served but to serve,  
give grace that I may find in thy service perfect  
freedom and in that freedom knowledge of thy truth.'*

*Grant that I may be a blessing to all thy children, of  
every faith and conviction,  
that together we may discover the ways of gentleness  
and be led into the paths of peace.  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Amen.'

In Matthew 20 25-27, Jesus said, 'whoever wants to become great among you, must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave - just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve.'

Whenever we write formal letters, we use certain conventional endings before signing off, e.g. 'yours sincerely,' and 'yours truly.' But do you know that these endings actually originated from much longer ones? In letters that were written way back in the 1800s, the standard ending that was used was: "I beg to remain your most humble and truly obedient servant." Over time this has become shortened to: "yours truly." And so the next time you write 'yours truly,' please remember how Christ wants you to regard yourself.

Today, we might ask: **What is solidarity?** Pope John Paul II defined solidarity in one of his encyclicals on social justice. It "is not a feeling of vague compassion or shallow distress at the misfortunes of so many people, both near and far. On the contrary, it is a **firm and persevering determination to commit oneself to the common good**, that is to say, to the good of all and of each individual because we are all really responsible for all." (*Sollicitudo Rei Socialis*, 38)

Our Lord said that he came to this earth not to be served but to serve. He is the perfect King, a King who loves his subjects so deeply and truly that he serves *them*. We who are baptised into his kingship, exercise it when we love as he loved, when we serve as he served. Our Lord returned to Heaven where now he is served, both in our worship and our service to one another. Christ tells us plainly that when we serve one another, especially the suffering, the poor, and the neglected, we are serving him.



## Word of the Week

### Deduct

de/duct

dih-dukht

To subtract (or lead away from) a total.

## Numeracy Challenge 31

There have been 13 British monarchs of the United Kingdom of Britain and Northern Ireland. The length of their reigns is listed in the table below.

Name	Length of Reign (to the nearest year)
Anne	12
George I	13
George II	33
George III	59
George IV	10
William IV	7
Victoria	64
Edward VII	9
George V	26
Edward VIII	1
George VI	15
Elizabeth II	71
Charles III	1



To enter the Numeracy Challenge complete the weekly test that is set on Firefly

## Year Notices



### All Years

Thursday

Summer Barbeque

### Year 11

Friday

Leavers' Liturgy



## Clubs and Activities

### Lunchtime Activities

#### Tuesday

Ukulele (Music Room)

Year 7 Homework Club with Mrs Tankard (Room 1)

### After school Activities

#### Tuesday

Music Centre Band (4.00pm-4.45pm)

## Sport Clubs



## Fixtures & Practices

Due to Bank Holidays and Cup Fixtures there may be some football fixtures that will take place. This information will be sent via firefly once confirmed.

WC 08/05/23	Lunch Time	After School Clubs	Fixtures/Tournaments
Monday	BANK HOLIDAY	BANK HOLIDAY	
Tuesday	Badminton	Y11 GCSE Revision Year 7 5-a-side Football Trials (Boys & Girls) (Trainers only) Year 8 Football Training	
Wednesday	GCSE Intervention – (Y10/11)		
Thursday	Badminton	<u>Rounders</u> (All Years) Year 9 Football Training	
Friday			

## Year 11

### Revision Timetable

Day	Subject	Time	Venue
Mon - Fri	English	Lunchtime	Room 5
Monday	R.E.	Lunchtime	Rooms 23, 24 & 25
Wednesday	History	Lunchtime	Room 17
Mon & Tue	Drama (rehearsal)	After school	Hall
Monday	English	After school	Room 6
Tuesday	English	After school	Rooms 1, 3 & 19
Tuesday	Maths	After school	Room 10 (Higher Tier) Room 11 (Foundation)
Tuesday	R.E.	After school	Rooms 23, 24 & 25
Tuesday	Biology (Higher)	After school	Lab 3
Wednesday	English	After school	Room 2
Wednesday	History	After school	Room 17
Wednesday	Maths	After school	Room 10 (Higher Tier) Room 12 (Foundation)
Thursday	English	After school	Room 19
Thursday	Maths	After school	Room 7 (Higher Tier) Room 8 (Foundation)
Thursday	Physics (Higher)	After school	Lab 1
Thursday	R.E.	After school	Rooms 23, 24 & 25

### General Notices

**Consideration to our exam candidates:** Please show consideration to our Year 11 exam candidates by being as quiet as possible in areas close to exam venues e.g. room 4 and the Sports Hall. Pupils should not congregate at break or lunchtimes at the sides of the Sports Hall where the fire exits enable noise to enter the building.

**Year 11 Leavers' Liturgy:** Year 11 pupils are to report to their P4 lesson where they will be registered. You will then be escorted by your P4 teacher to the hall where you are to enter in silence and sit in your usual assembly seats.



## General Notices (continued)

### Arrangements for the barbeque – Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> May

Any pupils who have not pre-ordered a barbeque meal will either be able to buy the usual snacks at break or should bring a packed lunch to school. The dining room will be closed at lunchtime on this day and no food will be served. Pupils will not be able to change their minds on their choice of barbeque food after indicating their selection on ParentPay. Pupils will be issued with a ticket, by their form tutor, during am registration which must be produced at the barbeque.

- Pupils will line-up along the front of the Sports Hall in the following order: Year 11, Year 10, Year 7,
- Year 8 and Year 9. You will be called forward by a member of staff.
- The playground area in front of the Qube (including the shelter) will be divided off throughout lunchtime.
- You will circulate through a one-way system past the barbeque to collect your cooked food before
- collecting salad and pasta items from the tables.
- There will be no access to the building via the door next to the chapel during the barbeque lunchtime.
- Although no other food will be available to purchase over the lunch break, extra drinks and biscuits, will be on sale from the Qube in addition to the barbeque.
- Please remember to help our hardworking site supervisors and ensure that all litter goes in the bins.
- In the event of wet weather, barbeque food will be served via the dining room.

Mr Marsden

This week, we have been looking ahead to the hugely significant events taking place in London over the weekend, as King Charles and Queen Camilla are crowned in the historic ceremony in Westminster Abbey. Thank you to Mr Barnett for leading our special assemblies and to Mrs Holmes for preparing the resources for your PSHCE lessons. Thank you to all the staff who contributed to the bunting display which I hope you enjoyed! In Britain today, there is often a lot of attention on what divides us – whether that be politics, religion or anything else. I hope you will find the Coronation this weekend to be an opportunity to come together in a spirit of national celebration and unity. In our prayers we ask God to help King Charles and Queen Camilla as they take on these enormous responsibilities.

One negative note – recently I have received some complaints about the behaviour of a small number of pupils in the community, particularly in and around Booth's, Sainsbury's and Premier. Please don't forget – I know most of you never do – that your behaviour outside of school reflects on all of us. That is why there are sanctions in school for poor behaviour in the community, and I also advise local businesses such as the supermarkets to contact the Police if they feel this is necessary.

Have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend.

Mr Marsden

