Headteacher's Update - Friday 3rd November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Reflection

Our prayer theme for next week is:

Remembrance

"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends" John 15:13

Throughout November, we pray for and remember those who have died. This begins with the feast of All Saints (1st November) and the feast of All Souls (2nd November). Next week, leading up to Armistice Day (11th November) and Remembrance Sunday, we especially remember and give thanks for the sacrifice and suffering of those who have died in war. We owe them a debt of gratitude that we can never repay, but one which we should never forget either. The world for us could have been a very different place without them. Remembrance each year also reminds us that peace is a precious gift which we should not take for granted, and that we should work for and pray for justice and peace throughout the world.

"At the going down of the sun, and in the morning, we will remember them."

BEDE Headteacher's Commendations

Congratulations to our recipients this week:

Behaviour

Kiefer Richardson (Year 7): Modelling BEDE behaviour Henry Fielding (Year 8): Excellent manners, kindness and always being helpful

Engagement

Roman Scholes (Year 9), Genevieve Maslin, Abbie Tilford, Louise Vlasova (Year 10): Proactive engagement with work in English

Devotion

Lilah Beetham (Year 7): Kindness towards another pupil. Ethan Scot (Year 11): Donated his match fee for refereeing to Trinity Hospice.

Excellence

James Livesey (Year 10): Achieved the Chief Scout Gold award Jayden Richardson (Year 10): Personal Achievement - Under 15 Road Race and Cross Country 2022/2023 Kiefer Richardson (Year 7): Personal Achievement - Under 12 Road Race Champion 2022/23

Remembering Bella and Harrison

Thank you for supporting our non-uniform day before half-term. I am very pleased to tell you that we raised the tremendous sum of $\pounds 1664.00$, which will be shared equally between charities chosen by the families of Bella Greer and Harrison Bretherton.



Year 11 Exam Preparation Evening

We were delighted to see so many parents, carers and pupils in the hall for our exam preparation evening on Wednesday. The resources shared during the presentation are being circulated separately. You will also receive a link to a short survey inviting your feedback on the event, which is of great value to us in developing future sessions.

Presentation Evening

We are looking forward to seeing last year's Year 11, our 'Class of 2023', at the Lowther Pavilion on Thursday 9th November for our annual Presentation Evening. Our Guest of Honour will be Mrs Caron Walker, our much-loved Deputy Headteacher who retired earlier this year. If you have a child who left Saint Bede's in Year 11 this summer, please see the invitation issued separately.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr P Marsden Headteacher