

Headteacher's Update – Monday 20th November 2023



Dear Parents/Carers

Reflection

Our prayer theme for this week is:

Do Not Worry

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?

Matthew 6:25

Attendance Update

Please see below our whole-school attendance level for the current week and the academic year overall, which you can compare to the attendance level of your child in Class Charts.

Whole-school attendance this week: 93%

Whole-school attendance this year: 94%

BEDE Headteacher's Commendations

Congratulations to our recipients this week:

Devotion:

Jacob Holmes, India Verdi (Year 7), Francesca Bickerdike, Hettie Bridgeman, Elliot Dacre, Molly Emsley, Scarlett Gillions, Katie Heath, Bea Smith, Lilly Whiteside (Year 8), Elena Duffill, Pedro Gomez-Guerrero, James Livesey (Year 10), Joseph Fenton (Year 11): Representing school during Remembrance Services.

Excellence:

Evie Abberley, Isabelle Heslop, Samuel Marlow-Wrigley, Bea Smith (Year 8), Ella Flanagan (Year 10): Appearing in the production of Nativity the Musical.

Gabriella Arciniega (Year 9): Gymnastics - English Championships

Ofsted Inspection

Please see below my Headteacher's message to parents and carers regarding our Ofsted inspection, which was issued on Friday.

As you are aware, this week Saint Bede's was visited by Ofsted for a routine inspection. I would like to thank you for the many supportive messages we have received from parents/carers over the course of the week. Thank you also to the large number of you who responded to the feedback survey at such short notice, which is another example of the very high levels of parental engagement and support we are fortunate to enjoy at Saint Bede's. I would also like to thank our pupils for their excellent standards of behaviour and engagement, which as you would expect were clearly evident to the two inspectors throughout the course of their visit.

I will share the report with you when it is published in a few weeks time.

Year 11 Mock Exams

The Mock Exam season has begun today with Art and Music, with Drama to follow later this week. Written exams begin in the Sports Hall next week. Good luck everyone!

598 Bus Service

We have received the below information from Walton's Coaches, who operate the 598 school bus service:

From 27th November until 10th December, the main road in Kirkham will be closed completely for works to be carried out. As a result of this, we will have to divert the 598 service as we did when the sewer collapsed. The temporary route will be to collect as normal from The Willows on Ribby Road, then divert down Mellor Road and up through Wesham to resume the route to Freckleton.

Year 7 Assembly with PCSO Gary Hickman

Please note that following a postponement last week, our local Police Community Support Officer Gary Hickman will now be visiting Saint Bede's to talk to Year 7 pupils about the important topic of knife crime on **Wednesday 29th November**.

Have a good week.

Mr P Marsden
Headteacher