

Reflection

“Then he said to them, ‘Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?’” (Mk 4:40)

Even though situations may arise that make us afraid, God wants to reassure us that He will be with us in everything. He wants us to have faith, and the good news is that we only need to ask for it.

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: 90%

Whole-school attendance this year: 92%

BEDE Headteacher's Commendations

Congratulations to our recipients this week:

Behaviour: **Sienna Shearer (Year 7):** Excellent behaviour and attitude

Excellence: **Tobias Choudhury, Lena Dabrowska, Jack Frew, Lila McCombie, Sophie Newton and Jaron Thomas (Year 7):** Modelling Bede behaviour
Molly Emsley and Sol Goncalves (Year 9): Amazing participation in a French Play by Onatti Theatre Productions

Devotion: **Christopher Robinson (Year 8):** Volunteering for D-Day Anniversary Events

Engagement: **Isobel Brown, Abi Cassidy, Lila McCombie (Year 7), Elise Heron, Emilia Pendleton (Year 8), Chloe Corcoran (Year 9) Lucinda Farrell (Year 10) and Niamh Heron (Year 11):** Contribution to a fantastic performance of Les Misérables at Lowther Pavilion Theatre
Lorna-Jane Bell (Year 8): UKMT Team Maths Challenge

Thank you, Year 11!

We have finally reached the end of the exam season for Year 11, which culminated with the traditional 'Prom' at Ribby Hall on Thursday night. This was a wonderful occasion and I am incredibly grateful to Mrs N Kelly, who with the support of Mr Langley invested many hours of work organising the event.

Our departing Year 11 have been a fantastic group to work with over the last 5 years, and this continued though the revision and exam period. I am particularly grateful for the excellent example they have set for younger pupils to follow in the years ahead.

We wish all our Year 11s a very enjoyable summer and look forward to celebrating their successes on Results Day in August.

Welcome to Father Stephen Pearson

We have recently welcomed Father Stephen Pearson as our new Priest Chaplain. Father Stephen, who has replaced Father John as Parish Priest at St Anne's, Westby and Holy Family, Warton, has begun to lead our weekly 8am Mass in the Chapel on Tuesday mornings. All pupils who are able to arrive at school at this time are welcome to join us.

Year 10 Mock Interviews

It has been an exciting day for our Year 10 pupils as they undertook their Mock Interviews. We were very grateful for the support of a number of visitors from a range of employment backgrounds, as well as our very own Mrs Tankard and Miss Tankard, who acted as the teaching and architecture experts! It was very pleasing to hear the positive feedback our guests provided on the articulate and enthusiastic way our pupils approached the interviews. A huge thank you to Miss Bolton who coordinated what was an extremely successful and well-organised event.

New Intake Evening

We are very much looking forward to welcoming parents/carers and pupils joining Saint Bede's in September 2024 to our New Intake Evening on Wednesday 26th June. The event will begin at 6.30pm in the school hall.

Acceptable school shoes – September 2024

A reminder that from September 2024 we will be properly enforcing our policy regarding school shoes. In particular, 'trainer-type' shoes, including the 'Air Force 1' shoe by Nike, will no longer be acceptable. We hope that these new expectations will be helpful to parents and carers, by removing the pressure to purchase extremely expensive designer trainers.

A leaflet which clearly illustrates shoe designs and styles which will be acceptable from September is enclosed with this update.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr P Marsden
Headteacher