



## Headteacher's Update – Friday 18th March 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

### Headteacher's Commendations

Congratulations to our recipients this week:

**Alexander Wood (Year 7)** - Excellent Resilience

**Vinny Palmer (Year 7)** - Leadership and encouragement to others

**Liam Clitherow (Year 9)** - All Stars Jujitsu Competition

**Luca Hurst (Year 7), Joshua Leak (Year 8), Maddie Robinson (Year 9), Joseph Ball, Tristan Bradoo (Year 11)** - Outstanding contribution in Geography

**Shakeel Ali (Year 8)** - Outstanding contribution in all lessons

**Francesca Burrough, Gabriella Heys, Darcey Tate (Year 7), Laura Dilks, Lucija Filjak (Year 10)** - Outstanding contribution in R.E.

**Abigail Malone (Year 10)** - Outstanding homework in R.E.

### Year 11 Exam Preparation

We have been delighted with the high levels of engagement with our programme of lunchtime and after-school revision sessions for Year 11 pupils. A reminder of the schedule is included in the weekly pupil bulletin circulated via Firefly. We will also be offering extended revision sessions in school during the Easter holidays for some subjects. Further details will be issued shortly.

Next week also sees the beginning of a fortnight of in-class assessments for Year 11 pupils. This is an important part of the process of pupils getting ready for the challenge of formal examinations in the summer, and we are grateful for your support in ensuring your child prepares for these assessments properly.

### Saint Bede's and 'The Bard'

Earlier this week, 16 of our Year 8 pupils performed at The Grand Theatre, Blackpool, as part of a Shakespeare festival. After many weeks of rehearsals, our pupils took to the stage alongside other Fylde Coast schools to perform their interpretation of scenes from 'Much Ado About Nothing.' Congratulations to all pupils involved and thank you to Miss Murphy for her work in preparing the pupils and supporting them on the day.

### Year 9 Options

It was wonderful to see so many pupils, parents and carers at our Year 9 Options Information Evening in the hall on Wednesday. I hope you found the session useful. The Options Information Booklet, as well as the presentation shared on the evening, is being circulated separately via Firefly.

### Year 10 Parents' Evening

We are looking forward to meeting with Year 10 pupils, parents and carers at our forthcoming Parents' Evening, which will be held remotely on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March. Further information regarding the event and how to arrange appointments will be issued separately.

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### **Punctuality**

Excellent attendance and punctuality are a crucial characteristic of 'Being a Bede.' I am grateful that the overwhelming majority of pupils achieve this each day.

Arriving at school promptly in the morning for Form Period or Assembly is particularly important. Please remind your child that pupils are expected to be in their form classroom (or Assembly on the relevant day) at **8.55am**. Where this is not the case, the below sanctions apply:

- Pupils arriving between 8.55am and 9.10am **on three occasions in any half-term** are issued with a 30 minute after-school detention.
- Pupils arriving after 9.10am are issued with an **automatic 30 minute after-school detention**.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr P Marsden  
Headteacher