

ST. BEDE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Covid 19

As you are aware, we are maintaining a cautious approach in relation to this; particularly as we approach the colder winter months. Staff in school are once again wearing masks when in communal areas, thorough cleaning continues, school visits to indoor places where members of the public are also present are being postponed. Assemblies, prayer and liturgy are being held in the hall with each class kept separate. We are grateful too, to parents for ensuring that their children do not come into school if they are poorly and arranging a swift collection if children do become unwell at school. Thank you for your continued support.

Anti-Bullying Week

Kindness is more important today than it has ever been. The isolation of the last year has underlined how little acts of consideration can break down barriers and brighten the lives of the people around us. This is one of the reasons that 'One Kind Word' was chosen as the theme of Anti-Bullying Week. The children will focus on a range of aspects linked to anti-bullying in class and we will be trying to 'catch' the children being kind; giving them cards each time we do! The children can wear odd socks on Wednesday too – it's a great way to celebrate what makes each of us unique!

Youth FunDay (Formerly Youth Friday)

On Friday we will celebrate World Youth Day – with the specific view of raising money for the Youth Ministry Team. The services they offer have naturally been affected by Covid and school closures. The children can wear a hoodie on this day with their uniform if they want to and all we ask for is a £1 voluntary donation in return, payable by SchoolMoney. This money will be sent directly to the Youth Ministry Team as a small token of our appreciation for all the work they have done and continue to do with the children from our Diocese.

Book Donations

Thank you so much to those who have donated books to our school library! We appreciate this enormously and I will be working alongside the School Council to distribute them into our classrooms over the next couple of weeks.

School Council

The School Council have recently written to our local MP, Mr Jones – to highlight the issue of traffic and the lack of any physical crossing near our school. We are still waiting for a reply – but will keep you up to date with any news as and when it comes in!

Remembrance Month

Class 4 children led our service of remembrance last week – they really were amazing. We will continue to remember loved ones who have passed away each week when we gather – so thanks to all those who sent in dedications for our 'Remembrance Book'.

Cold Weather

As the weather continues to get colder – I'd like to send a reminder to all parents to ensure your child(ren) are wearing their coats on a daily basis. It can get very cold on the yard – and we do not have spare coats etc in school. Please ensure any hats, gloves etc are clearly named too!

Boots

The Big Smile - A huge thank you to Keiron Young from the Walk and Talk Trust who visited school on last Tuesday to present our Year 6 children with their new walking boots. Needless to say, the children were delighted with their gifts and it brought plenty of smiles to the faces of the staff who walked 15 miles to raise money for them back in the summer holidays. Many thanks to everyone who supported us with a donation!

Parent Governor

A vacancy has arisen for a parent governor. If you wish to be considered for this role please contact the school office no later than 19th November to register your interest.

Adam Bushnell

The author Adam Bushnell will be in school this week – delivering creative writing workshops across all classes. I'm sure the children will have a great time learning new things!

Wishing all our families a great week – take care and stay safe.

Mrs Clarke

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