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NEWSLETTER

GOSPEL VALUES

During our assembly this morning, we reflected on the Gospel value of trust. We listened to how Jesus encouraged his disciples to trust in God, even as he prepared to leave them. His message reminds us that trust gives us strength and helps guide us through times of uncertainty.

We also shared the story of The Boy Who Cried Wolf, which helped us understand the importance of honesty and being trustworthy. Through this story, we explored how our words and actions affect others, and how building trust is an important part of growing up.

Our assembly was also a time to celebrate the winners of the Merit Award this week. Well done to those children selected by their teachers.



BANK HOLIDAY

A reminder to parents that school will be closed on Monday 4th May for the May Bank Holiday. School will re-open as usual on Tuesday 5th May.

SUN SAFETY

As the weather gets warmer, we kindly remind parents to help children stay safe in the sun. Please ensure your child brings a sun hat to school, has suncream applied before arrival and a refillable water bottle to stay hydrated throughout the day. Thank you for your support in keeping everyone safe and comfortable during the sunny days ahead.



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SUMMER PRODUCTION

Rehearsals for our upcoming summer production, 'School-O-Vision Song Contest', are now well underway! The children have been enthusiastically preparing and all pupils have now been assigned their parts and given their lines to learn.

We kindly ask for your support in ensuring that your child practises their lines regularly at home. This is essential in helping them build confidence and ensuring the success of the performance.

The show will take place on Tuesday 30th June at 6:00pm in the Community Hall.

Tickets will be going on sale soon, priced at £10 for adults, with a concession rate of £5 for OAPs and students. Included in the price will be a link forwarded to parents where they can download a multi-cam recording of the production.

DAVID ATTENBOROUGH DAY

Next Friday, on the 8th of May, we will be celebrating the 100th birthday of Sir David Attenborough and his remarkable contribution to education about the natural world. Children and staff can come to school dressed up to mark the occasion.

LITTLE STARS TODDLER GROUP

Since starting up in September, the toddler group has grown from strength to strength with approximately 10 toddlers attending regularly each week. There's always room for some more so please help us to spread the word to any parents with children at pre-school age. The group runs every Thursday morning during term time from 9:30-11:00am in the school hall and it continues to be free of charge.

ATTENTION YEAR 5 PARENTS

St. Bede's have arranged a taster day on Wednesday 13th May. The day is designed to give Year 5 pupils a feel for senior school life through a range of lessons and activities. Interested parents can book directly with the school at their email address:

admissions@sbcm.co.uk

Four of our Year 5 pupils have been selected to attend St. Bede's for a 'Mathemagic Challenge' later on this month where they will compete against other schools in what promises to be a fun and engaging event.



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CLASS NEWS



Pre-Prep

Another fun filled and busy week in Pre-Prep. We had a great session in the garden on Monday finishing building the den that we collected the sticks for on the previous week's forest school outing. We also made some great observations of the caterpillars we are looking after, and made some fun caterpillar models in our art lessons.

Year 1/2

Well done everyone on a very busy and productive week. There has been lots of hard work done in our English lessons finishing the work on the story of the Very Hungry Caterpillar and completing another section in our caterpillar life-cycle booklets. In Science we wrote up the experiment that we started last week - observing the effects of growing runner beans in different mediums. We really enjoyed a fun morning working hard for Mr Usher focussing on flags of the world on a topic relating to this year's football World Cup.

Year 4/5

This week, Year 4 and 5 have moved from fractions to decimals, learning how the two are linked and practising how to read and write decimal numbers correctly. It has been great to see their understanding grow as they become more confident with place value. In Science, the class began reading *The Jamie Drake Equation* by Christopher Edge, linking their learning to space and sparking discussions about concepts such as the "Goldilocks Zone," where conditions may be right for life.

Year 6

It's been another great week in Year 6. The children loved canoeing along the River Mersey on Monday afternoon and writing about their experience through poetry on Wednesday. In Maths, they covered ratio and proportion and applied their knowledge to real-life problems. They continued to use pastels during Art and learnt how to use a finger to blend and shade to soften edges and create depth. The P.E lesson this week focussed on tennis and the children practised holding a rally.

Extra Activities

Monday

Chess Club - Mr Usher - FREE
After-school (3.05pm-3.45pm)

Tuesday

Computing Club - Mr Brown FREE
After-school (3.05 pm – 3.45 pm)

Gardening Club - Mrs Jones - FREE
(Lunchtime for all ages)

Wednesday

Multi-Sports Club - An after-school club led
by coaches
from Stockport County C.T. - Year 1 and
upwards - £3.50 per session (3.05 pm – 4 pm)

Speech Club - Mrs Mesagno - £8 per sessions
(Lunchtime for Year 3-6)

Thursday

Art Club - Mrs Baldwin - £10 per session
(Lunchtime club for all ages.)



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Time and further details
Monday 4th May	BANK HOLIDAY	School closed
Monday 11th May	Key Stage 2- Educational Visit to the Museum of Science and Industry-Cosmic Chaos	9:05-3:00pm Packed lunch needed Full school uniform
Monday 18th May	Year 6 – Venture Out	1:00-3:00pm
Wednesday 20th May	Mathemagics Challenge at St. Bedes 4 Year 5 pupils attending	9:00-4:00pm
Friday 22nd May	LAMDA examinations	
Friday 22nd May	3:05pm School closes for Whit holiday	School closes for 2 weeks
Monday 8th June	School opens for Summer 2	8:00am
Tuesday 9th June	Greater Manchester Fire Service workshop for KS2	1:00pm
Wednesday 10th June	Pre-Prep and Key Stage 1 educational visit to the Bridgewater Hall to see the Halle Orchestra	Leave school at 11:00am Return to school at 3:00pm Packed lunch required
Thursday 17th June	Key Stage 2 go to the Palace Theatre to watch Annie	Leave school at 1:30pm Return to school at 6:00pm
Wednesday 24th June	Sports Day	1:30pm St. John’s playing field
Friday 26th June	Dress rehearsal for the Summer Production	12:00-2:00pm at the Community Hall (No KS2 swimming today)
Tuesday 30th June	Summer Production-The School-O-Vision Song Contest	6:00pm @ Heaton Mersey Community Hall
Thursday 2nd July	Transition morning	Children to meet their new teacher
Tuesday 7th July	Pre-Prep + Key Stage 1 Assembly	9:30am School hall
Wednesday 8th July	Year 4+5 Assembly	9:30am School hall
Thursday 9th July	Year 6 Assembly	2:00pm School hall
Thursday 9th July	End of year pupil progress reports to go home	
Friday 10th July	Year 6 bowling at Parris Wood	9:30-11:00am
Friday 10th July	School closes for the Summer Holiday	12:00 noon