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# NEWSLETTER

## GOSPEL VALUES

During assembly today, we explored the theme of 'Stewardship' and discussed how we can care for the world around us. Through the story of Noah's Ark, the children reflected on the importance of looking after God's creation, including animals, nature and our environment. We talked about simple ways we can all help to care for the Earth, such as reducing waste, recycling and showing respect for the world we share.

As always, we celebrated our Merit Award winners for children who have demonstrated any of our Gospel Values in and around the school this week. Well done to these children who have made their teachers particularly proud this week.



## DAVID ATTENBOROUGH DAY

It was especially fitting that our focus on Stewardship coincided with celebrations for David Attenborough as he celebrates his 100th birthday. During the morning, the children took part in a range of activities linked to his work and his love of the natural world, helping them to reflect on the beauty and importance of our planet. Through discussions and learning activities, the children explored ways that we can all help to protect the environment and care for living things.



## EDUCATIONAL VISIT

A gentle reminder that the children in Key Stage 2 will be attending the Museum of Science and Industry on Monday. We ask that they wear full school uniform and bring a packed lunch in a disposable carrier bag.



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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 from Monday 8th June, 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.

## ATTENTION YEAR 5 PARENTS

A message from Manchester High School for Girls. Our taster events offer Year 5 girls the opportunity to familiarise themselves with Manchester High School for Girls and take part in fun activities. We are delighted to invite Year 5 girls from Stella Maris School to attend one of our taster events on either Saturday 9th May from 10am to 12 noon or Thursday 14th May from 5pm to 7pm.

St. Bede's have also arranged a taster day on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:admissions@sbcm.co.uk)

Please let Mr Brown know if your child will be attending the St. Bede's Taster Day so he can record the appropriate code on the register.

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# CLASS NEWS

## Pre-Prep

We have had a fun week in Pre-Prep, busy making caterpillar models, using junk modelling techniques and paint to decorate. We really enjoyed having some of the Year 6 children come and read to us in the mornings, listening carefully to the story being told and responding with questions and comments relevant to the text.

## Year 1/2

We have been busy this week working on our knowledge of partitioning numbers in our Maths lessons and finding different ways to record 'tens and units' using practical and written methods. In English we learnt about how to answer a comprehension question by writing a full sentence that includes part of the question to ensure it made sense. A tricky skill but a very important one!

## Year 4/5

This week, the children have been learning about the life and work of Sir David Attenborough, celebrating the 100th birthday of one of the world's most famous naturalists. They explored his remarkable career and discussed his important role in raising awareness of climate change and protecting our planet. Inspired by his storytelling, the class wrote their own nature reports. In Maths, they have begun their new geometry unit, focusing on understanding and measuring angles and learning how to use protractors accurately.

## Year 6

Year 6 have really enjoyed their learning this week. During Maths they have looked at interpreting and drawing line graphs and advanced bar charts. They found some of the work a bit tricky but with perseverance and practise they were able to master the concepts taught. They loved their art lesson using pastels to create their own galaxy of planets and stars on Thursday.

# 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

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time and further details</b>
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
Wednesday 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 Parrs Wood	9:30-11:00am
Friday 10th July	School closes for the Summer Holiday	12:00 noon