

# ST. BEDE C. E. PRIMARY ACADEMY SUMMER 2 NEWSLETTER

## Introduction

Another school year is almost over at St. Bede, however there are still lots of activities yet to take place including our annual Sports Days, Year 6 production, leavers' service and end of year trips. Thank you for your support throughout this school year.

## Staffing

There have not been many staff changes recently however we are very pleased to welcome back Mrs Ashton, Miss Stirzaker and Miss Elsworth from their maternity leave. We have, however, been doing quite a lot of recruiting in preparation for September and we can now announce some new appointments:

Mrs Ashton will be our new SENCO working at St. Bede three days a week and at Tonge Moor two days a week; Mrs Drake will be phase leader for Early Years; Mrs Greenwood will be phase leader for Years 1 to 3; Mr Briggs will be moving to Tonge Moor for an exciting new opportunity; Mrs Kelleher will be Junior Deputy at Tonge Moor; Mrs Liprot, Miss Jenkinson, Miss Ladva and Miss Penarski will be joining us as class teachers.

Sadly some staff will be leaving us at the end of the school year: Miss Trimble will be taking up a managerial role at a school in Manchester and Mrs Briggs and Miss Mitchell are taking up roles at other primary schools. Miss Sowerby will also be leaving us. We wish them all well and please keep in touch!

## Trips and Events

Our children in Year 6 are once again having a trip to the theatre and this year they are travelling to Liverpool to see 'Annie' on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June. The children (and the teachers) are extremely excited about this forthcoming opportunity linked to their summer production.

To celebrate the end of the school year our Reception children will be visiting Farmer Ted's on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July. The children will have the opportunity to explore the farm and take part in planned activities.

Our Nursery children are visiting Smithills Open Farm on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July to gain first hand experiences of farm animals in their own

environment. They will even get the opportunity to feed and handle some of the baby animals. They are also celebrating the end of the school year with a Fancy Dress Party on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July, there will be a party for both the morning and afternoon sessions.

## Sports Days

Our Sports Days will take place week beginning Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June on the field opposite school. The timetable for the week is below:

Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Year 5	9:30am – 11:00am
	Year 3	1:30pm – 3:00pm
Tue 25 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Year 2	9:30am – 11:00am
	Year 6	1:30pm – 3:00pm
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Early Years Nursery AM Meerkats, Elephants & Lions	9:30am - 11:00am
	Early Years Nursery PM Giraffes, Zebras & Crocodiles	1:30pm – 3:00pm
Thu 27 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Year 1	9:30am – 11:00am
	Year 4	1:30pm – 3:00pm

For the year groups taking part in the morning sessions, children can come to school dressed ready in their P.E. kits. Children taking part in the afternoon sessions will get changed at school. If the day looks like it is going to be sunny then children will need to bring a sunhat and come to school with sunscreen, and don't forget to bring a water bottle. If the weather is poor, Sports Day will be postponed until the following week (week beginning Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July). We will keep parents/carers informed of any Sports Days which are postponed and re-scheduled via our Twitter feed @StBedeCEPrimary.

Please feel free to bring a chair or picnic blanket along to sit on whilst watching and please be mindful that there are no toilet facilities. Unfortunately, due

to safeguarding, school toilets are only available for our children who will be accompanied by a member of staff.

### Attendance

Our attendance to date is currently 96.06%, which is just short of our target of 96.5%. It is disappointing that parents are still taking their children out of school during term time on unauthorised holiday. For children to achieve their full potential they do need to be in school each day, on time. Please help us, and your child, by ensuring that their attendance remains at a minimum of 96.5% to allow them to achieve this. **School Matters ... if your child Attends Today, they will Achieve Tomorrow.**

### The Friends of St. Bede (PTA)

The PTA Summer Evening this year will take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July at 2:30pm in the main playground. Children will be allowed to be collected earlier that day, and a letter will be sent out shortly with details.

### Ear Piercing

Just a reminder for children wishing to have their ears pierced, the summer holidays is a great time for this. Ears can be pierced at the beginning of the holidays and earrings can be safely removed for the start of the new term in September. Please do not send your child into school with earrings, even if they are covered by a plaster, or plastic studs. For more information please refer to our school uniform policy.

### Dinner Monies

From w/c 24<sup>th</sup> June a member of the finance team will visit St. Bede each Monday to deal with dinner monies and any change which is owed to parents will be dealt with as follows:

- Dinner money received on a Monday which requires change will be dealt with the same day.
- Dinner money received on a Tuesday to Friday which requires change will be dealt with the following Monday.

**FROM MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER NO CHANGE WILL BE GIVEN BACK TO PARENTS, IT WILL BE CARRIED FORWARD AS PAYMENT TOWARDS THE FOLLOWING WEEK'S DINNER MONEY.**

### Parking at Morris Dancers Pub

From Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June the car park at the Morris Dancers Pub will become a permit holder car park only, which means parents will be unable to park their cars there when dropping off/collecting children from school. Can parents also be mindful when parking their cars on the streets surrounding the school. Thank you.

### Spring Bank Holiday – May 2020

The Government recently announced that the Bank Holiday, set for Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020, will be switched to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day. Please can you make a note of this change. An updated holiday timetable will be sent out shortly.

### Summer School (Year 5 children only)

For the last few years we have offered a free 'Summer School' opportunity, during the summer holidays, to the children in the Year 5 cohort. The 'Summer School' will run from Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July to Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August on the mornings of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in both of the two weeks. We will offer Reading, Writing and Maths lessons each day from 9:30am until 12:00 noon. A letter was recently sent out with a reply slip for children wanting to attend.

### Dates for your Diary

w/c 24 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Sports Days
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> Jun	9:00am - 2T assembly
Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jul	Year 1 Audiology Tests
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jul	Year 1 Audiology Tests
	9:00am - 5P assembly
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Jul	'Moving-Up' morning
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> Jul	9:00am 3H assembly
	6:30pm Year 6 Production
Thu 11 <sup>th</sup> Jul	6:30pm Year 6 Production
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Jul	9:30am Year 6 Leavers' Service – St. Bede's Church

### And finally ...

School will close for the summer holidays at 3:15pm on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July and re-opens on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 8:55am.

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My child is in Class.....