A weekly newsletter for children, parents, staff and governors of St. Bede's ...

St. Boniface said of St. Bede that 'he shone forth like a lantern.'

# The Lantern



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#### Wednesday 20th December

#### Dear Everyone

A busy last three days in school with a Carol Concert and parties. Great fun for everyone.

The entire school team wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

God Bless

Gary

#### He's Behind You ...

The pantomimes in school last Friday were great fun. Here is what some of the children said:

My favourite part was when the beast slurped his soup!

Michaela in Reception

It was really good how the actors trusted one another in performing the show. It made me feel anything is possible!

Sabrina Y4

I loved the Panto. I enjoyed singing the songs and doing the cool 'hairy hula' dance moves.

Micaella PY5

I thought the pantomime was very creative. I loved the story and the twists. The acting was engaging.

Sean Y6

I thought the beast was a baddie but he was good. I liked it when Belle found her way home.

Jayden 2BP

The children were beautifully behaved even though things did get a bit boisterous at times, as Pantomimes tend to do!

#### **Dates for The Diary**

#### Tuesday 2nd January

School returns

No clubs or tutoring or Lexia first week back

Friday 12th January 2.45 pm

5C Class Assembly

#### Christmas Jumpers

It was great to see staff and children in their Christmas Jumpers on Friday and a tidy sum was collected for the charity, SENSE.

#### Choir

The Choir sang beautifully for the old folks at the local Care Home this week. Have song, will travel.

#### **School League Tables**

These were published last week and I am pleased to say St Bede's was ranked third in Redbridge. Huge congratulations to everyone involved and most especially to the children, who are now enjoying Year 7!

#### Year 2

Year 2 presented the nativity story for us at Monday's school carol concert. If you were unable to make it, they are going to present it again at St Bede's Church at 5.15pm on Sunday.

Please do not park over our neighbours' drives.

We and they would be so grateful.

## **Thought for The Week**

There is such pressure on Mums and Dads these days to make sure their children have the 'perfect' Christmas. But for some of our families this Christmas time, life will get in the way. Real life can be messy and sometimes inconvenient and very different to the Christmas card scenes. People don't stop getting ill at Christmas and money worries don't magically disappear. We have a number of families for whom life is tough at the moment for a variety of reasons. We pray for them this Christmas time. Before they know it, it will be New Year with all the promise that spring brings. We pray that they will hang on in there and keep going—because sometimes keeping going is the only thing we can do.

#### 2018!

We have lots of enjoyable events in store for 2018. We plan to record the choir singing and instrumentalists playing and the School Council will be invited to market the CDs that emerge as a result. I do hope you will wish to support this venture by buying one. All proceeds will go to the school charity, SENSE, which is the charity for Deaf Blind Children. We have an all new Y6 production to present in the summer as we ring the changes from Barnum, which ended its three year run last summer. Year 4 will present The Easter Story in Church and Year 5 will present Pentecost for their parents too. There are trips out to look forward to: Y6 go to the Isle of Wight and Y4 are off to Harry Potter World. Y5 will have a day of retreat prior to starting in Y6. In the summer, we will be visited by some real life British Olympians. There will be author visits too and the return of circus week. These are just a few of the highlights to come.

### Vacancies

We currently have three vacancies for additional midday assistants. The posts are advertised on our website.

#### Head Teacher's Award

Brandon Borra

Brendan Osei-Agyemang

Harry Wood

#### Lantern Certificates-very well done!

Demi Alo; Kyra Baker; Jakub Bojanowski; Riley Gould; Daniella Kebianyor; Jeshuran Lawrence; Uyiosa Okungbowa; Damilola Oloruntele; Kammalunna Onyekonwu; Chelsea Sampson; Elon Ssegi; Alishya Konala; Ramone Monahan-Tayo; Jimmy Perkins; Arianna Suthakar; Michael Iloh; Lucas Altham; Kamila Gawron; Diya Gill; Cordell Ibidapo; Jamie Martinez; Tia Harford; Harry Kirwan; Conrad Szewczyk

School Meals Menu 3 Tuesday Options when we return from holidays.