

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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Friday 9th November

Dear Families

School is very busy at the moment. Lots going on!

God Bless

Gary Nott Katherine Roberts

Head teacher Deputy Head teacher

Anti-Bullying Week

Silly Socks Day Thursday November 15th

Next week in school we celebrate anti-bullying week. Each class will get to take part in a workshop led by the Redbridge Drama Centre and there will be lessons on the theme too. To finish the week, children may come in silly socks on Thursday 15th in exchange for a donation of 50p. For every 50p donated we will give half to the national Anti Bullying Charity and half to the Children in Need Charities, who are holding their annual fund raising events in the same week.

Saturday School 9.00-11.00am

Saturday School for children invited from Y2 begins tomorrow. The children will be being taught how to read carefully and answer test style questions on what they have read. Please be kind enough to collect your child promptly at 11.00 am.

We are grateful to staff, children and parents for making the extra effort to come to school at the weekend! It will be worth it.

Parking On The Zig Zags

Please do not stop in your car on the Zig-Zags to drop children off or pick up. This is a safety hazard. I have received a complaint from a parent this week on this matter. Please do have consideration for parents wishing to cross safely with children. We have informed the Local Council of the problem; they have the authority to issue penalty fines.

Sunday 25th November 11.00 am International Mass

All invited to come along in national costume or colours of their country.

Dates for The Diary

Saturday 10th November 9.00-11.00

Y2 Saturday School

Monday 12th November

Anti-bullying week

Thursday 15th November

Reception and Y6 Height and Weight Checks

4.00-7.00pm Y2 Parent/ Teacher Consultation Evening

6.30 PA AGM

Friday 16th November

School Photographer—Individuals and Family Groups

Saturday 17th November 9.00-11.00 am

Y2 Saturday School

Friday 23rd November

9.15 Parent Advocates Meeting

Deadline for return of Samaritan's Purse Christmas Boxes

2.45pm 4H Class Assembly

Saturday 24th November

Y2 Saturday School

Thought For The Week

This week's Gospel story told us the two greatest commandments. We talked about what they meant in assembly with the children. The second, to love thy neighbour as one loves oneself is hard to do if one does not love oneself very much! We all carry baggage and make mistakes but until we learn to love ourselves, we cannot begin to love others as we ought. We can only come to love ourselves through God's healing powers—through prayer and through the sacraments. There's hope for all sinners— we're all in the same boat after all!

Rearranged Parents' Evening

The Y2 parents evening that had to be cancelled last week has been rearranged for Thursday 15th November. The same appointment times apply and can be rechecked by logging back into the system. It's a different date but the same times. Thank you.

Some reminders. Thank you.

Parents in Reception, Years 1 and 2 and of Junior pupils entitled to Free School Meals - if you pre-order a lunch at home please do not then send your child in with a packed lunch. The catering company will charge the school for a lunch which has been pre-ordered even if it is not used.

Please ensure all those adults who can collect your child(ren) are added to your collection list. This also applies to after school tutoring/clubs. We have had a number of parents make different arrangements for collections by adults who are not on their list. If your arrangements change, please write to your child's class teacher.

If your child is off sick, please ensure you call the school office (option 1) to report this. You can leave a message on the answerphone before 8.30am. Thank you

SATS Meetings

This week we saw parent information evenings for Y2 and Y6. These sessions were important. The better our parents understand what the children will be tested upon, the better the children can be supported at home. So much of their learning has to take place outside of school and the children need the full support of their families.

Lantern Certificates—Very Well Done!Chelsea A; Jaida; Sean C; Alfred; Ciara; Kayden; Emily; Mosiah; Aurelia; Eden; Zaine; Stacey; Amelie; Louisa; Dumebi; Ikechukwu; Eadie; Francesca O; Benjamin O; Faith; Sienna-Rose; Brooke; Rebecca; Sochima; Evie; Sean L; Amarachi; Elijah V; William Z

Love in a Box - Christmas Campaign

There is still time to prepare your box and get it to us here in school. Your support for this very worthy cause is much appreciated.