

WHAT'S THE LATEST FROM ST BEDE'S?

We have had a wonderful start to the new year at St Bede's. Our Year 7 children have brought a fantastic energy and joy to the school. Already this year there have been exciting lessons, sporting achievements and individual successes both in and out of school. In addition, we had a very successful open evening. You can see all the pictures along with many more stories on our twitter page @stbedes1957.

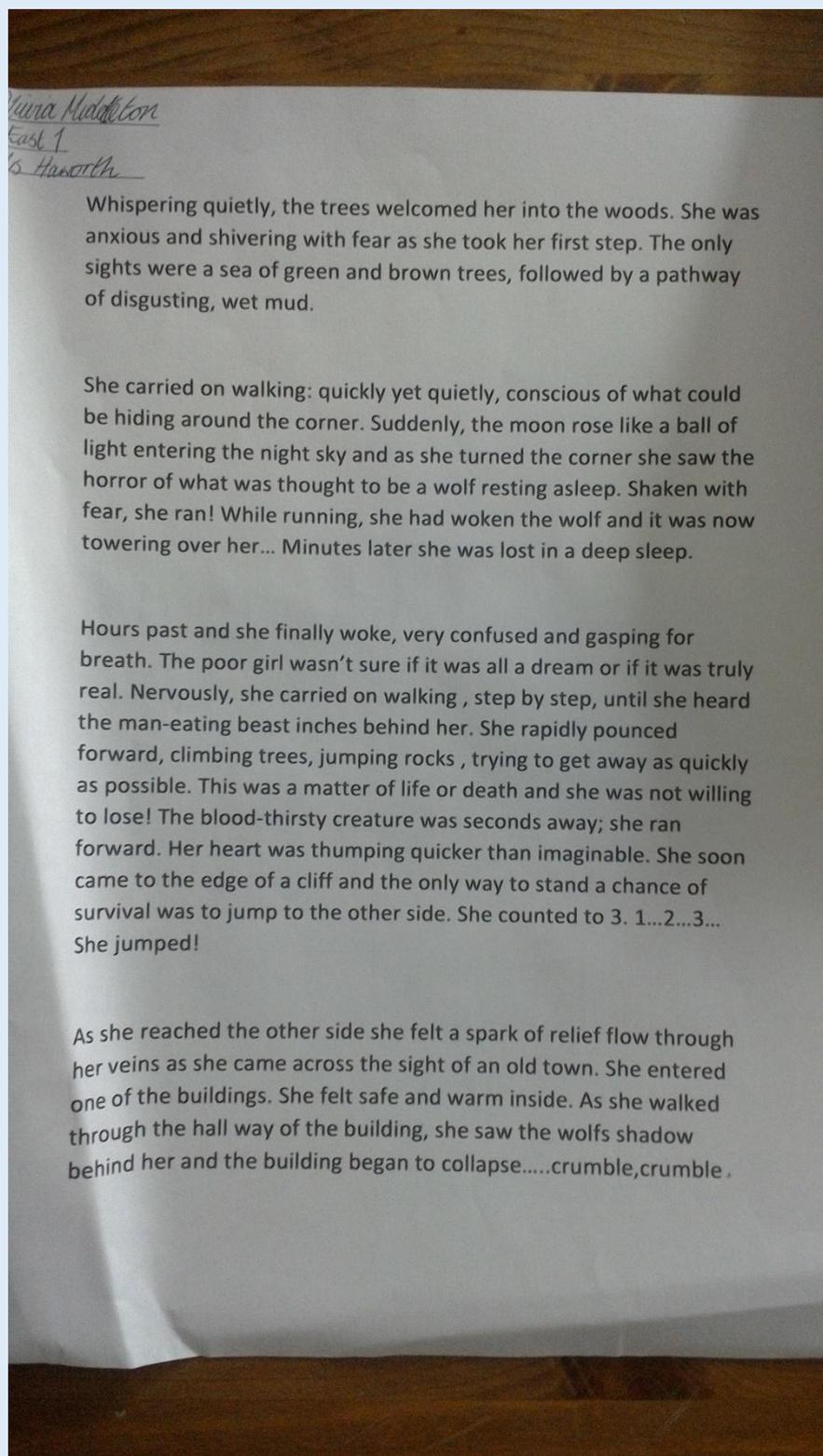
In the classroom

9 West 2 are learning how to discuss healthy lifestyles, and today for their starter, they got to taste 4 different types of German chocolate, and then had to say what they thought of it! Opinions ranged from total lecker (really tasty!) to ekelhaft (disgusting!)



Our new English teacher, Mrs Haworth has made a fabulous impression already and her students are certainly producing great work. Mrs Haworth shared some great work with me and added:

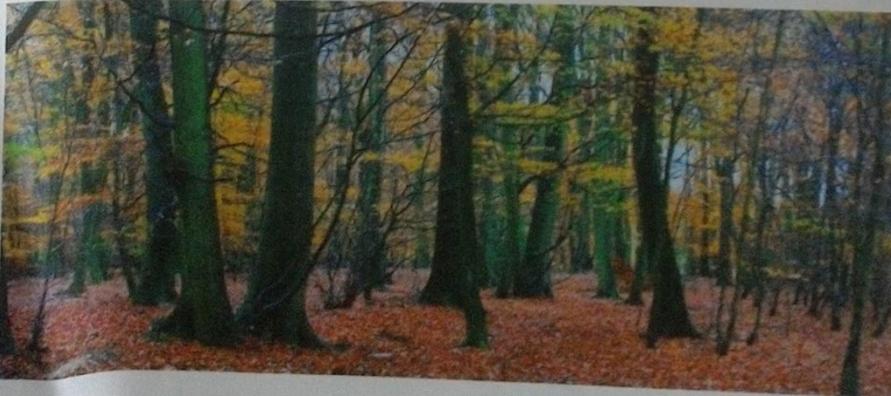
'In order to further enhance our written abilities, year 8 have been using the 'slow writing' technique. We watched a short clip called "Le Chaperon Rouge," then followed a strict set of rules for the opening paragraph. For example, one sentence had to be only 3 words long and another must contain a simile. We then continued the short story, paying close attention to our sentence structures and vocabulary choices to help us build tension. We hope you enjoy reading these examples!'



Chaperon Rouge

Falling and slipping through the wind, flecks of orange, red and brown covered the damp and dingy floor like a blanket whispering to come closer. Carelessly but reluctantly Chaperon Rouge danced and jumped, kicking fireworks of autumn into the misty, wildlife filled air. Petite Rouge proceeded onwards making her way through the now eerie haze, silhouettes appeared to follow her every move. The whistling wind moved swiftly around everything in its way as Chaperon Rouge felt icy kisses brushing past her neck. Darkness fell upon everything beneath it - the night was broken by a flash of red light. She stopped. Chaperon Rouge knew what the dimness had awoken, it was ...a beast. Legs shaking, heart aching, breathing heavily, desperately she turned dodging rotten trees as if they were bullets - panting like a dog she wondered is this reality or is she going to wake up from this deep sleep?

It was life, real life, a nightmare come true even but Petite Rouge didn't concentrate on the things surrounding her, she just ran until she could not run anymore. Then thud, CRASH! She hit the ground tripping over a rock she was unaware of. Her head was dizzy, she could not see clearly although she could hear the dense breathing of a relentless beast about to devour her. Chaperon Rouge was clueless as to what to do so she lay still and silent. A single tear fell from her eye as the foul creatures sharp teeth pierced her skin leaving wounds that were impossible to survive with.



Leah Carroll 8AR

Ellie Henaghan (yr11) has created this beautiful drawing of a flamingo to go towards her mock exam project 'Animals'. She has taken a great deal of time, blending and mixing the colours. I like the way she has created movement of the other flamingos in the flock in the background.



In Mr Cox's Year 10 science lessons last week, students used different implements (chopsticks, tweezers, cocktail sticks etc.) to model the different types of beaks that finches have. They competed to see how much food they could gather in a small amount of time. This was used to model how the natural selection aspect of evolution takes place.



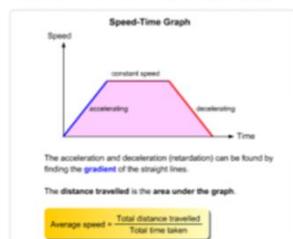
Also in science lessons last week Miss McGee's year 7 science class did a great job using microscopes to see their own cheek cells!



Mr Boylan was very proud of his Year 10 scientists as they been creating and presenting PowerPoints for the class. The presentations reflect their learning and enthusiasm for science. Some examples of class 10 D's work can be seen below:

Velocity and Time Graphs

The principle is that the slope of the line on a **velocity-time graph** reveals useful information about the acceleration of the object. If the acceleration is zero, then the slope is zero. The steeper the line, the more rapidly the velocity of the object is changing.

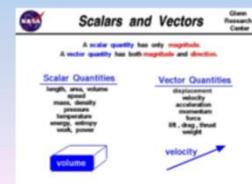
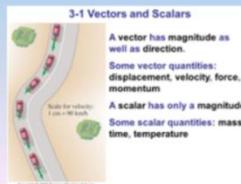


Vectors and Scalars

A vector is a quantity that has both a magnitude and a direction. Vector quantities are important in the study of motion. Some examples of vector quantities include force, velocity, acceleration, displacement, and momentum.

A scalar is a quantity that is fully described by a magnitude only. It is described by just a single number. Some examples of scalar quantities include speed, volume, mass, temperature, power, energy, and time.

A vector quantity has a direction and a magnitude, while a scalar has only a magnitude. You can tell if a quantity is a vector by whether or not it has a direction associated with it.



Miss Grey has been very impressed with her Y11 group



who have been working really well on their GCSE PE course. She is delighted with their attitude and work ethic so well done to all of the group!

The work around the school in the opening few weeks of the term bodes really well for this year. We are delighted with not only the Y11s but the vast majority of students who have started this year with a great attitude towards their studies, each other and the school as a whole.

On the sports' field

The Year 11 football team started off with gusto; 3-0 victory over Burscough. There was a stunning goal from the half way line from Joe Taubman (shame the panel will declare it an OG!). We also had big wins for our Year 8 team who beat Burscough 8-3 to continue their superb form. In fact, St Bede's football teams have won every game they have played so far this year! The results below are a great reflection of the talent of all involved and the dedication of our team coaches:

Year 7 Boys Football: Won 8-1 V UpHolland & Won 5-0 V Our Lady Queen of Peace

Year 8 Boys Football: Won 10-0 V Lathom & Won 5-2 V Our Lady's

Year 9 Boys Football: Won 8-2 V Lathom

Year 11 Boys: Won 3-0 V Burscough

We have a national champion in Year 9!

Hollie Farley in Yr. 9 was crowned the British Taekwondo champion the weekend before last. This is a real testament to Hollie's dedication to the sport and we are all very proud of her achievement.



100% of the class of 2017 in education or employment

It's usually never a good thing to get 0%. However, when you have 0% NEET it is very much a positive. This figure means that every single student from last year's Year 11 cohort is now in education or

employment. This is down to the hard work of Mrs Turpin who heads up our careers, education, information, advice and guidance team. The student destinations were as follows:



LEAVER DESTINATIONS 2017



DESTINATION	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
APPRENTICESHIPS	4	3.1
WINSTANLEY	36	28.2
RUNSHAW *	46	35.9
SOUTHPORT	11	8.6
WEST LANCS *	6	4.7
SJR	6	4.7
WIGAN UTC	1	0.8
WIGAN AND LEIGH	1	0.8
CARMEL COLLEGE	3	2.3
DEYES HIGH SCHOOL	1	0.8
FORMBY HIGH SCHOOL	1	0.8
MOVED OUT OF AREA	2	1.5
LIVERPOOL CITY COLLEGE	3	2.4
KGV, SOUTHPORT	1	0.8
LIVERPOOL LIFE SCIENCES	2	1.5
ROBY COLLEGE	1	0.8
ST MARGARET'S , AIGBURTH	2	1.5
ST HELENS COLLEGE	1	0.8
TOTAL	128	

LANCASHIRE *	40.6%
OUT OF LANCASHIRE	56.3%
WORK BASED LEARNING	3.1%
NEET	0%

It's not just the children who are learning at St Bede's

Congratulations to Miss Skidmore, Miss McGee, Mrs Oates, Mr Keown, Mr Shepherd and Mr Boylan. With the help of Mrs McMurray and Mr Caygill, they have all successfully completed the challenging and rigorous Coaching in schools' programme and are now accredited coaches. They are eager to try out their newly acquired coaching skills to make every aspect of their roles at St Bede's even better. Watch this space!



Please support our great school

Our parent-teachers' association is a great way to support us in school. Your involvement can be as much or as little as you can manage. This past year our PTA have supported our 60th anniversary mass celebrations, raised money for school funds and developed a strong relationship between home and school. If you could spend any time at all to support us or you would just like to find out some more information, please email Elaine Lang (elang67@aol.com) from our PTA for more details. Your help will aid the continuing development of St Bede's.

Upcoming events and activities

Date	Event	Detail
October 4 th	Y11 Guidance Evening	An evening for all parents of Y11 students to listen and discuss the keys to success for their children.
October 11 th	Y7 Focus Parents Meetings	An evening for any Y7 parents who would like to discuss their child's transition into the school

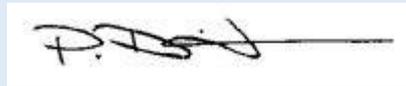
		can make an appointment to see a member of SLT or Miss McGhee to discuss any issues.
October 27th	School closes for half term break	The school will finish at the usual time on Friday and students will return on Monday November 6 th .

Let us know your news!

If you are involved in any exciting activities or you have stories of St Bede's from years gone by, please contact school and we can celebrate this in our fortnightly blog.

Can I thank all of you reading this, both parents and students, for their support and positive attitude in making the start to this academic year one which is full of promise.

God bless,



Mr P Denton,

Head of School