

WHAT'S THE LATEST FROM ST BEDE'S?

Welcome back!

It has been my pleasure to welcome our students back after the summer break. I trust that you all had a calm and restful break. With three children at home under 9 my break was neither calm nor restful but certainly very enjoyable! We have introduced all of our students to our school vision which is to offer a '...world class Catholic education that encourages our students to want to make the world a better place'. The vision is writ large around the school and reflected in assemblies, new policies and our desire to build on our past success.

Many of you will know that Father Godric has been unwell but we were all delighted to see him back in on the inset day to lead us in our staff mass. Father Godric is integral to our school community and I know he is very appreciative for all of the prayers that have been said for him.

Prior to the summer we had the very sad news that one of our governors, Kathryn Owe, sadly passed away at the age of 34 after a long battle with illness. Kathryn was a governor for a relatively short amount of time but added a great deal to our school community. Her legacy with me and the colleagues that worked with her is one of utter admiration. I have rarely met an individual with such courage, ability and strength. We send her husband Ronny and her family our sincere condolences. She will be sadly missed by our governing body and our entire school community.

St Bede's in the news



Our incredible Class of 2018 secured the highest overall attainment score of all 35 state schools in the Liverpool Archdiocese. This only reflects their hard work and the hard work of our teachers supported by parents and our entire school community.

Russian success!

On Monday 10th September, the MFL Department, along with Mr Denton had the great pleasure to celebrate with nine of our most talented linguists, who have just earned their Entry Level 3 certificates in Russian! They have been giving up their free time and studying Russian once a week during lunchtime, for the last few years.

They have worked extremely hard to master the Cyrillic alphabet, in order to speak, read and write in Russian and in the summer of 2018, they sat their Russian examinations. Entry Level 3 is only one level below GCSE! Mr Denton came to present their certificates at a party today and commended them on their dedication and fantastic achievement. They can all be very proud of themselves, as colleges and universities will be extremely impressed to see this on their application forms and having this extra qualification shows their excellent time management skills and academic ambition. We hope that by studying Russian, our pupils have gained an insight into a fascinating country, are inspired to travel and meet new people and recognise that international understanding and communication is vital in today's world.

Well done everyone!



St Bede's students and staff celebrate Adoremus

Adoremus was a wonderful trip that encouraged us to celebrate our religion in fun and entertaining ways. From songs and games to confession to even doing the conga! It was such a good day that we are sure we will never forget. We all now feel inspired and closer to God than ever before and look forward to doing again at the Flame event in Wembley next March. Thank you to Clare, Miss Skidmore and Mr Holt for helping us become closer to God and to realise what our religion is really about.

By Julia Turkowska, Ciara Kirwan, Lucy McLoughlin and Hannah Birkett



Wonderful woodwork at one of our college placements

Keenan Gallagher in Year 11 has produced some stunning work from his weekly college placement. Keenan shared this work with Mr Shepherd and I. The table Keenan has built is superb in itself but it also boasts a family tree on top. No doubt this will take pride of place in Keenan's family home. A truly world class piece of work.



Jess becomes the Toffees latest summer signing

We were delighted that Jess Hodge, Y10, signed for Everton over the summer. She is now training with the U-16 side and hoping to continue her rise in the footballing world. Jess continues to balance football with her studies and is a great example of the 'world class' culture at St Bede's.



Eoin's international success

Eoin O'Connor, who was in Year 11 last year, had a successful summer at the international Catholic games (FISEC) in Genk, Belgium. Eoin did very well, winning bronze medals in the 100 fly and 50 free and a silver medal in the 100 freestyle. There were around 800 athletes, from all over Europe and beyond - including India, Palestine and Brazil- taking part in a range of sports disciplines including team games, athletics and swimming. The Games were very well organised and a number of social activities were also arranged during the week, allowing the young athletes to talk and get to know each other. It was very well organised by the Belgium hosts and the FISEC committee.



We hope that Eoin's success will encourage more St Bede's students to compete in the games. More information will be shared about this later in the year.

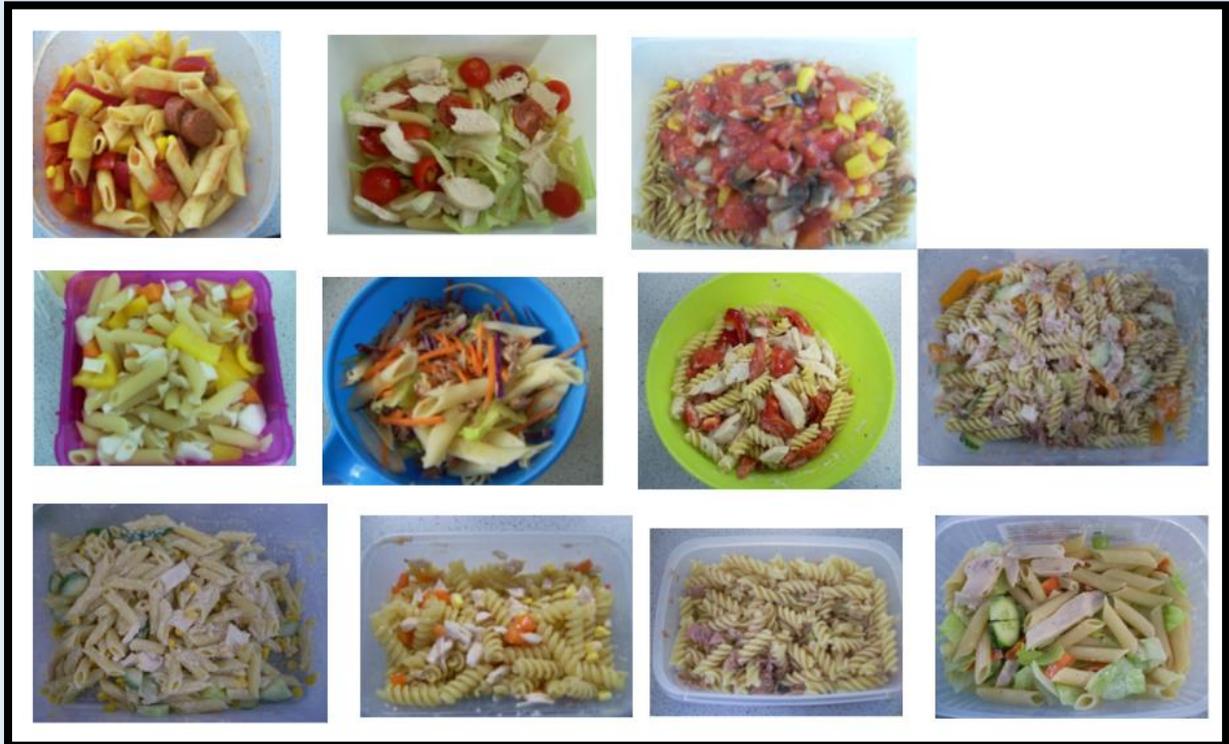
Mrs Wainwright completes charity 5K run!



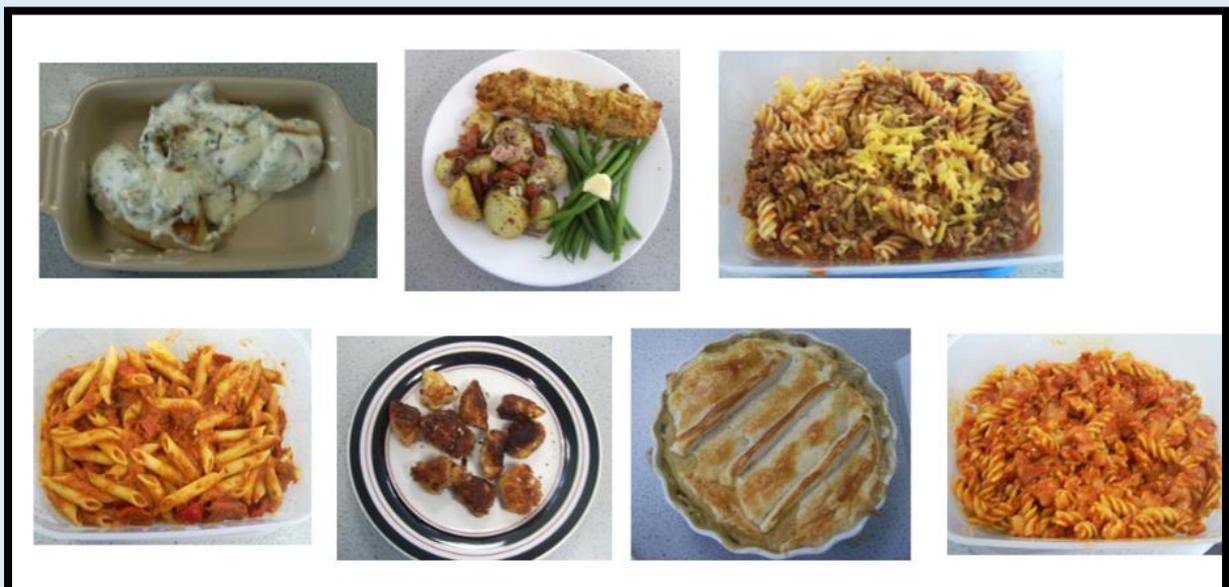
Mrs Wainwright recently completed a charity 5K run to raise awareness for a very important charity. PAPHYRUS Prevention of Young Suicide is an organisation which supports young people locally. We congratulate Mrs Wainwright and encourage you to find out more about this charity.

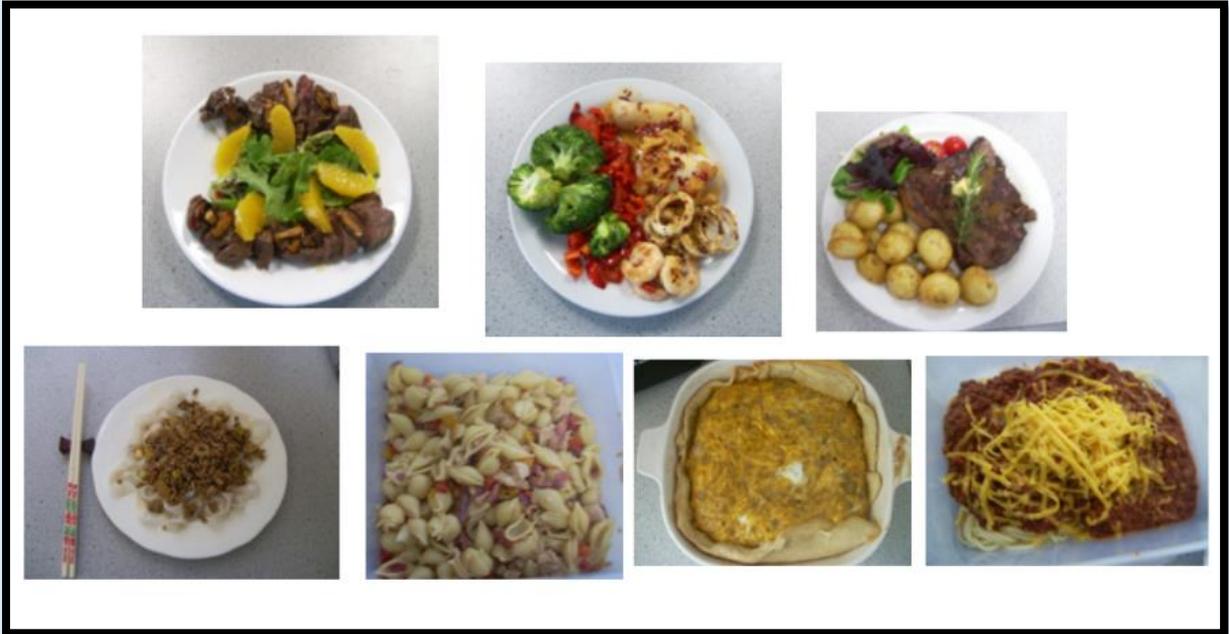
The cooking starts immediately!

Our Year 8 students have begun the year by putting together some delicious pasta salads with Mrs Wainwright. Their creations looked very tasty and it is wonderful to see our brand new kitchen classroom being used from day 1. I look forward to tasting their creations very soon!



Meanwhile, our GCSE students have cooked up some great savoury meals as part of their food and nutrition course.





Art work on Instagram

Miss Byrom and Mrs Mitchell will be celebrating the artistic work of our students on a new Instagram page. You can follow their work via the handle below.



Follow your child's day through Class Charts

If you have not received your log on details for Class Charts please contact school in order to track your child's progress through the day. You can see behaviour points and achievement points through a live feed. There is also a homework feature. You should have had the details already but if you have not

received them or you have misplaced them, please contact your child's form teacher or head of year to get the necessary log on details.



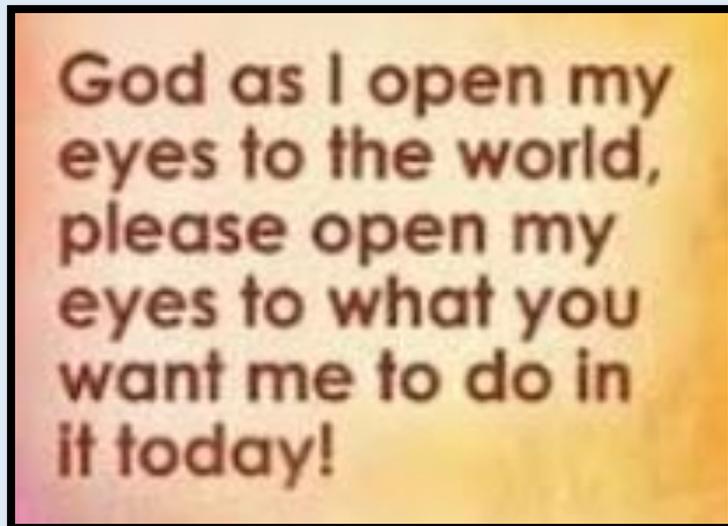
School Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for an Assistant Business Manager and a Cover/Administrative Officer. See our website for details or access the page via the link below:

<http://www.sbchs.co.uk/vacancies/support-staff-vacancies/>

The screenshot shows the website for St Bede's Catholic High School. The header is blue and contains the school's crest on the left, the name 'St Bede's Catholic High School' in the center, and navigation icons (home, search, email, menu) on the right. Below the header, the breadcrumb trail reads 'Home / Vacancies / Support Staff Vacancies'. The main content area is white and features a 'VACANCIES' section on the left with links to 'About us', 'Leadership Vacancies', 'Teaching Staff Vacancies', and 'Support Staff Vacancies'. The 'Support Staff Vacancies' section is highlighted and contains two job listings. The first listing is for an 'Assistant Business Manager' with links for 'Job Advertisement', 'Job Description and Person Specification', 'CES Support Staff Applicant Form', 'Note to Applicants', and 'Rehabilitation of Offenders Act'. The second listing is for a 'Cover/ Administrative Officer' with similar links for 'Job Advertisement', 'Job Description and Person Specification', 'CES Support Staff Applicant Form', 'Note to Applicants', and 'Rehabilitation of Offenders Act'.

Prayer for the week



Requests for prayer

We continue to pray for Father Boniface and Father Godric as they continue their recovery from illness. We pray for all our new Year 7 students who begin their time with us. We pray for the students who have left us last year, always remember that you may leave St Bede's but St Bede's never leaves you. Finally, we pray for all of our school families, especially those experiencing difficult times. May you all know the Lord's presence.

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. Also if you have a relative or friend who you would like our school community to pray for let us know via admin@sbchs.co.uk.

God bless,

Mr P Denton, Head of School