

WHAT'S THE LATEST FROM ST BEDE'S?

The Autumn term continues

It has been a very busy fortnight in school with our open evening taking place on Tuesday, 21st September. We have also been carrying out our initial assessments of the new year 7 students. The extra-curricular programme is up and running with well over 100 students getting involved most nights. We have had an unusual number of staff and students off ill and so we hope this picks up next week. In and out of school our students have been successful in their sports and interests. One example of our winning start to the year was in football as Year 10 and 8 started with wins, 4-2 and 6-0 respectively. There was a hat-trick performance from Charlie Rotherham in Year 10. Enjoy the blog and please do get in touch if you have anything to celebrate or share. Follow us on Twitter (@stbedes1957).

Jack continues to be a driving force

Our resident Rally driver, Jack Birch, spent a day at Curborough Sprint Circuit having tuition from British Tarmac Rally Champion, Callum Black, to improve his driving skills on tarmac. He then took part in an auto-test in Brackley gaining second place. This was all in preparation for his Junior F1000 race in Leconfield near Hull where he finished in 8th place. Jack is making amazing progress and is continuing to build in confidence. Also, over the summer, Jack was interviewed for a column in Motorsport UK's monthly magazine, Revolution. Jack conducted himself very well, showing maturity and confidence. Keep up the great work Jack, we're all really proud of your efforts!





Mrs Wainwright gets her running shoes on

Well done to Mrs Wainwright who completed the Liverpool Half-Marathon in a PB time. Cheered on by her husband and daughter, she completed the 13.1 mile course last week. Well done Miss!!



Sandhurst Success



Former Head Boy Theo Williams has been offered a place at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst to train to be an army officer. Sandhurst is recognised internationally as a world-leading military academy. He had to complete a very challenging recruitment process culminating in a two-day selection course. During these two days he completed maths tests, psychometric tests, a current affairs essay and various strategic planning tasks. He also had

three interviews and completed fitness tests and the army assault course. In his letter offering him a place the army said,

“I am pleased to see that your leadership potential was seen to be of such a high quality...it is a very significant accomplishment at such a young age and you should be extremely proud.”

Typically, candidates complete the selection board for Sandhurst at age 21 +, so Theo who has just started Year 13, has performed remarkably well. He is planning to take up his place at Sandhurst once he has graduated from university.



Pupil wins first place in Mountain Adventure Challenge

Last weekend, Chris Crompton in Year 11 took part in a team hiking competition in the Lake District. Over the course of two days, he walked over 30 km with a full pack and had to be fully self-sufficient by carrying his tent, stove and food. Each evening, the teams were given their destination check point and had to plan a route and produce route cards which were then awarded points. The team also earned points for speed, campcraft, menus and kit. On Sunday, weather conditions on the fells were challenging: wind and storms. There were twelve teams from across Lancashire taking part, so to win the competition is a massive achievement and shows that Chris has determination and grit in abundance! Well done, Chris!



Summer book reviews

As part of the GRITTY Summer School Year 6 pupils were given a £10 Waterstones voucher to buy a book to read over the summer holidays. Pupils were then asked to write a book review. The book reviews were then handed in at the beginning of this term.

Well done to all of those students who have given their reviews in! If you have not, get them in to receive your voucher.

Here's Ellissia's book review to give you a bit of inspiration:

Alex Rider Stormbreaker book **review**

(By Ellissia Nash)

Title: Alex Rider Stormbreaker

Author: Anthony Horowitz

Genre: Spy fiction

Stormbreaker is an explosive, thrilling, action-packed, 17 chapter, spy fiction book, based on a fourteen year old boy named Alex Rider. Alex's parents died a few weeks after he was born, in a plane crash accident. So he had been brought up by his father's brother, Ian-Rider. One day the police knocked on Alex's door, bringing bad news that his uncle had died in a car accident and that if he had been wearing his seatbelt, he most likely wouldn't have died. Alex knew something wasn't right, his uncle had always taught and told him to wear his seatbelt. He needed to find out what had really happened...

Things i liked about the book:

- Alex Rider is my favourite character because he is adventurous, smart, intelligent, brave and focused.
- The characters felt real because of the way the author described their feelings and actions.
- The story was filled with suspension to make you want to read more and guess the next events.
- My favourite part of the book was Chapter 14, Deep water. Alex had been locked up in a huge fish tank with a deadly jellyfish named 'man-o war' with an urge to break free and save millions of school children from a deadly smallpox virus.

Things i dislike about the book:

- I wish the ending wasn't a cliff hanger because I would like to be able to know what happened without having to read the next book.
- There were some parts where I think instead of adding lots of difficult/big words together in one sentence, maybe space them out throughout the book.

Overall I would recommend this book to a 10,11,12 year old, and rate Alex Rider, Stormbreaker 4 stars. ★★☆☆

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The poster features a dark, textured background with colorful, abstract patterns and circular motifs. The text is white and bold, providing information about art support sessions for GCSE students.

A word from our chaplain

St Anne's Welcome Weekend

An enjoyable time was had by all at St Anne's Church Welcome weekend. The event marked a welcome back to friends and neighbours who have been unable to attend Mass due to COVID and to mark a number of anniversaries. A beautiful outdoor Mass was followed by activities for children and a range of stalls.

A huge thank you to all of the Year 11 St Bede's pupils who helped to set up the stalls and activities and help with the day's events. A special thanks to the year 8 girls who ran the games and glitter stall. They even convinced Father Godric to have his face painted.

He said he is still finding glitter around the house now!





Year 7 Welcome Day

Last Friday, our wonderful new year 7 took part in a welcome day. The day began with a celebratory assembly reminding all pupils to allow their light to shine as they begin their new journey at St Bede's. A huge thank you to the school pastors who presented pupils with gift packs including beautiful Bibles. These will be shared with pupils in form. High praise indeed for the wonderful pieces of art produced by each form class representing the values of their forms. A huge thanks to all of the form tutors and teachers who enabled the pupils to create such wonderful pieces!

The children participated in a number of workshops, including team building, meditation and drama, all encouraging them to get to know each other and reflect upon their faith. In the afternoon, a beautiful Mass led by Father Godric was held in our school hall. The exemplary behaviour and engagement of each and every pupil throughout the day was a wonderful sign of the amazing achievements of our new year 7 and great sign of things to come.











Afghanistan Appeal

A number of our pupils are organising donations for our Afghanistan appeal. We are welcoming 5 Afghani families to the Skelmersdale area. We hope to support these families and people seeking asylum and refugees living in West Lancashire through collections of various items. We will work in collaboration with the wonderful ASK Club in Skelmersdale who support refugees and asylum seekers in a variety of ways.

If you feel you can donate any of the items on the list below, your child can leave them in the hall during registration for our pupils to organise. The food items are especially welcome. Thanks, as ever, for your help and generosity in supporting this appeal, it is very much appreciated.

Please could you donate any of the following items?

- Soap • Shampoo • Shower gel • Deodorant • Bath towels • Toilet paper • Toothpaste • Tooth brushes
- Razors • Shaving gel • Women's sanitary products • Children's clothes • Trainers and walking boots (size 8-10) • NEW underwear, socks, vests (men's) • T-shirts (men's) • Skinny jeans (men's) • Joggers (men's) • Waterproof jackets (men's) • Women's leggings • Women's trainers/flat shoes • NEW women's underwear

- Phone chargers
- Tins/jars of food
- Tea/Coffee
- Rice
- Sugar/flour
- Dried herbs /spices

Extra-Curricular programme gets off to a great start

There's been an amazing turnout so far this term with our after-school clubs. Here are some pupils from Boy's Basketball club, year 7/8 boys' football and the year 8/9 girls' netball club.

Pupils are welcome to attend the clubs if they haven't already been yet. Check out our timetable to see what is available to you each week.





Year 7 Unlock the Box challenge

Just before we broke up for the summer, we did an online Maths Taster session in which some of you took part. During the session there was the opportunity to take part in a Maths Challenge called 'Unlock the Box'.

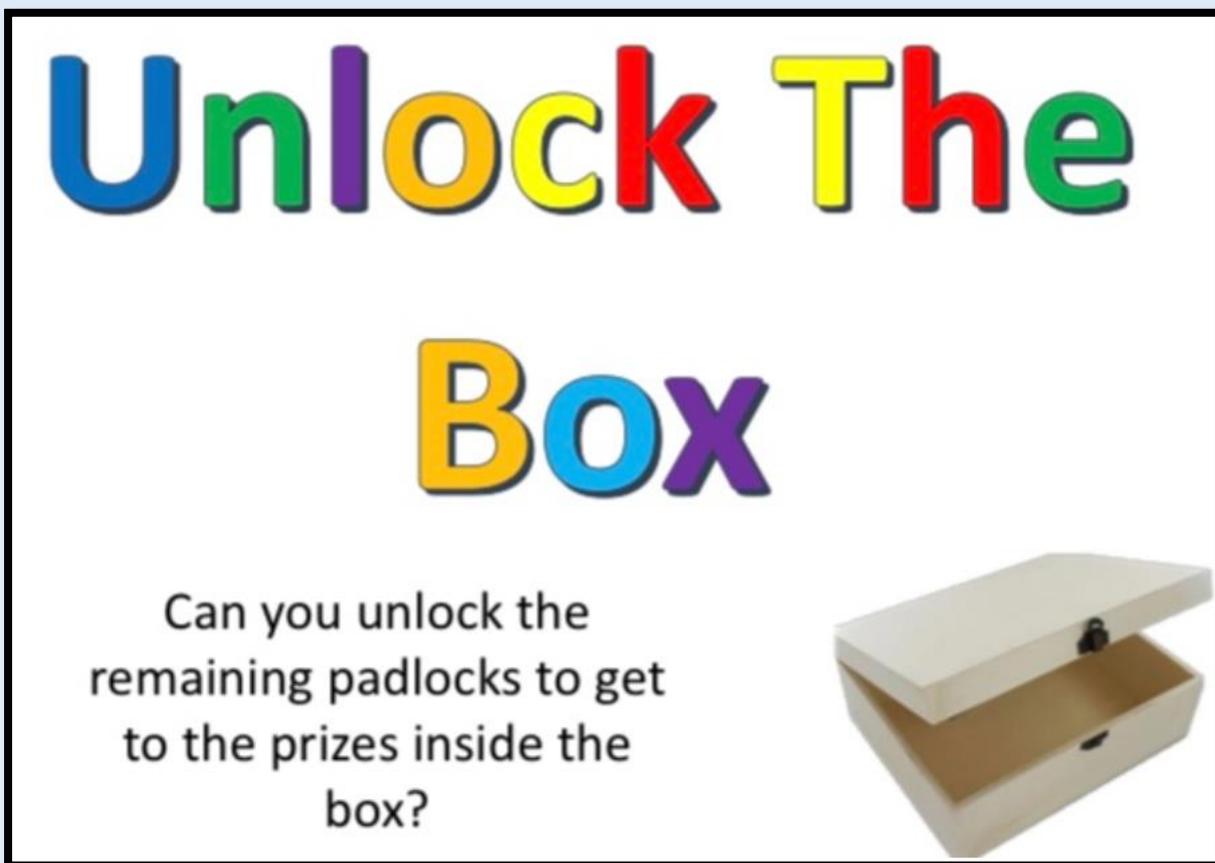
We have decided to open this up to all of year 7 to have a go before we reveal who the final winner is.

I have sent an email to all of Year 7 with an attachment that contains all the info needed to complete the challenge. It includes the Microsoft forms link for pupils to input their answers when they have finished.

All correct answers will be entered into a prize draw with the winner being given the opportunity to use their winning answer to open the box during a Y7 Assembly.

The deadline for your answers is **3.15pm on Friday 1st October**, after which the link above will be closed. If you have already submitted an answer, it is still included, you don't have to enter again.

If you have any questions, please come and see Miss Caldwell.



Year 7 - 10 - Maths of the Moment - Emma Raducanu

What better way to celebrate Emma Raducanu's fantastic achievement at the US Open than doing some Maths with it? Her favourite subject is Maths after all!

This activity is inspired by Emma's win and the fascinating statistics that come along with it.

There are two activities, the first aimed at Year 7 and 8, the second aimed at Year 9 and 10, however you are more than welcome to complete whichever you feel comfortable doing.

All answers are to be input into a Microsoft form (the links for these will be emailed) and every entry will be awarded achievement points. Correct answers will be put into a prize draw with the winner being selected at random (one winner for each set of questions). The deadline for entries is **Friday 8th October at 3.15pm**.

If you have any questions, please come and see Miss Caldwell again!

Maths Murder Mystery

During our Open Evening, the Maths department shared a murder mystery which our prospective new pupils had to solve. The visiting students had to solve the maths problems to figure out who committed the crime as well as where, when, and why.

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT
MURDER MYSTERY



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A murder has been committed by a member of the St Bede's Maths Department
 You have been brought in as a detective on this case to solve the crime.
 To do this collect clues and evidence to find out who the murderer was,
 where and when the murder took and place and why.

Who
 One of the 6 staff members below has committed the Crime. Analyse the
 number problems to discover the murderer. Each one has said which of the
 numerical statements they believe are true or false. The innocent people have
 only made 1 or 2 errors. The guilty person has made 3 errors

A) 40% of 500 is 200

B) Half of 390 is 180

C) 0.6 is the same as 6%

D) 0.25 is the same as 2.5

E) $0.6 \times 300 = 50$

F) $\frac{3}{4} \times 90 = 60$

G) Half of $\frac{8}{10}$ is $\frac{4}{5}$

H) 0.025 is the same as $\frac{8}{15}\%$

 <p>Mrs Scott said</p> <p>A is true C is true D is false H is true</p>	 <p>Miss Caldwell said</p> <p>E is true G is false B is false D is false</p>
 <p>Mr Gillon said</p> <p>G is false C is true D is true F is true</p>	 <p>Mr Swettenham said</p> <p>D is true C is false E is true B is false</p>
 <p>Mr Doolan said</p> <p>B is false D is true F is false G is true</p>	 <p>Mrs Hayes said</p> <p>A is false B is true C is false D is false</p>



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Where

The murder took place where these are in ascending order

0.109, 1/10, 11%, 90/1000, 0.099

The Maths Office if this order is correct

$\frac{90}{1000}$, 0.099, $\frac{1}{10}$, 0.109, 11%

School Reception if this order is correct

0.109, 0.099, $\frac{1}{10}$, $\frac{90}{1000}$, 11%

The Canteen if this order is correct

11%, 0.109, $\frac{1}{10}$, 0.099, $\frac{90}{1000}$

The Sports Hall if this order is correct

$\frac{1}{10}$, $\frac{90}{1000}$, 11%, 0.099, 0.109

When

Calculate each answer to find the time and date.

Add these fractions together $\frac{5}{8} + 2\frac{1}{6} =$	A) $2\frac{6}{14}$ The time was 6:14 pm	B) $2\frac{19}{24}$ The time was 19:24
	C) $2\frac{6}{24}$ The time was 6:24 pm	D) $\frac{18}{14}$ The time was 8:14 pm
Subtract these fractions $2\frac{2}{5} - \frac{7}{10} =$	A) $1\frac{1}{10}$ The date was 1/1/10	B) $1\frac{3}{10}$ The date was 1/3/10
	C) $1\frac{7}{10}$ The date was 1/7/10	D) $3\frac{7}{10}$ The date was 3/7/10

Why. Decode the message to find out why the person was killed

a 20 ÷ 0.5	b $1.8 \times \frac{1}{2}$	c 4.5 + 6.5	d $36 \times \frac{1}{2}$	e $3 \div \frac{1}{2}$					
f $\frac{1}{2} \times 15$	g $\frac{3}{10} \times 5$	h $3\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2}$	i 0.95 × 2	j Half of 66					
k $\frac{7}{12} - \frac{1}{6}$	l $6 \div \frac{1}{5}$	m $\frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 2$	n 0.7 × 0.7	o $\frac{2}{3} \times 4$					
p 5% of 40	q 26% as a decimal	r 15% of 50	s $\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{4}{5}$	t 10% of 36					
u $3 \div \frac{1}{2}$	v 1.5 ÷ 2	w 4 - $3\frac{1}{2}$	x $\frac{3}{5}$ of 30	y or z $1\frac{1}{2} \times 6$					
$\frac{1}{5}$	5	12	27	1.9	27	0.49	3.6	30	1.9
$\frac{5}{12}$	12	6	7.5	40	11	3.6	1.9	2.5	0.49
$\frac{1}{5}$	40	0.49	27	1.9	30	2.5	0.75	12	3.6
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Final Accusation

Who	
Where	
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Think you've managed to solve the mystery?

To be in with a chance of winning some fantastic prizes e-mail your who, where, when and why to c.gillon@sbchs.co.uk. Remember to state your name along with the name of your primary school

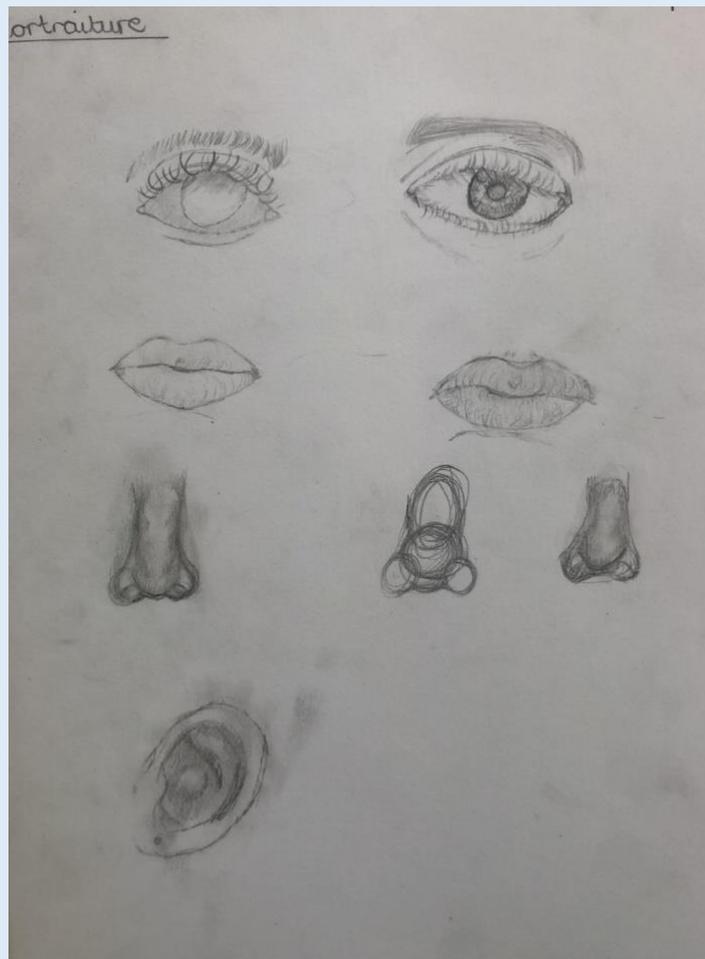
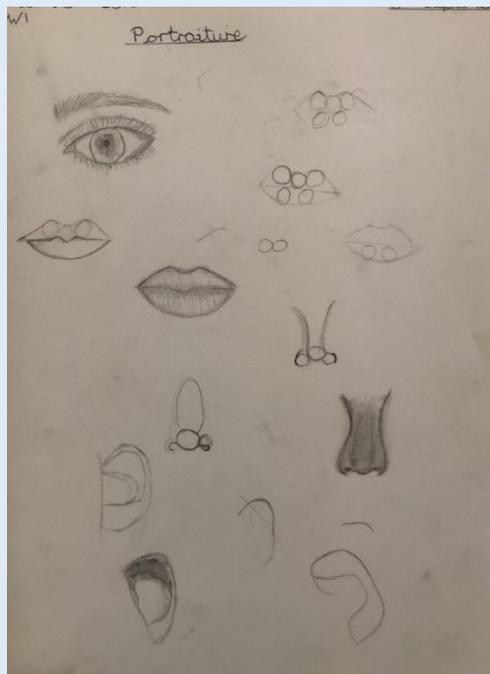
Good Luck from us all here in the St Bede's Mathematics Department and hopefully see you soon

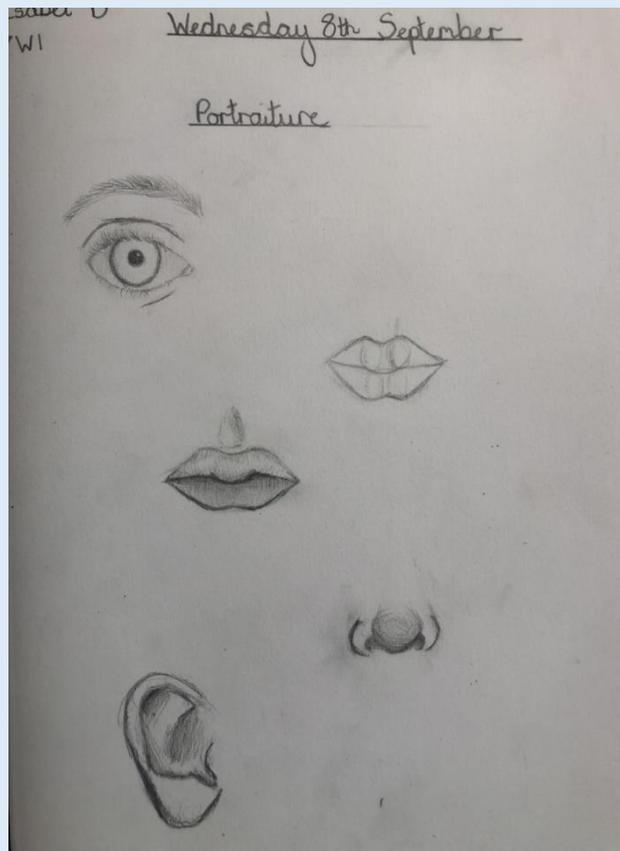
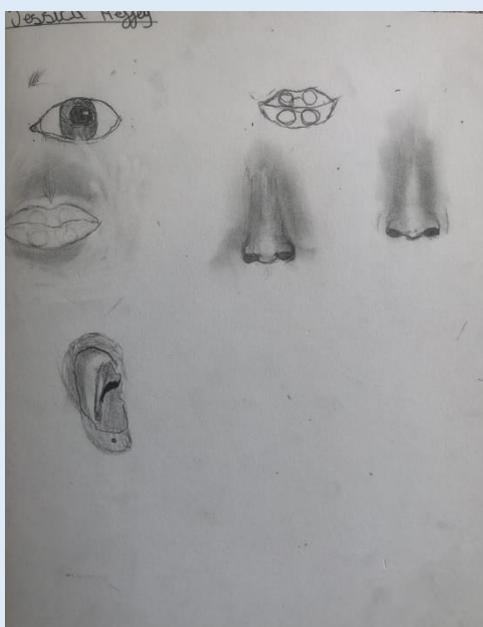
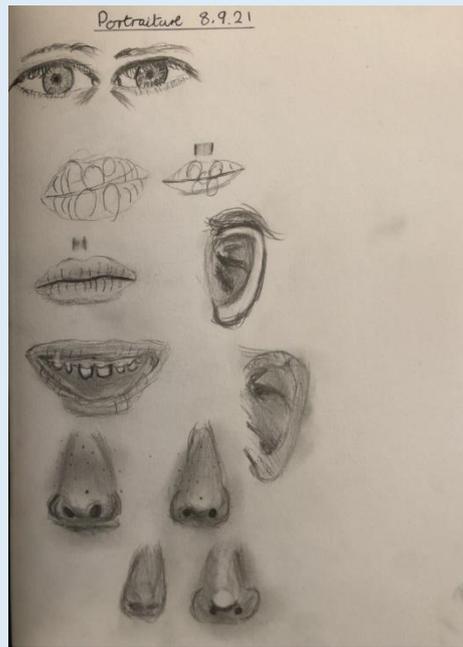
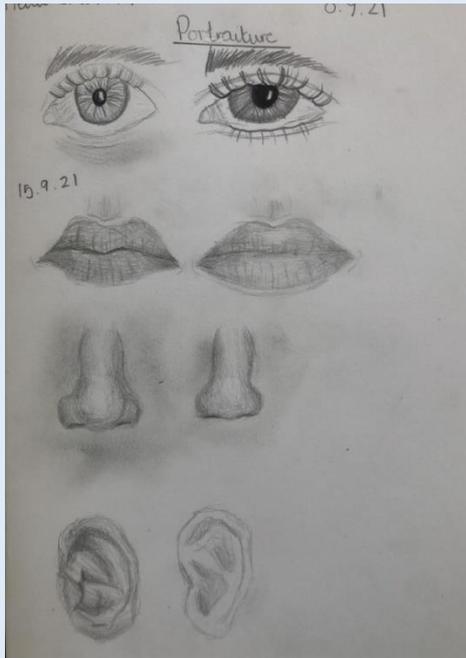
Art is as amazing as ever

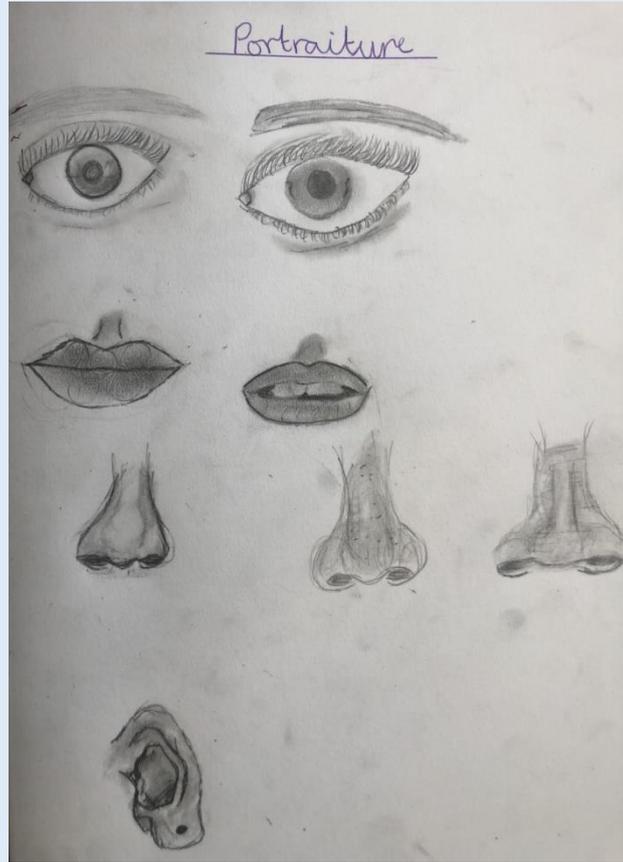
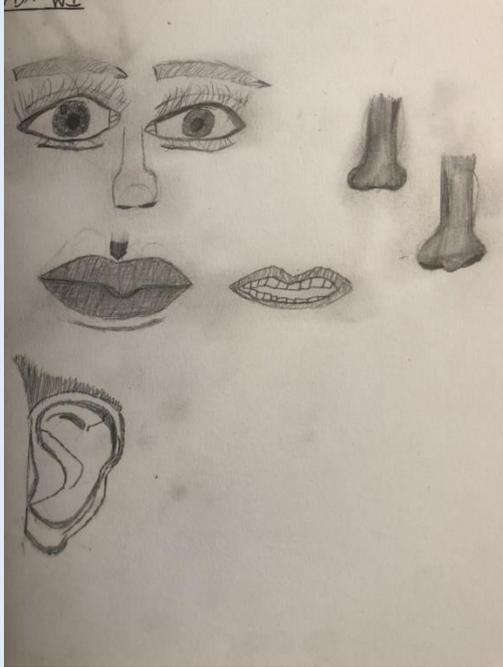
Art Blog

Year 7 – Portraiture

Year 7 have started their portraiture project well, learning how to draw their features with step-by-step guides. They have been looking in the mirror at their own face and drawing what they can see. Well done year 7, these experimental pages look great.







Year 8 – Cakes

Year 8 have been working really hard on their oil pastel drawings of cakes.

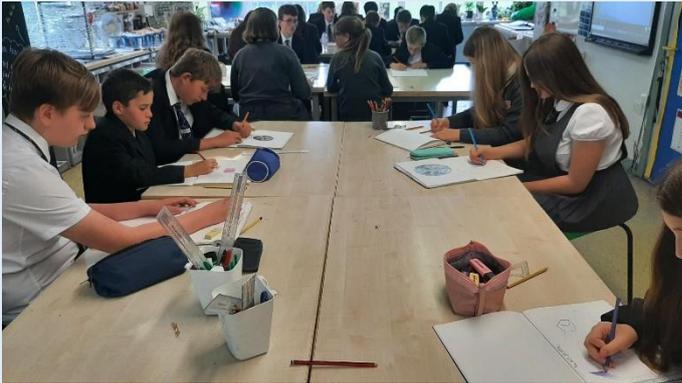




Year 9

Our Year 9 pupils are really engaged in their perspective drawings this term.





Year 10 Natural forms pen and ink drawings

Year 10 have settled into GCSE art life well. They have been working on a pen and ink collage drawing, building up their natural forms drawing with different mark making techniques.



















Year 11 – Clay bowls inspired by Clare Wakefield and Natural forms.

Year 11 have been using a double lesson to design and create a clay bowl inspired by their own mixed media collage and Clare Wakefield research, they worked really hard to produce beautiful bowls. Some pupils have already begun glazing their bowl ready for the kiln.





















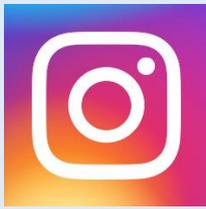








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A poster for GCSE Art Support. The background is a dark, abstract, textured surface with various colors like blue, green, and brown, and some circular patterns. The text is in white, bold, sans-serif font.

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MFL News

European Day of Languages

We are celebrating European Day of Languages in school on Friday 24th September, and in fact, this year is the 20th anniversary. Check out the photo below of Saint Bede's staff spelling out a message!

In school, we will be learning some Russian greetings and the Russian Cyrillic alphabet.

We will also be encouraging teachers of other subjects to speak in a different language during their lesson, and Miss Tilston has already worked out how to do her lesson objectives in French for a science lesson about elements!



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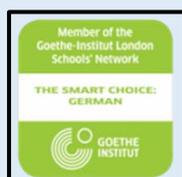


Happy European Day of Languages 2021!

EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES COMPETITION

To celebrate this year's European Day of Languages, we would like to invite you to participate in our "languages for wellness" competition.

We are members of the Goethe-Institut Learning Network and it is making "*Gesundheit - Health*" a focus this term.



The Institut-français has done similar projects in recent months as it is such an important part of school life, as we all know.

Speaking another language and exploring different cultures can be a life-enhancing experience and has a positive impact on our health and wellbeing. It can help broaden our horizons, build new friendships, make going on future holidays more fun and lead to opportunities to study or work abroad in the future.

Competition

Please submit a photo or image of what language learning means to you and your health and wellbeing.

Perhaps you have visited another European country before, taken part in an exchange, or learnt something new in your lessons that made you smile and laugh, or you simply found fascinating and fun.

You can choose an image or photo that you have taken yourselves, or even design your own image of the language/country and submit this together with a short caption or sentence, in the target language of your choice. Entries are welcome in French, German and any other language that you are interested in!

How to enter

We are having a quick turn around and the closing date is 1st October - next FRIDAY!

Please send your entries to your class teacher via email, or DM us on Instagram @stbedesormskirkmfl



Winners will be announced by 8th October and prizes will be awarded to the top three entries. We look forward to receiving your entries!

Runshaw College

On Wednesday the 22nd September, we were given the wonderful opportunity to take our Year 11 pupils to visit Runshaw Sixth Form College to participate in their European Day of Languages. The pupils who went had a genuine curiosity to find out first-hand about A Level language learning.

We joined 6 other schools from all over Lancashire in doing typical A-level study activities, developing students' listening, reading and writing skills, and encouraging them to show off their speaking ability in the target language. We were also treated to mid-morning refreshments. Our pupils had a wonderful, enjoyable and productive morning.







Schultüte



Year 7 Pupils have been learning about an unusual tradition (over 200 years old) which happens in primary schools in Germany. Every September, young children are given a Schultüte to mark their first day at school.

They usually contain goodies such as sweets, stationery and maybe even a small toy.



With our new year 7 classes, we got them to make their own Schultüte which they filled with treats to take home or to use in school!





Year 9 Role Model
Wunder von Bern

Topic and das

Year 9 pupils have started the year learning how to describe their role models, and this week, we have been showing them a German film where the young protagonist chooses as his role model a football player... that is, until his Dad comes back into the family home after being a German Prisoner of War.

Das Wunder von Bern is a 2003 film by [Sönke Wortmann](#) which tells the story of a German family and the unexpected [West German](#) miracle victory in the [1954 World Cup Final](#) in [Bern](#), Switzerland.

The film is a portrait of post-war Germany and it is one of Germany's best-selling films.

Since November 2014, [Hamburg](#)'s new musical theatre [Theater an der Elbe](#) is home to a successful musical production of the same name!



Pupils have been writing film reviews about this fantastic movie.

donnerstag den 23rd

~ Film review ~

Der Film heißt Das Wunder von Bern. Es nimmt im 1954 platz. Es handelt sich um fustball, Familie und vorbilder.

Die Charakter heißen Matthais, Richard, Christa, Bruno, Ingrid und Helmut.

Ich mag den Film, denn it was ~~entertaining~~ exciting, nice to watch.

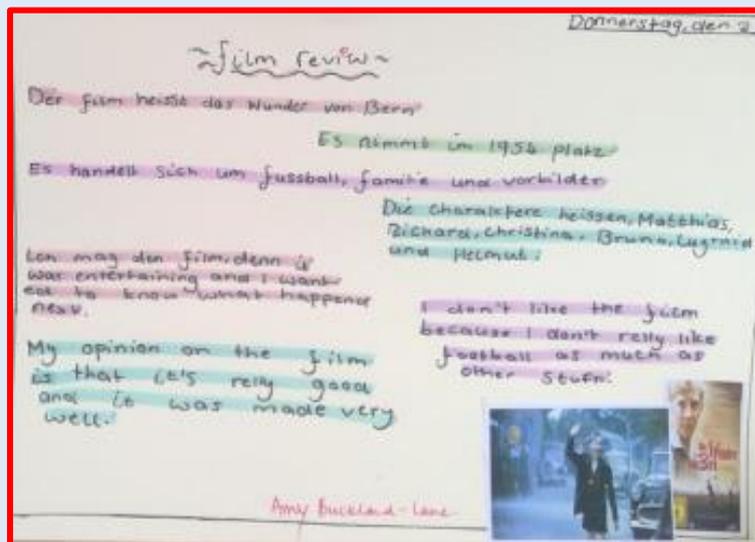
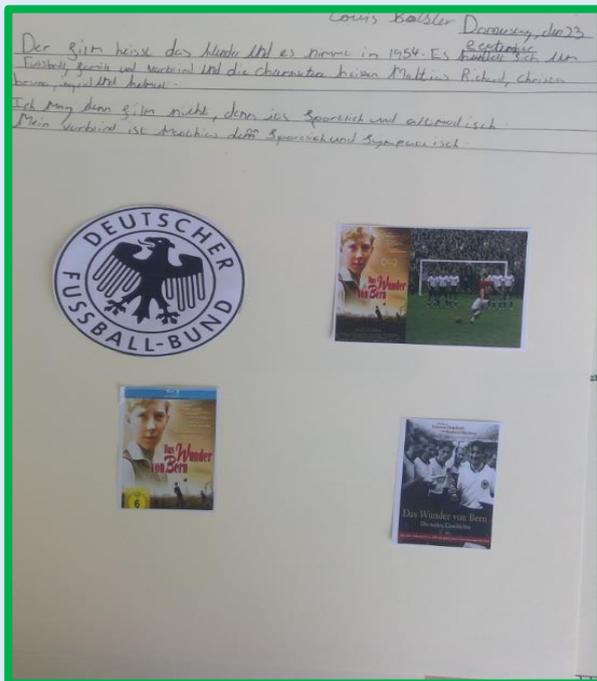
Ich mag den Film, denn it was a little boring not ~~so~~ a lot tho.



Mein vorbild ist Matthais, denn er ist höflich, fleissig, freundlich.



Rose Johnson.



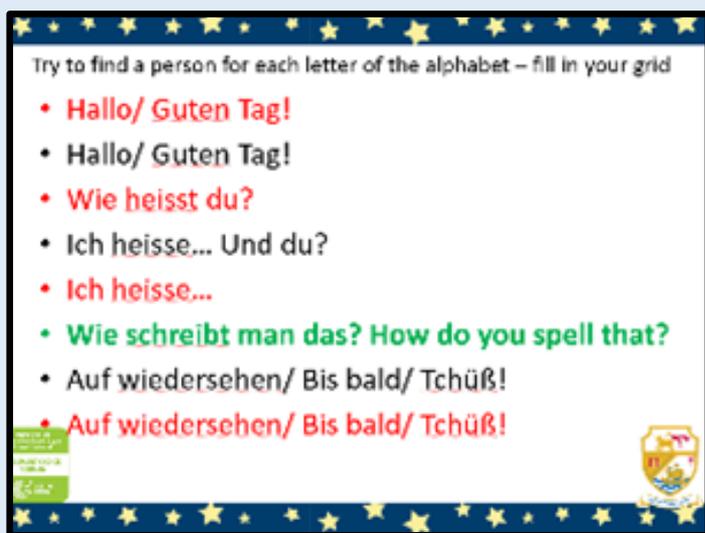
Primary Languages

Our German lessons for primary schools have begun. At the moment, Mme Williams is teaching at St Anne's where the children have been learning how to introduce themselves and this week have also been finding out about the German-speaking world.

Why not click on some of the links yourself? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FPdIKk52vjl>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i0Blh-bpKt8>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IPbzWJNmndY>



Language Ambassadors

We have hit the ground running with our Language Ambassadors in MFL who are already busy preparing for new and interactive ways to celebrate the European Day of Languages on Friday 24th September. They



have some exciting things to share with pupils in form time and exclusive content for our Instagram account, so make sure you are following us! [@stbedesormskirkmfl](https://www.instagram.com/stbedesormskirkmfl)



If you would like to be a Language Ambassador, please chat to your subject teacher about the kinds of events and activities they are involved in and the level of commitment required.

Russian Club NEW DAY!!!!

We are back! Tuesdays – Вторник - at lunchtime in N3. New pupils welcome.

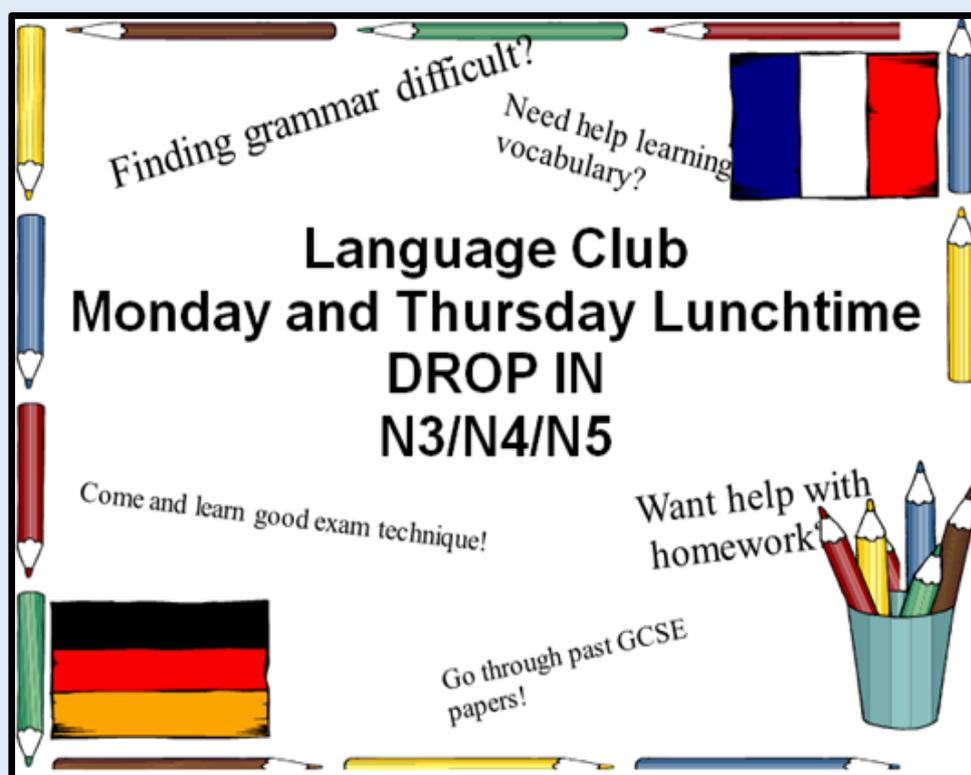


Calling all Year 11 pupils:

Our after-school sessions have already started on Tuesdays after school. They will be held with your subject teacher in their room. There are snacks! Please come along as soon and as often as you can!

Need a little extra help?

Come along to our Lunchtime drop-in sessions on Monday and Thursday lunchtimes. Whether you need 2 minutes or 20 minutes, come along! Everyone welcome!



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Seneca Learning offers very in-depth home learning /revision which is closely linked to the two GCSE textbooks we use for French and German, and pupils can compete with peers online!

See below for your class codes.

Year 10 and 11

French

www.senecalearning.com Year 10 French Class Code: t0sngxxhzo

www.senecalearning.com Year 11 French Class Code: 1uyx6e0t91

German

[www.memrise.com /group/425816/](http://www.memrise.com/group/425816/)

www.senecalearning.com Year 11 German Class Code: 70edc9k0qr

FOR ALL PUPILS:

www.atantot.com (lots of games)

username: bede1 password: 1953

www.language-gym.com (grammar exercises)

Keep following us on INSTAGRAM, and please comment on our posts. We love hearing from pupils and parents.

[@stbedesormskirkn](https://www.instagram.com/stbedesormskirkn)



Let us know your news!

If you are involved in any exciting activities or if 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, Headteacher