

WHAT'S THE LATEST FROM ST BEDE'S?

Happy Easter

As we reach our Easter break, may I take this opportunity wish you all a calm, reflective and rejuvenating break. Easter is a really special time in our liturgical year and one which brings much hope through the celebration of Christ's resurrection. In school, we have really enjoy this term through the celebration of events, achievements and more. Of course, we have had to deal with rising cases of Covid but we are determined to rearrange postponed events, such as Bede Fest, to later in the year and ensure our students get the full St Bede's experience. Please enjoy this issue of the Head's Blog and let me know if you have any stories or events you would like to share. You can also keep up to date with things that are going on in school via our Twitter (@stbedes1957) and our departmental social media pages (<https://www.sbchs.co.uk/social-media-links/>).

We celebrate in assembly

It was pleasure to celebrate the achievements of students in each year group. You can see in the photos below that it was a great success. Well done to every student that won an award or has done their very best this year.



Alumni return

This month we had an excellent afternoon for our Year 8s who met with alumni of St Bede's. The students spoke to the previous St Bede's students about their careers. They shared valuable advice and enjoyed the experience.

Mrs Turpin explained to me, 'Fifteen past pupils returned to be questioned by y8 about their time at school and the jobs they do now. It was a great afternoon! Thanks everyone!'.



Living for Sport stars!

A massive congratulations to SBCHS Living for Sport group, who finished 2nd overall in the West Lancashire problem solving and orienteering competition. We are so proud of their efforts and their huge smiles upon their return.



First Try for Year 7 and Year 8 rugby players

Year 7 & 8 boys competed in the West Lancashire school's rugby tournament on Tuesday 22nd March. It was a fantastic experience for the boy of St Bede's, many of whom were playing in their first ever rugby match. They can be proud of their performance. They were a credit to the school. Well done boys!



Year 8 win the league!

Our Year 8 boys took the title of West Lancs champions, defeating a strong Ormskirk team 3-2 to clinch the victory. Mr Lloyd said, 'Credit to the Y8 team. Winners of the West Lancashire football league. Can we

try and praise them today, also special mention to Jonas Mateus two goal super sub, our very own Ole Gunnar Solskjaer.... sorry Liverpool fans!'



MFL News

Literacy in Languages



At the edge of the city, in the ruins of an old amphitheatre, there lives a little homeless girl called Momo. Momo has a special talent which she uses to help all her friends. One day the sinister men in grey arrive and silently take over the city. Only Momo has the power to resist them, and with the help of Professor Hora and his strange tortoise, Cassiopeia, she travels beyond the boundaries of time to uncover their dark secrets. Momo by German author Michael Ende is a gripping read!

Available now in the LRC!

Languages at the heart of learning



Literacy matters in MFL

Faschingsdienstag....

You probably know that in the UK and in France, we celebrate Shrove Tuesday by eating pancakes, however, in the German speaking world this is not the case! They enjoy a special treat this day – ein Berliner – a donut!

Our Language Ambassadors organised another wonderful event during which our SBCHS pupils ate donuts and had a fruit juice while we watched the Karneval parade in Cologne. It was a super fun breaktime! 😊





Language Club

In language club, we have been talking about the devastating situation in Ukraine, and we have been finding out more about the Ukrainian language. Zac Kelly wrote a message in Ukrainian to say:

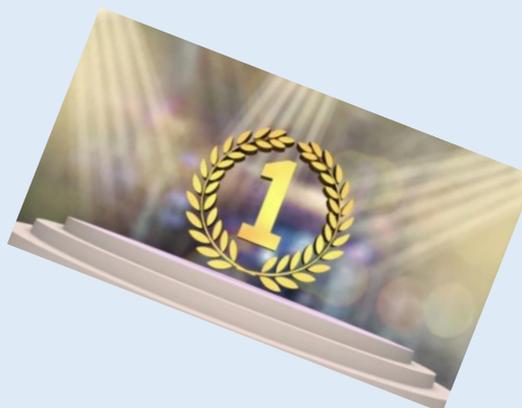


разом з Україною which means *Together with Ukraine*.

La Chandeleur Year 8 French-DT Pancake Bake-Off

Our four finalists didn't let us down in our crêpe bake-off final! Pancakes were flipped with style, and the judges couldn't keep their hands off the savoury jambon (ham) fromage (cheese) and champignon crêpe, the dog themed Nutella one, the French tricolore flag themed one, and the yummy strawberries dipped in Nutella stack!

After much deliberation, first place went to Dulcie with her chien crêpe.



Second place was awarded to Evie for the jambon pancake.



Joint third place was given to Daniel for his beautiful blueberry, cream and raspberry tricolore crêpe, and for Niamh's gorgeous fraise et Nutella pancakes.

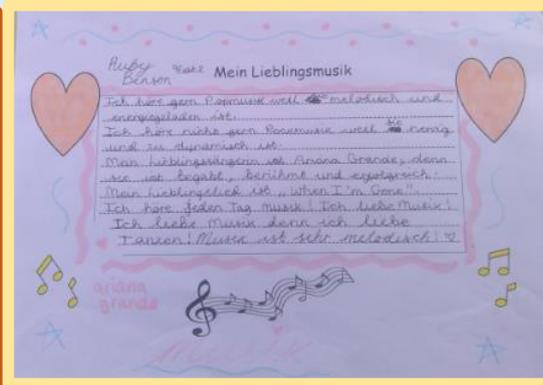
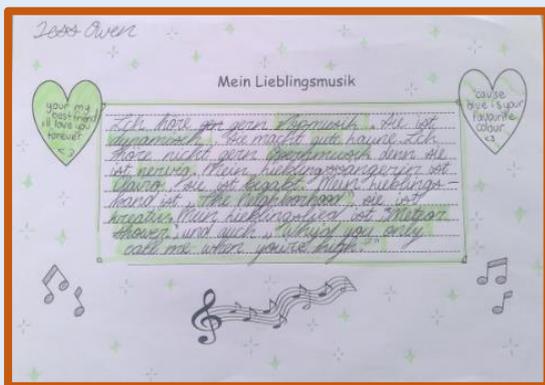
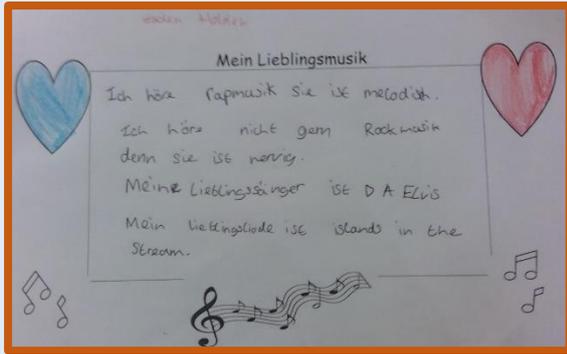


Bravo to all our finalists, who won vouchers, chocolate and a certificate, and merci to our esteemed judges Mr Gibson, Mrs Wainwright and Mrs Harris. We're already planning the next bake-off!



Year 9 Musik

Year 9 pupils have been talking and writing about the types of music they like listening to, and why. Last week, they wrote their music blogs, and also researched some German bands!



Kraftwerk

Kraftwerk are a German electronic band formed in Düsseldorf in 1970 by Ralf Hütter and Florian Schneider. Kraftwerk are regarded as being one of the most influential bands in the world and have inspired lots of different electronic bands/groups all around the world e.g. OMD.

HALLO WELT

5 facts about hallo welt:

- Their style of music is techno.
- Their most recent concert was 2015.
- Some of their songs are from 2022 and 2021.
- One of the members in hallo welt is called Nico suave.
- They are from Germany.

My favourite song of theirs is called "hallo welt" by nico suave.

Year 8 French

Year 8 pupils have been finding out more about French fashion, and some of the designers that underpin the great French style!



When did it start?

- ▶ Christian Lacroix was born in May 1951 in Arles, France.
- ▶ Lacroix started in 1987 – when he launched his fashion house.
- ▶ His first Haute Couture show was a runaway success.
- ▶ The critics, who were used to the minimalist Japanese style, were amazed by its playfulness with style, colour and fabrics.
- ▶ It started a new era in fashion with the Pouf – an inventive, exaggerated type of puffy skirt.

NINA RICCI

Nina Ricci was one of the greatest fashion designers of her time. She came up with fragrances such as the 'l'air du temps', her clothing called 'Crocus'.

Facts

- o Her first perfume was Coeur Joie.

Nina Ricci was born in Italy in 1893. Her family moved to Paris. She then obtained a job as a seamstress. A few years later she met Luigi Ricci (the reason why she changed her last name) who was the son of a Florentine jeweller, who she ended up marrying. After raising her son Robert, she then became a widow at 27. She then joined the House of Rafan, in 1932. It would be the place where she would work for the next 24 years. She controlled her own autonomous department with her own workers. She sold her creations direct and sold her patterns to various seamstresses. With the death of Monsieur Rafan, Nina and Robert opened their haute couture in 1937. Ricci died in 1970, whilst Robert died in 1988.

Lilla Flynn French homework.

CHRISTIAN DIOR.

DIOR is a french brand that was founded on 16th december 1946, Avenue Montaigne, Paris on the 12 february 1947 Christian Dior launched his first fashion collection for spring-summer. DIOR is popular because it's one of the most desirable and recognisable brands globally. Some of the most popular Dior items are the perfume DIOR Sauvage, DIOR Eau de Parfum and the Lady Dior handbag. The most expensive Dior bag is the Dior and its current price is \$9,200.00 USD.

Christian Dior was born on 21 January 1905 and dies on 24 October 1957 only 10 years after he launched his first fashion collection.

As part of our exploration about how Easter is celebrated in German Speaking countries, our Year 7s have battled with eating Osterlamm – an Easter cake not roast lamb, learned about what to eat on Karfreitag and even made their own Ostereier to decoration our MFL Ostereierbaum! It looks absolutely beautiful!



Year 7 Linguatrivia Quiz Winners

We were so impressed with the fabulous scores from our Year 7s! It was a tight competition but coming first and scoring 25/30 was **Noah Harrison** who won an amazing tablet computer! In second place was **Orla Johnson** scoring 24/30 and **Luca Foot** scoring 23/30 who both won Amazon vouchers! Everyone got a German pencil and a certificate for participating too 😊 Well done everyone!

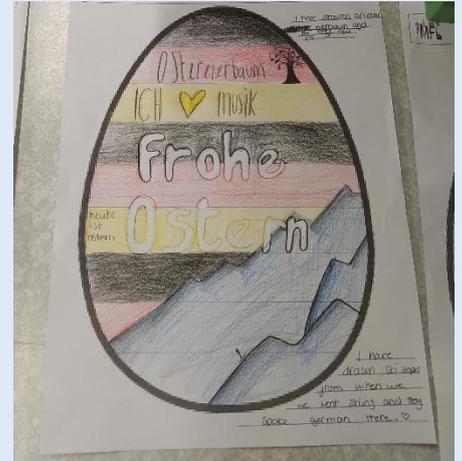
Whole school Easter Egg Design Competition

We have had a record 57 entries for our Easter Egg Design Competition, with Year 8 submitting the most – 23 designs! We asked pupils to draw an egg that represented the, their skills, hobbies and interests with a French or German slant and we have been blown away by the quality!



We have picked our winners and in joint third place we had Robert O'Callaghan and Poppy Wood, in joint second we had Heidi Ryand and Emma Blundell and our overall winner was Lucy Orledge. Well done

everyon





Y11 Revision

Revision sessions are held every Tuesday after school. Come along and get some extra practice !



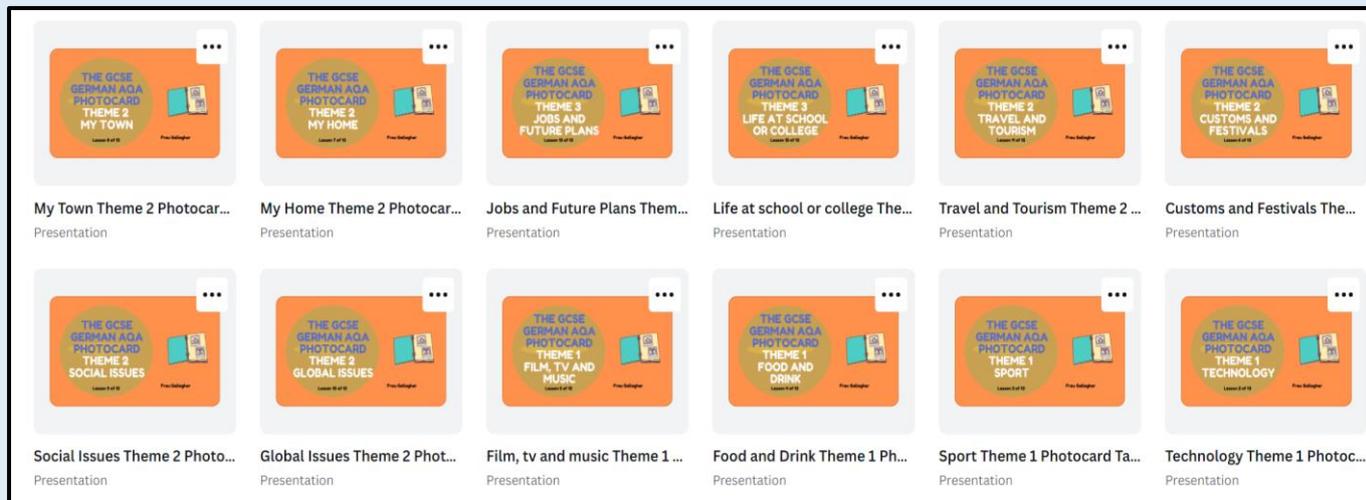
Calling all our pupils who study a language!

Develop your GRITTY skill of independence by watching some of the language videos created for you by Mrs Gallagher. These videos cover a range of topic areas, cultural aspects of the language and also grammar. They can be used as support with aspects of your learning, or for extra challenge and extension, if you feel like learning a new aspect of the language!



Last time some German videos to help you develop opinions were shared. So pupils in years 7, 9 and 11 can find these in a shared file in their one drive. Ask us for help if you can't locate them!

The most recent uploads are videos to help year 11 pupils with the GCSE German photocard. They are well worth a watch and there is one for each topic.



Language Ambassadors

Our Language Ambassadors in MFL are well under way in organising activities for this half term.



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.

Calling all linguists

Why not sign up to one of the vocabulary learning websites suggested below? These can be downloaded as apps to use on portable devices, and are very popular, as learners can set their own recommended learning time per day (say 5 minutes).

Regular practice really will improve your understanding and acquisition of vocabulary, will improve pronunciation, listening and spelling. If you like the challenge of beating your peers, you will enjoy the MEMRISE leader board!

You can also access these websites in school, if you are unable to do so at home, and furthermore, we can assist you! If you are below the age of 13 you will require parental permission to set up an account on either Quizlet or Memrise.

These websites are also excellent for adults wanting to learn a new language, or to brush up on existing language skills!

Here are the links depending on your year group. See a member of the MFL department if you get stuck.

FOR ALL PUPILS:

www.atantot.com (lots of games)

username: bede1 password: 2824

www.language-gym.com (grammar exercises)

Year 10 and 11

French

<https://app.sencelearning.com/dashboard/join-class/1uyx6e0t91>

<https://www.memrise.com/group/2722/>

<https://quizlet.com/join/RgKdt4nsN>

German

<https://www.memrise.com/group/2725/>

<https://quizlet.com/join/SvhBarzGp>

Year 9

German

<https://www.memrise.com/group/4442/>

<https://quizlet.com/join/t3CbPn9r5>

Year 8

French

<https://www.memrise.com/group/4441/>




<https://quizlet.com/join/RawPZYray>

Year 7

German

<https://www.memrise.com/group/2729/>

<https://quizlet.com/join/mJc2mW88M>

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

@stbedesormskirkmfl

Another Robinwood Trip

great

Our annual year 7 residential to Robinwood was a great success this year. Students took part in a variety of outdoor adventurous activities over the weekend 11th-13th March, which included Zip line, Giant swing, Caving and Canoeing. It was amazing to see how well the year 7's worked together throughout their time at Dobroyd Castle and developed their confidence in many areas. Their GRITTY skills were most definitely put to the test!

Thank you to all the year 7's for a wonderful weekend and for making the staff so proud.







'...Make the world a better place'

Make A Difference Monday

Hope Alcock and Louisa Suggitt have won the MADA raffle prizes for the successful introduction to MADA.



Laudato Si Sensory Garden Plant appeal

The school Gardening Angels have been working to clear an area of school in preparation for creating a Laudato SI Sensory Garden in school.

This is an appeal for donations of plants for the garden. These can be in the form of unwanted but serviceable plants, freshly sown or established cuttings.

Perennial herbs such as Lavender, Thyme, Rosemary, Mint etc

Seasonal herbs, oregano, basil,

Sensory Plants

- Buddleia, Lambs ears, Sage, Curry Plant
- Wild strawberries, Hosta, Roses
- Woodland strawberries,
- Honeysuckle, Roses, Wisteria
- Jasime, Clematis
- Pieris "Flame of the Forest"
- Dogwood bushes -various colours

Shade loving plants

- Bleeding Heart
- New Guinea Impatiens
- Viola
- Astilbe
- Lily of the Valley
- Lady's Mantle
- Perennial Fuchsias
- All donations will be gratefully received.

COP 26 planting blooms

In November St Bede's students planted of over 700 bulbs of earlier blossoming flowers to encourage various pollinators in early spring.

This was part of our sustainable response to the Climate Change Conference in November 2021.

This is to help sustain pollinator species like bees and butterflies thrive in spring.





Super science

Year 11 Chemists completed their last ever Chemistry practical. They were investigating the effects of catalysts on rates of reaction. It was an emotional experience, but they did themselves proud as ever!



9N2 have made a brilliant start to their Chemistry course and have been learning about the structure of the atom. Here are some pictures of them making some model atoms to decorate Room 18!



Could you join or get support from the School Pastors?

Ormskirk School Pastors started in September 2019. We patrol outside both schools at least twice a week, and in the parks and town centre, offering 'Friendship Safety and Care' to the children of St Bede's and Ormskirk Schools. We have built a strong relationship with St Bede's, helping with the covid testing, working alongside the children in the gardening club and helping with refreshments at School events. We will also be helping with literacy classes after the Easter holidays.

School Pastors are all volunteers from the local churches and have been trained in Safeguarding, Mental Health, Drug and Alcohol Awareness, and Listening Skills. We are looking for more volunteers, so if you are over 18 years of age and part of a local church we would love to hear from you. Dave Mutch - Coordinator - Mobile 07896991090.



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, Headteacher