

Newsletter

'In St Bede's we welcome everyone, grow and learn together as God's family, and use our gifts to serve with love'

Welcome

Dates for your Diary:

Wednesday 4th December:
Y5 Mass at Church

Friday 6th December:
Christmas Fair 3pm-5pm

Tuesday 10th December:
EYFS Performance 9:30am

Tuesday 10th December:
Blessing of Christmas Tree
2:45pm

Wednesday 11th December:
Y6 Mass at Church

Friday 13th December:
Christmas Jumper Day

Sunday 15th December:
Family Mass at Our Lady of
Lourdes, Saltburn

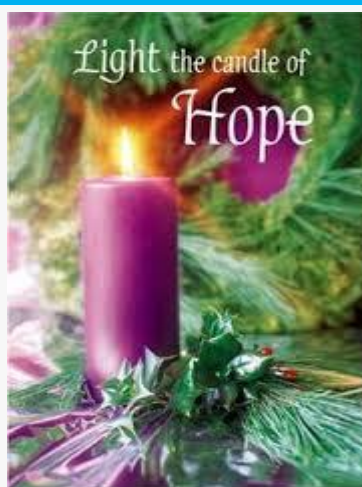
Tuesday 17th December:
KS1 Performance 9:30am

Wednesday 18th December:
Y3 & Y4 Mass at Church

Wednesday 18th December:
School Christmas Dinner

Thursday 19th December:
School Party Day

Friday 20th December:
Break up for Christmas 3:10pm



Christmas is coming! There are loved ones to see, gifts to give, baking to share. We prepare our homes for the celebration. Yet even more important than this outward preparation is the preparation of our heart.

The Advent season is a beautiful reminder to prepare our hearts as we prepare our homes — to celebrate the birth of our Saviour, Jesus! At the start of this week, we light the first of the four candles in the Advent wreath: the candle of Hope. <https://thelife.com/advent-week-1-the-candle-of-hope>

TRAVELLING CRIB

Each child in Foundation Stage and Key Stage One will have a turn at taking the travelling crib home during Advent. Full instructions are included. Children love setting out the crib and following the prayers, and it is a real opportunity to bring Christ's presence into your home. We would love for you to share some photos on our school Twitter page. Please make sure it is returned the next school day so no-one will miss out.



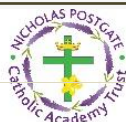
COLD WEATHER CONDITIONS



As we are in the 'bleak midwinter' please make sure that your child comes to school with a warm coat and if it's really cold then hats and gloves wouldn't go amiss.

In these winter mornings it is also important to have a good breakfast before they come to school.

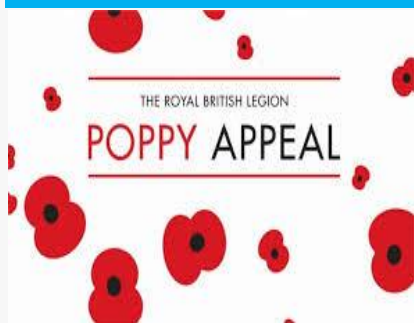
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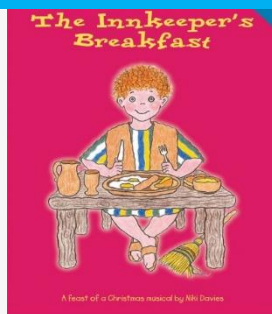
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THE POPPY APPEAL



The total amount of money raised for the Poppy Appeal by St Bede's this year is £233.58. Thank you once again for your generosity.

EYFS PERFORMANCE



We have been busy preparing for the EYFS performance of The Innkeeper's Breakfast. We look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday at 9.30am.

CHRISTMAS TREE BLESSING



You are invited to join us on Tuesday 10th December 2.45pm when Monsignor Morgan will be blessing the Christmas tree.

We would like to invite each child to bring in one decoration to decorate our Christmas tree in the school hall.

CHRISTMAS AT ST BEDE'S



Christmas Jumper Day: This year Christmas Jumper Day is on Friday, 13th December. Children can come to school dressed in their Christmas jumper, alongside their school uniform and there is a voluntary donation of £1 which will be donated to Save The Children.

Christmas Dinner: will be served on Wednesday 18th December 2019. If your child takes a packed lunch and would like a Christmas Meal, please contact Mrs McCormick in the school office who will arrange this for you.

Christmas Party Day: Thursday 19th December is our Christmas Party Day. Children can come to school dressed in their party clothes and details of the days activities will be sent home shortly from each class teacher.

FRIENDS OF ST BEDE'S CHRISTMAS FAIR / SECRETS ROOM



The Friends of St Bede's have been working very hard preparing our Christmas Fair, which will take place this Friday, 6th December 2019, 3pm-5pm.

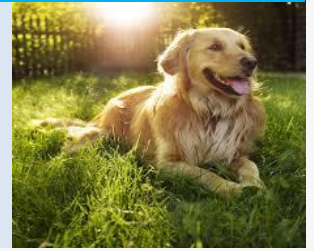
Please make sure that any children who want to purchase items from the secrets room, bring their money in tomorrow, Wednesday 4th December, as this will be the last day of the secrets room.

We are still collecting donations for raffle prizes, bottle battle, Christmas Cups, and donations of baked goods will be welcome on the day of the fair. Please can you ensure that any baked goods do not contain nuts.

We look forward to seeing you all there on Friday!

SAFEGUARDING - ANIMALS ON SITE

We respectfully request that you do not bring animals on to the school site. This includes tying them in any way to the outside gates. This is because some children are scared of animals and also because animals can be unpredictable in different circumstances. If you leave your animal outside they may become distressed at your departure in which case making them a greater risk to children and other adults.



ASPIRE TO BELIEVE



We are excited to announce that we will be working with Kate Hillyard in the New Year to develop anti bullying ambassadors in St Bede's. This scheme has been found to drastically reduce bullying in schools and gives children the skills to support their peers who are struggling with friendship issues.



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2019

Family Mass

10:30am Sunday 15th December

Family Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes, Saltburn.

Mass will be led by our Key Stage 1 children. All families welcome.

Christmas Eve

5:00 pm First Mass of Christmas at St Augustine's

6:30 pm First Mass of Christmas at St Bede's

6:30 pm Carols at Our Lady of Lourdes, Saltburn

7:00 pm First Mass of Christmas at Our Lady Of Lourdes, Saltburn

8:00 pm First Mass of Christmas at Sacred Heart

Christmas Day

9:30 am Christmas Day Mass at Sacred Heart

10:30am Family Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes



Attendance Week Ending 29 November 2019

Nursery – 89.5%

Reception – 92.4%

Year 1 – 89.3%

Year 2 – 98.3%%

Year 3 – 93.7%

Year 4 - 97.1%

Year 5 – 91.7%

Year 6 - 93.7%