



ST BEDE'S  
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents / Guardians,

11<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Welcome to this new academic school year. It is wonderful to finally welcome all of our school family back into the building. There has been a "buzz" and a sense of excitement around school and we have the children to thank for this. They have been amazing. No matter their age they have shown great maturity adapting to new routines and procedures.

We must also thank you as parents for your patience and cooperation in relation to the staggered entry and exit times. This newsletter outlines the fantastic work that continues to go on in St Bede's across all year groups and phases. The news below outlines the work completed this week. The curriculum delivered continues to be exciting and challenging but also takes into account the emotional and educational needs of all our children.

More details regarding the organisation of PE curriculum will be given out next week.

Here's to a successful, happy and safe academic year for us all.

Mrs Brown, Mrs Wilson, Mrs Bennett and Mrs Gribbon



### Year 6

It was wonderful to welcome our new Year 6 children back into school. They have returned with hardworking and mature attitudes; they are so ready to learn!

World War I is our focus this term; the children have already enjoyed researching the key events and sequenced them in chronological order. We have also introduced our class novel, *Private Peaceful*, as part of our English work. Year 6 have loved analysing the front cover and made predictions about what might happen in this Michael Morpurgo book.

Overall, a fantastic start to the new academic year.

We are so glad to have you back!



### Year 5

What a busy start to the school year we've had!

It seems like only yesterday that the children were coming in for the first day of Year 5 and we're already at the end of week 2. We have been so impressed with how mature and adaptable the children have been since coming back.

This week we have spent some time thinking about the children's experiences of lockdown and discussing how to keep each other safe in school. In our English and Maths lessons so far, we have been identifying the areas of the Year 4 curriculum that we need to revisit before we can move onto the Year 5 objectives. We have also started looking at our history topic of The Second World War.



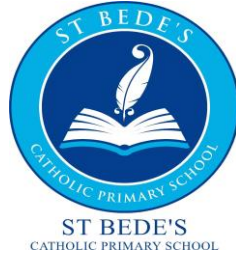
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### Year 3/4

Year 3/4 have had a fantastic start to the new school year! All children have settled well into their new routines. **Year three** have transitioned excellently into KS2. They have been working hard across all subjects and produced some amazing work. We are very impressed and proud of them all. In Maths, we have been focusing on number and place value.

Our lovely **Year four** class have been creating interesting adjectives in English. During We have learnt about proportions in Art and have drawn a face with an understanding of proportions of its features. We have also enjoyed some PSHE and well-being activities. Well done again to all of Year 3/4 children for a brilliant start to the autumn term!

### Year 2

We have been so impressed by all of our children in Year Two. It has been lovely to welcome everybody back. It is clear to see that they are mature, polite and eager to learn. They have thoroughly enjoyed lessons this week and have absorbed information like little sponges. The children have worked alongside their friends and enjoyed each other's company. We have been reading "Supertato" this week in class - a funny tale about a potato based hero! Like Supertato - all of our Year Two's have been superheroes! We have been looking closely at numbers and place value. During RE, we have been thinking carefully about the wonderful world in which we live. A great start to a new academic year - we can't wait for next week!



### Year 1

Wow! The Year 1 children have settled into our new routines with maturity and great big smiles. We are so proud of how well they have adapted to school life in Key Stage 1 and how hard they have been working. This week we have been reading *The Everywhere Bear*; sequencing the story with pictures from the book and writing sentences about where we would like to take him!. In PSHE and RE we have focussed on 'belonging' and showing 'love'. We have discussed the qualities needed to be a good friend as well as how we can how respect to others.

A very successful start to the year for everyone, well done!



### EYFS - Nursery & Reception

A big welcome back to our Reception children!

We have had lots of fun during the children's first week back at school. The children have settled so well back into school and have been very sensible about learning the new routines.

This week we have enjoyed learning about ourselves and the different emotions we may have felt when coming back to school. The children have also been thinking and talking about who lives in their homes. We are working on our pencil grip and we have seen some great pencil control when drawing pictures and writing their names. The children have been super busy exploring the new areas of the classroom and have particularly enjoyed the counting activities in the maths area.

Thank you for all your support with the new pick up and drop off times. We look forward to another great week next week!



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