

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are back in full swing after the half term, and although it's only a shorter term ahead, it is going to be a busy one! We have attached dates for the weeks leading up to the Easter break and the term beyond. Please note, a couple of the original dates for class stay and prays have changed.

### **Important Notices:**

#### **Lent:**

In this season of Lent our theme is 'Give, Act, Pray.' Our pupils are encouraged to find ways to share a little extra **act** of love. Hopefully you will notice this at home as they journey through the lenten season. Our Stay and Pray sessions will be a lovely opportunity to invite you into school to share **prayer** and worship and the Mission Together boxes have been sent home to encourage the children to **give** any small change that they might have over the next few weeks to return before we break up.

We will also have special prayer retreats and liturgies in school in the coming weeks. On the **29th March at 10am, Year Six will be leading Stations of the Cross for our Key Stage Two pupils.** All are welcome to join.

#### **Science Week 13th-17th March:**

The theme for 2023 is "connections". Once again, we would like to invite any keen scientists, engineers, technicians and environmentalists, to share their passion and knowledge in school. *If pupils would like to*, they can prepare a short presentation (5 minutes) or experiment to share with their class during the first half of the week. We will then showcase a selection in a shared whole school assembly on Thursday 16th March and a prize will go to the most interesting presentation.

**If your child would like to take part, please can they bring their prepared presentation to school for Monday 13th March.**

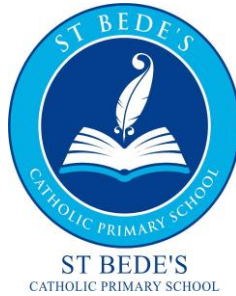
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### **Time to celebrate! Non-Uniform Day:**

On **Thursday 16th March**, we are inviting pupils to come to school in their own clothes and make a suggested donation of £1 to Children's Cancer North, a charity very close to our hearts. Donations can be made via parentpay. More information can be found at <https://childrenscancernorth.org.uk/>.

Last month, a very special pupil, Elliot in Year Three, completed his three and a half years of intensive treatment for a rare form of Leukaemia and throughout this time he bravely came to school and carried on with his learning, everyday wearing a cheerful smile. He was able to ring the 'end of treatment bell' with his family and we think this needs to be celebrated in school too. Elliot is a true inspiration to us of how to persevere and be hopeful for the future when things are tough. We are so proud of him and we want to celebrate him and this special milestone.

### **Easter Activities:**

#### **Easter Egg Competition**

We would love to see what eggcellent creations our pupils can come up with this year in our annual decorated egg competition. If you would like your child to enter, please can their eggs be in school no earlier than Wednesday 29th March to be judged on the final afternoon of term at our coffee afternoon. There will be prizes for the best eggs in show!

Our **PTA Easter Coffee afternoon will be held in the school hall on the 31st March from 2pm** and will be an opportunity to view all egg competition entries and hear a couple of easter songs while enjoying a hot-cross bun or a slice of cake! A bake sale will continue after school and we would ask if any contributions (nut-free) could be brought to school on the morning of the 31st March.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or queries. We want to thank all of our families for their continued support and wish you all a blessed Lent.

Kind regards

*L Smith*

**Headteacher**

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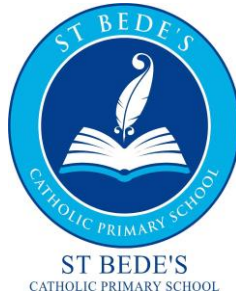
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## St Bede's School Calendar - Spring Term 2 - 2023

### Spring Term

Start date: 27/01/23

End date: 31/03/23

#### March:

**8th** - Year 3 Stay and Pray - 9am

**9th** - Year 4 Stay and Pray - 9am

**9th** - First Holy Communion Session Y4 - 4.30pm

**13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>** - Science Week\*\*

**16th** - Non Uniform Day\*\*

**21<sup>st</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Parent/Teacher Consultations

**22<sup>nd</sup>** - Year 2 Stay and Pray - 9am (please note, this is a different date than originally planned)

**23<sup>rd</sup>** - Reconciliation Service Y4

**28th** - EYFS Stay and Play sessions

**29th** - The Way of the Cross - 10am\*\*

**30<sup>th</sup>** - Year 1 Stay and Pray - 9am (please note, this is a different date than originally planned)

**31<sup>st</sup>** - Easter Coffee Afternoon - 2pm\*\*

**31st** - **Break up for Easter**

\*\*Please see letter above for further information.

### Summer Term

Start date: 17/04/23

End date: 26/04/23

#### April:

**6<sup>th</sup>** - Maundy Thursday

**7<sup>th</sup>** - Good Friday

**17<sup>th</sup>** - **Return to school**

**24th - 28th** - Local History Week

**20th** - First Holy Communion session Y4- 4.30pm

**24th** - Year 1 and 2 Parental Engagement - 2pm

**25th** - Year 3 Parental Engagement - 2pm

**26th** - Year 4 Parental Engagement - 2pm

**27th** - Year 5 Parental Engagement - 2pm

**28th** - Year 6 Parental Engagement - 2pm

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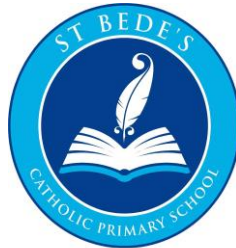
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**May:**

- 1st** - Bank Holiday
- 4th** - First Holy Communion session Y4. 4.30pm
- 8th** - Bank Holiday
- 9th - 12th** - Year 6 SATS
- 18th** - First Holy Communion session Y4 - 4.30pm
- 26th** - Break up for half term

**Notes:**

*Please note: due to circumstances out of our control these dates may be subject to change but we will try our very best to keep to the planned dates in order to assist with your planning.*

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