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KENEDI CROSS

TAKES BRONZE AT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS "ACRO" GYMNASTICS

Year 10 pupil **Kenedi Cross** is feeling on top of the world after winning a **BRONZE MEDAL** at the **Acrobatic Gymnastics World Championships** in China over Easter.

Kenedi, travelled to the city of Putian for the World Acrobatic Gymnastic Championships after taking part in a series of UK national trials with partner Vada Finnear. They were selected for Team GB and were delighted to secure third place in the mixed pairs World Championships at the three-day event.

Kenedi said: *"I never imagined I would get this far in the World Championships but, once we made the finals, I was really hungry for a medal! It really was a once in a lifetime opportunity and an experience I will never forget."*

Ms Hughes, Principal said: *"We follow Kenedi's career with a great deal of interest and pride and she just seems to go from strength to strength. She is a real inspiration to everyone and shows what can be achieved with talent, allied to hard work and dedication."*

Kenedi we are so proud of you, well done!



KRISPIN GARDINER NATIONAL CHAMPION!

Congratulations to Year 11 pupil **Krispin Gardiner** who was crowned under 16's **NATIONAL CHAMPION** in the **British Cycling National Para Road Youth Bicycle Circuit Championship** in Derby last weekend.

Krispin, who trains 4 times a week in Newport, Wales was delighted with the result and now looks forward to further events later on in the year. His aspiration is to be selected for the 2020 Paralympics!

Krispin, we are so proud of you, follow your dreams!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

21st April 2016
Year 10 Kintbury
Retreat Depart

22nd April 2016
Duke of Edinburgh
Silver Expedition
Depart

24th April 2016
Year 10 Kintbury
Retreat Return

Duke of Edinburgh
Silver Expedition
Return

28th April 2016
Year 7
Parents Evening
4.30pm—7.30pm

29th April 2016
INSET DAY

2nd May 2016
BANK HOLIDAY

5th May 2016
Annual
Prize Giving Evening
6.30pm

YEAR 9 EXAMS

Please note that
Year 9 Exams will now
take place the week
commencing **9th May**
2016.

BERLIN TRIP 2016

Thirty eight Year 11 GCSE History pupils set off on a four day visit to Berlin during the Easter holidays. The foci of the visit was Nazi Germany, the Holocaust and the Cold War. The weather was wonderful.

The first evening in Berlin was spent visiting the Dome of the old Reichstag building. Pupils had a busy schedule the following day as they toured The Story of Berlin Museum and the municipal bunker built for Berliners during the Cold War. This was followed by a walking tour of Berlin, where we saw the Brandenburg Gate, Topography of Terror, Checkpoint Charlie and the Jewish Memorial and Museum.

The most poignant parts of the trip were a visit to the concentration camp at Sachsenhausen and an informative self guided tour of the Wansee Villa, where the Final Solution for the extermination of the Jews in Europe was agreed. On a much lighter note, we explored the 1936 Olympic Stadium, where Jesse Owens won four gold medals.

On the morning before we left Berlin, we visited the Palace of Tears, where relatives from the West would say goodbye to loved ones in the East, in the immediate period after the Berlin Wall was built.

The trip was extremely thought provoking but there was time for lighter moments, and a little retail therapy. Curry Wurst is now a firm favourite amongst some Year 11 pupils and many have developed a taste for the finest quality chocolate from the beautiful Fassbender-Rausch chocolatiers!

ATTENTION ALL YEAR 10 HISTORY GCSE PUPILS

Next year's trip to Berlin is now being advertised.

Deposits are due by 28th April.

If you would like a letter about the trip, see Mrs Lewis.

HAIRSPRAY PRODUCTION



As our production of 'Hairspray' is drawing closer we are looking for your help. We are in need of clothes/ costumes dating from the early 1960s to give our show a clear sense of time period. If you happen to have full circle dresses or shift dresses or any other items you think may suit,



they would also be most welcome. Thank you in advance.

AT-BRISTOL

As part of the At-Bristol Community Open Weekend we have been fortunate to receive **free vouchers to At-Bristol Science museum**, on 23rd and 24th April.

The community open weekend is free for visitors who live in Lawrence Weston or, families with children who go to school in this area. If you would like to receive a voucher for your family, please email the college at contact@stbedescc.org and mark it for the attention of Mr Curnock.

Vouchers will be allocated on a first come – first served basis.

ECO FASHION COMPETITION

At the start of Term 4, Year 9 Textiles groups took part in a design competition. The project was based on Eco fashion; we discussed issues to do with recycling and the environment and how we could use recycled materials to make clothing and accessories.

Working in small groups, pupils designed and made their fashion pieces, many working through their lunchtimes and at home. In three weeks, each group had made their piece and were asked to present their work to be judged by the Art Department.

We were astounded by all of their efforts and so choosing a winning piece was very difficult.

Congratulations to the winning team: **Athea Watson, Heidi Price, Jade Hutchinson** and **Vitoria Mascarenhas De Macedo**. Each received tickets for the Bristol Fashion Show at The Mall.

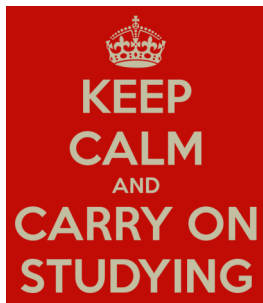


COLLEGE LIBRARY

With the examination period looming we would like to remind all students that our College Library is open for private study

Monday —Thursday 8.40am—4.30pm

and Friday's 8.40am—3.30pm



St. Bede's Catholic College is proud to present 'Hairspray'

15th and 16th June at 6:30pm
Main Hall



Tickets on sale from Monday 18th April at break time in the blue area

Adults £5
Children (under 18) £3

LUNCHTIME FOOTBALL LEAGUES

Congratulations to the 3 winning teams who won the finals in the Lunchtime League on the last day of Term 4. Over the last 5 months, **over 240 pupils** have been playing football regularly at lunchtime in 3 separate leagues—Year 7, Year 8 and 9 and Year 10 and 11. The finals were all close games and very competitive. Well done to all who competed.

Year 7 Winners



Year 8 and Year 9 Winners



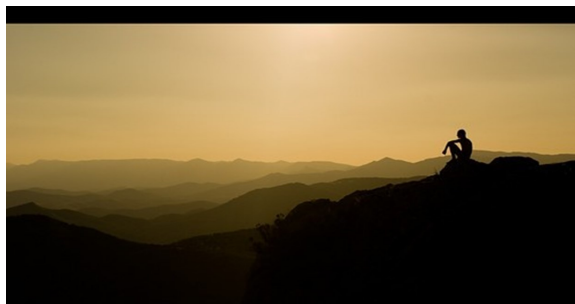
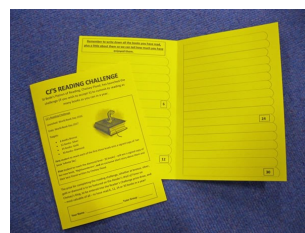
Year 10 and Year 11 Winners



CJ FLOOD READING AND WRITING CHALLENGE

On World Book Day 2016, our Patron of Reading Chelsey Flood introduced the **St. Bede's Reading Challenge** which will continue throughout the year and finish on World Book Day 2017! Each pupil will have received a yellow Record Card in which to record all the books they have read in a year.

'We hope many of you will accept the challenge and commit to reading as many books as you can in one year. There are prizes for the winners!' Mrs Pickup, Librarian



This week Chelsey Flood also launched a Creative Writing competition for KS3, KS4 and Sixth Form pupils. The theme is **Last Person on the Planet** and pupils are encouraged to write – 1000 words or less on zombie apocalypse, natural disaster, aliens or something else entirely. Prizes include signed copies of *'Infinite Sky'*, exclusive advanced copies of *'Nightwanderers'* and invitations to Chelsey's Bristol book launch. Authors of the twelve best stories will receive a masterclass in which Chelsey will reveal the secrets she has learnt to hook readers.

MUSIC EXAMINATIONS

Congratulations to the following pupils who recently passed their ABRSM Music Examinations:

Jack Burns	Grade 7	Piano	Pass
Matthew Ball	Grade 6	Jazz Saxophone	Distinction
Janina Parry	Grade 5	Jazz Saxophone	Distinction
Mia Bradshaw	Grade 1	Saxophone	Merit

YEAR 10 & 11 SCIENCE REVISION GUIDES

The deadline for the purchase of the current GCSE Science syllabus revision guides for Year 10 and 11 is Thursday 28th April.

Books may be purchased through the school website using your Scopay account or by returning the order slips to the Finance office in an envelope clearly marked with your name, tutor group and most importantly which of the guides you require. Books ordered should be available for collection by the following Wednesday.

SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

Did you know? By the age of eleven, the average British child will have spent the equivalent of three whole years of their life 24/7 in front of a screen. One in three of toddler age children have used a smartphone or tablet before they can even talk. For most of our young people, technology is now part of their lives and has lots of benefits, but it is well known that you can have too much of a good thing. The first dedicated Technology Addiction Service for young people has just opened in the UK and they are seeing first-hand the negative effect that overuse of digital technology can have on families.

So how can we keep our screen time in check?

Here are some top tips; Try and keep an eye on how much time is spent online. The recommended daily time is no more than 2 hours a day. Make an agreement to turn off the computer or smart phone at the same time every night or set limits on using devices until other activities including home learning have been done. Suggest or organise activities to make it more appealing to spend time offline. Charge devices outside of bedrooms at night so no one has their sleep disturbed. Perhaps turn off Wi-Fi at night. Know what devices connect to the internet in your home and how to use parental controls: be aware of access to the internet via a neighbour's Wi-Fi. Adults set a great example when in front of children by restricting their own access to mobile technology.

Adapted from 'Digital Parenting' issue 4 by Vodafone

STAFF VACANCIES

Governors of St. Bede's Catholic College wish to appoint the following:

Assistant Principal—September 2016

Closing date for receipt of Applications: Tuesday 3rd May 2016

Administration Assistant Sixth Form—As soon as possible

Closing date for receipt of Applications: Monday 25th April 2016

Invigilators—As soon as possible

Closing date for receipt of Applications: Tuesday 3rd May 2016

Further information regarding these vacancies can be found at: www.stbedesc.org

Hairspray Rehearsal Schedule

Term 5 *All after school rehearsals are until 5:00pm*

Scene/Song	Skill	Date	Cast members
Welcome to the sixties	Singing	Monday 18 th April (Lunch)	Edna, Tracy, Dynamites, Chorus
	Choreography	Monday 18 th April After school	Edna, Tracy, Dynamites, Chorus
		Wednesday 20 th April	Full Cast
Run and tell that	Singing	Monday 25 th April (Lunch)	Seaweed, Little Inez, Dynamites, Duane, Gilbert
	Choreography	Monday 25 th April	
		Wednesday 27 th April	Full Cast
Big, Blonde and Beautiful	Singing	Tuesday 3 rd May (Lunch)	Motormouth
	Choreography	Tuesday 3 rd May	Motormouth, Seaweed, Penny, Tracy, Edna, Wilbur, Chorus
Run Act One		Wednesday 4 th May	Full Cast
		Saturday 7th May 10:00 – 3:00pm	Full Cast
Big Doll's House	Singing	Monday 9 th May (Lunch)	All girls
Big Doll's House	Choreography	Monday 9 th May	All girls
		Wednesday 11 th May	Full Cast
Without Love	Singing	Monday 16 th May (Lunch)	Tracy, Link, Penny Seaweed
	Choreography	Monday 16 th May	
		Wednesday 18 th May	Full Cast
Hairspray	Singing and Choreography	Thursday 19 th May	Corny and Council
You Can't stop the beat	Singing	Monday 23 rd May (Lunch)	Full Cast
	Choreography	Monday 23 rd May	
		Wednesday 25 th May	Full Cast
Run Act Two		Thursday 26 th May	Full Cast