

# St. Bede's Catholic College

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## REFLECTION— 16TH APRIL Easter Sunday

We celebrate with great joy, the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. We think of the great happiness and excitement that was experienced at the news of the rising of Jesus. All that was promised came true in and through his resurrection. All his people were now able to feel great joy even though they knew of his suffering and death. Help us to carry the joy of this season with us each and every day of the year.



**Prayer:** By the Easter mystery you touch our lives with the healing power of your love. You have given us the freedom and the promise of eternal life. May we who celebrate your gift, find joy in it forever in heaven. May each of us make your love known in all that we say and do. May we instil in others the sense of hope that you have given to us. Amen.



## SEAMUS ROBINSON EXCELS IN YEAR 7 NATIONAL SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to **Seamus Robinson** who competed in the **Primary and Year 7 National Schools Cross Country Championship** at Prestwold Hall, Leicestershire on 25th March.

Seamus, who is a member of Westbury Harriers and Yate Athletics, started running at the age of 10 and currently trains twice a week. 150 year 7 boys participated in the event which covered 2900m and we are delighted to hear that **Seamus finished in 8th place**, only 16 seconds behind the winner.

Seamus, we are very proud of you. Well done.

## GABBLERS

The final of the **Gabblers' Society of public speaking** took place on Monday, 20th March. This was an opportunity of a lifetime for fifteen of Bristol's finest year 12 public speakers, one being our own **Ignatius de Pedro**, to entertain an audience of hundreds.

Ignatius gave a thrilling, humorous, and thought provoking talk on the subject '**The Bee's Knees**', one of the most successful talks of the evening, and the only one of the night to get a round of applause halfway through.

**Ignatius** walked away with an honourable **2nd place**. Well done to him!



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**7th April 2017**

8.00am Areté Iceland  
Trip departs

**END OF TERM 4**

Pupils finish at 2.10pm

**9th April 2017**

Year 11 Berlin  
Trip departs

**12th April 2017**

Year 11 Berlin  
Trip returns

Areté Iceland  
Trip returns

**24th April 2017**

**START OF TERM 5  
WEEK B**

**27th April 2017**

Year 7  
Parents Evening  
4.30pm– 7.30pm

**28th April 2017**

**INSET DAY**

**1st May 2017**

**BANK HOLIDAY**

**4th May 2017**

Annual Prize Giving  
6.30pm

**5th May 2017**

Pasteur House Quiz Night  
7.00pm College Hall

## YEAR 7 VISIT TO WEMBLEY

Twelve Year 7 boys went to Wembley to watch the International football match; England V Lithuania. The match was thoroughly enjoyable with a crowd of 77,000 people. England won 2-0. **Alfie Cummings** said it was a great game—a really exciting event and the right result!



## YEAR 10 CAFOD VISIT TO SWINDON

On Tuesday 28th March, a number of Year 10 pupils visited St Joseph's school in Swindon. This was part of their CAFOD young volunteer programme, where they met with other schools that have also been taking part. The day was focused around 'One World, One Climate', the campaign that they are bringing into our school and their own lives.



## CHARITY EVENT FOR LEPRA

On Friday, 31st March Year 7 participated in a Zumba session to raise money for **Lepra**. The session was led by a Zumba trainer and enjoyed by all. The word 'Zumba' comes from the Colombian meaning very fast—and it certainly was! It is the most profitable branded fitness programme and you can see why.



The music line up was well chosen, and blended perfectly together and made the experience all the more memorable. We are pleased to announce we **raised £1,400!**

**James Morris, Year 7**



## YEAR 9 LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

On Monday 27th March, 28 Year 9 pupils took their first steps into sports coaching and leadership by taking part in the **St Bede's Leadership Academy**. The pupils will participate in a series of Introduction to Sports Coaching workshops and in Tri-Golf leadership training before leading at the **Wesport Summer Games finals at Bath University**. Members of the group will also gain leadership experience by helping to lead various sports across the Level 2 primary school games competition calendar.

Leaders and volunteers are vital in the sports world and we hope the students go on to gain valuable experience in grass roots sport and beyond.

## GOLF—AVON SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS



Congratulations to Year 10 pupil **Isabel Payne** who last weekend participated in the **Golf Avon School Championships**.

We were delighted to hear that **Isabel** scored a gross 88 (nett 71), two under her handicap which has now been cut to 16.0. In a great competition, Isabel received the nett runner up prize. Well done Isabel and we wish you well in future events.

## BELL BURNELL HOUSE CHARITY DAY—24 IN 12

Last Friday, Bell Burnell ran their annual charity event. It was their most ambitious event to date, attempting to **complete 24 activities over 12 hours**. The activities started at 10.00am and included sporting and non-sporting events with just over 220 pupils participating.

The energy levels of those involved was amazing, especially the 50 Bell Burnell Bulldogs who completed one activity every hour. There were a number of local businesses who very kindly donated items: Travis Perkins, Southmead donated a large sheet of plastic for the water slide, Sew N Sew, Westbury-On-Trym gave a mixed bag of wool for ultimate knitting and the Co-Op once again donated drinks, chocolate and pizzas to help keep the energy levels high! Mr Luke attempted to finish off the Bulldogs with a strenuous circuit training session at 8.00pm. Participants still had enough in the tank to play volleyball right up until 10.00pm. Their incredible efforts led to a very memorable day, which raised a fantastic **£3434.00!** The money raised will be shared between HCPT, Children's Hospice South West, Refugee Action and towards funding for the education of two Kenyan boys from the Shamas Rugby Foundation.

Pupils and staff still had sore muscles on Monday and Mr Johnson's voice has only just recovered.

**To all of you who participated, you should be very proud of your achievements, congratulations.**



## UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL MATHS WORKSHOPS

Four Year 9 pupils **Jeffymol Joseph, Matthew Wood, Aaron Mathew** and **Molly Dolan** attended the University of Bristol last week to take part in a day of maths workshops. The aim of the day was to encourage pupils to explore problem solving questions in maths and to determine the best strategies to use. The pupils were keen to get involved in the activities and solved some complex problems. The day ended with a magic trick and they had to investigate the maths behind the card trick and determine the formula. Pupils found the day very useful and were excited to share the problems they explored with their peers.

## STAGES GALA SHOW

On Sunday 2nd April, *Dance Company* performed at the **Stages Gala Show at the Colston Hall**. They performed a lyrical style dance to the song Pompeii by Bastille, choreographed by Year 12 student **Reanna Grogan-Hellin**. The dance was extremely well received by the audience and the students had a great time performing.

Well done to **Grace Cousins, Lily Potter, Molly Cummings, Molly Fisher, Abby Gordon, Laurie Fleming, Emily Pritchard, Ester Sukenikova** and **Janina Parry**.



## FOOTBALL FINALS

Congratulations to the Year 7 and 11 boys who participated in the Bristol Schools finals last week.

The Year 7 boys dominated play against Ashton Boys from start to finish. The Ashton Park goalkeeper was excellent and our boys worked well together to claim victory. St Bede's went 1 nil up early on with a goal from **Eugene Taderera** and then camped in the other teams half for the majority of the first half, only to concede just before half time with Ashton Parks first shot.

A similar story second half as St Bede's scored within 31 seconds with **Noah Higton** finishing off an excellent move. With St Bede's pressing to kill the game off, Ashton Park scored against the run of play. The Year 7 boys continued to play their passing style of football to score the winner 4 minutes before full time by **Eugene**. The team was inspired by a good luck message from **professional footballer and FIFA 16 star, Adabayo Akinfenwa**. After the game, we were delighted to hear he tweeted the score to his 650,000 followers!

Year 11 boys also put in a solid performance although they were left disappointed at not being able to retain the Bristol Schools Cup they won last year. The boys conceded an early goal against an excellent City Academy side, who then put in a solid defensive display for the majority of the game. St Bede's had lots of chances with **Genetius Teboh** and **Moni'Ee Wilson** coming close to scoring in both halves. Congratulations to both teams.

## TENNER CHALLENGE

This year we had three Year 9 teams taking part in the 'Tenner Challenge' competition. The challenge requires the teams to set up and run a business for a month, starting with only £10.00. Our teams included: *The Official Breakfast Club*, *Serenity* and *SweetPea*. The 3 teams entered 4 National online competitions. We were delighted to hear that *SweetPea* come **3rd runner up** for their marketing campaign with their Homemade skincare products. Congratulations to: **Emily Lunson, Ana Parish, Anna-Claire Lux, Giulia Ferrazzano, Lucy Sweeney** and **Annie Rogers**.



## ICELAND EXPEDITION—APRIL 2017

Yesterday evening 29 Sixth Form students, along with 3 staff, left St Bede's at 11.00pm to fly out to Iceland today. Staff and students will be writing a blog on their travels. If you wish to see what the group will be experiencing you can follow the blog on this link: <https://sites.google.com/a/stbcc.org/st-bedes-iceland-expedition-2017/>

Alternatively you can scan the QR Code opposite using your smartphone.



Iceland Code

## YEAR 11 BERLIN HISTORY TRIP

Year 11 History pupils will be travelling to Berlin during the Easter holidays. If you wish to follow their blog you can do so by following: <https://sites.google.com/a/stbcc.org/st-bede-s-berlin-trip-2017/>

You can also scan the QR Code using your smartphone.

We wish our students and staff a safe trip and look forward to hearing from them on their return.



Berlin Code

## CHARITY FUNDRAISER FOR LIAM SNAILHAM

Liam Snailham was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes at the age of 9 and instead of letting it get the better of him, he embraced his diagnosis and lived life to the full. Liam loved music, DJing, spending time with his friends and designing websites - IT was his passion. It was this passion that led him to study Computing Technology at Plymouth University where he also took up sailing and joined the university's team. After leaving university, Liam started his career at EE.

Tragically in March 2010, Liam passed away from Dead In Bed syndrome - a complication of type 1 diabetes. Liam would have been 30 this year and determined to keep Liam's memory alive, FRIO's Business Development Manager and **St. Bede's Governor Chris Groves**, has chosen to cycle 1,200 miles to raise money for JDRF UK - the UK's leading diabetes research charity.

**Chris** and his friend **Andy** will cycle from **Santander in Spain to Wolfscastle in West Wales** over 30 days from 11th April to 10th May and aim to raise a total of £10,000. Your support and donations would be very much appreciated.

Anyone is welcome to join #Challenge1200 so please feel free to cycle with us on any part of the route or just cheer us on as we pass by.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Challenge1200ForLiam>





## LIBRARY NEWS

*'On 13th March, Chelsey Flood, our first Patron of Reading completed the final stage of the CJ's reading challenge, a successful bid to increase and promote reading within our college. Pupils were asked to record the books they had read on a chart in the library. It was a very enjoyable experience and a great start, leading the way for other Patrons of Reading to follow.'* **John Gompels, Year 9**

Congratulations to **John Gompels** who was the first to complete the challenge.

Other award winners were:

Bronze Award	Silver Award	Gold Award	Diamond Award
<b>Leonia Chaligha</b> Year 7	<b>Len Noel</b> Year 7	<b>Amy Koikkara</b> Year 8	<b>Shirley Mazeli</b> Year 7
<b>Seamus Robinson</b> Year 7	<b>Dona Jiu</b> Year 7	<b>Oliver Cima</b> Year 8	<b>Rosemary Sajan</b> Year 8
<b>Antonia Soares</b> Year 10	<b>Anna Harris</b> Year 8	<b>Fayth Thomas</b> Year 9	<b>Luke Edmonds</b> Year 9

*'It was a fun experience and it encouraged me to read more challenging books. It was also nice to record what I was reading and look over it. I am going to continue reading and trying new and more challenging books.'* **Amy Koikkara, Year 8**

During Chelsey's visit she provided 3 **creative writing workshops** which proved really useful for Year 11 pupils:

*'Chelsy Flood's tips on creative writing were excellent. They taught me exactly how to structure my story and how to create unique and imaginative work out of broad and generalised exam questions and images. They also helped me enhance my creativity and writing skills by showing me a different approach to bringing characters to life, and making the reader feel they are in the story and part of it.'* **Leoni Abbey, Year 11**

## A FINAL MESSAGE FROM CHELSEY FLOOD

It was another fantastic day at St Bede's, and I was amazed at the natural storytelling ability present from years 7-11. Seeing the Rights of the Reader poster that **Isabelle Faria** had made was a delight, and it brought back memories of talking through the joys of reading with dozens of students in the library over my time as **Patron of Reading**. It is so important that young people take ownership of reading, and don't let anyone tell them which books they should be reading, and the poster really showcases that.

Next for me will be lots of writing as I continue work on my third book, a story about friendship and survival, set in the forest. I will also continue to teach Creative Writing at Bath Spa university where I hope to see some St Bede's students in future. And my passion for reading will continue. I just finished Moll Flanders and am about to start The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver. It was such a pleasure to share my love of reading with the students, teachers and librarians at St Bede's. It was one of the most creative and inspiring schools I've visited.

Thanks for having me and keep in touch! *Chelsey*  
*@cjflood\_author* (Twitter)



## EASTER HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMPS

The St Bede's Community Sports team will be running sports camps during the Easter holidays for 7-14 year olds. The camps will be two 4-day weeks from Monday 10th April to Thursday 13th April and Tuesday 18th April to Friday 21st April from 9.00am-3.00pm. The cost will be £12 per day or £40 for a 4-day week. The camp will include lots of different sports such as dodge ball, basketball, football, cricket and rounders. Young Bristol will also be visiting on the afternoon of Wednesday 19th April to deliver an Archery session to the group. To book a place or to find out more information please contact Rob Allan, Sports Development Officer, on [r.allan@stbcc.org](mailto:r.allan@stbcc.org) or 07825 767582. Alternatively you can download a booking form by visiting [www.stbedescatholiccollegecommunitysport.org/registration-and-booking-form/](http://www.stbedescatholiccollegecommunitysport.org/registration-and-booking-form/)

For up to date information on our community sports team, please follow us on Facebook @St Bede's Catholic College Community Sport or Twitter @StBedesSport.

## PRIMARY SCHOOL TAG RUGBY

On Thursday 30th March, 12 North Bristol primary schools took part in the Year 5 and 6 tag rugby finals hosted by Avonmouth Rugby Club. The event forms part of the level 2 school games calendar with the School Games Organiser for North Bristol being based here at St Bede's.

In glorious weather over 130 boys and girls competed for the right to qualify for the county finals taking place at Bristol Grammar School on 27th April. There was some excellent rugby played on the day with great skills on show. The final came down to **St Bonaventure's** Vs **Elmlea Primary** after both had edged out **St Peter & Paul** and **Westbury-on-Trym** respectively in the semi finals.

Congratulations to **Elmlea** who won the final but both teams now go on to represent North Bristol in the county finals.

## SAFEGUARDING SPOTLIGHT

### Medication

If your child requires ongoing or temporary medication for any reason, please ensure that this is brought into school and a parental consent form is completed giving permission for it to be administered. The medication will be stored, recorded and administered as directed.

If your child's medication has changed, please ensure you notify reception as soon as possible so that records can be updated accordingly.

Children who carry a spare Epipen in their school bag are asked to check that it is still in date. If it is close to expiring, please ensure that a new one is sourced from the GP in advance. All Epipens brought into school daily must be kept at the bottom of the pupils' bag and are not to be removed unless needed in an emergency, under adult supervision. You will be notified when the spare Epipen held in school is due to expire.

A few important reminders from our Pupil Support Team:

### Three steps to follow if a child is unwell

- The child should inform a member of staff immediately
- If appropriate, the member of staff will direct the child to reception to be assessed by a trained first-aider. If it is deemed necessary, a member of the college administration team will contact home to arrange for the child to be collected
- In order to safeguard our young people, under no circumstances will a child be expected to self-diagnose or contact home themselves to request collection.

## EASTER REVISION SESSIONS

Please find below the revision sessions for **Year 11 pupils** over the Easter Holidays.

The **Post 16** Revision timetable is **overleaf**.

Date	Year Group	Subject	Time
Monday 10th April	11	Music Composition Mr Lewis	10.00am—2.00pm
	11	Psychology Miss Hector	9.00am—1.00pm
Tuesday 11th April	11	Art Mrs Cannon/Miss Bigwood	10.00am—2.00pm
	11	Textiles Mrs McCauley	10.00am—2.00pm
	11	Chemistry Units 1,2 & 3 Miss Rafee	10.00am—2.00pm
	11	Music Mr Lewis	10.00am—2.00pm
Wednesday 12th April	11	Drama Miss Calcaterra	11.00am—3.00pm
	11	Chemistry Units 4, 5 & 6 Miss Rafee	10.00am—2.00pm
Thursday 13th April	11	English Literature Mr McNamara/Miss Calcaterra	10.00am—2.00pm
Tuesday 18th April	11	Biology Units 1,2 & 3 Mrs Carmichael	10.00am—2.00pm
	11	RF - Unit 3 All classes	9.00am—1.00pm
Wed 19th April	11	Biology Units 4, 5, 6 Mrs Liew	10.00am—2.00pm
	11	RF - Unit 10 All classes	9.00am—1.00pm
Thursday 20th April	11	PE Miss Chennells	10.00am—2.00pm
	11	Maths—Foundation Mr O’Gallagher	10.00am—12.00pm
	11	Spanish Ms Sanders	10.00am—2.00pm



## EASTER REVISION SESSIONS

Please find below the revision sessions for **Sixth Form** students over the Easter Holidays.

Date	Year Group	Subject	Time
Monday 10th April	Post 16	Music Composition Mr Lewis	10.00am—2.00pm
	13	English Language & Literature Miss Barnes	10.00am—2.00pm
	13	Chemistry Miss Rafee	10.00am—2.00pm
Tuesday 11th April	Post 16	Music Mr Lewis	10.00am—2.00pm
	Post 16	Art All classes	10.00am—2.00pm
Wednesday 12th April	Year 13	RF AS resits only	10.00am—2.00pm
Thursday 13th April	Post 16	Physics Mr Davies	10.00am—2.00pm
Tuesday 18th April	Year 12	Law Miss Smith	9.00am—1.00pm
	Year 13	French Mrs Mebarki	9.00am—1.00pm
Wed 19th April	Year 13	Maths Mr Colebourne	10.00am—2.00pm
Thursday 20th April	Year 13	Biology Mrs Powers	9.00am—1.00pm
	Post 16	Economics Mr O’Gallagher	12.00pm—2.00pm
	Post 16	Maths Studies Mrs Turri	9.00am—1.00pm
	Year 12	Maths Miss Weston	10.00am—2.00pm
	Year 13	RF	10.00am—2.00pm

*May you find the renewal of hope,  
health, love and the spirit of  
God this Easter.*

*We wish all our families and parishes a  
Happy Easter.*

