

# St. Bede's Catholic College

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## REFLECTION — 13th June

### St Anthony of Padua

At the age of 15, St Anthony asked to be sent to the Abbey of Santa Cruz where he learned theology and Latin. After seeing a small group of Franciscan friars, he felt a longing to join them and began to spread God's truth but became extremely sick.

After his recovery, he was asked to speak on whatever the Holy Spirit told him to speak of. Anthony had a book that contained notes to help teach students but was stolen by someone who left the hermitage. He prayed that it would be found or returned to him and it was returned soon after.

He was canonised less than a year after his death and made a Doctor of the Church in 1946 by Pope Pius XII. He is venerated as the Patron Saint for lost articles.



**Prayer:** Antony, give us your help in times of temptation; and enlighten our minds in searching the will of God. Help us to find the life of grace, which our sin destroyed, and lead us to the possession of the glory promised us by the Saviour. Amen.

**Reflection:** 'I once was lost, but now am found.'

## THE WIZARD OF OZ

Drama and music students at St. Bede's have had a busy week performing our production of 'The Wizard of Oz'. The cast, band, crew and staff have worked tirelessly over the past few months to ensure the production was a tremendous success.

Well done to all involved and thank you for the hard work and dedication. We are very proud of our incredibly talented pupils.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**19th June 2018**  
**Year 8 UN Day**

**22nd June 2018**  
**Final day of main**  
**GCSE Exams**

**26th June 2018**  
**Final day of main**  
**A Level Exams**

**Education Mass**  
**Clifton Cathedral**  
**7.00pm**

**28th June 2018**  
**Sixth Form Taster Day**

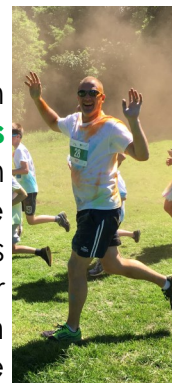
**29th June 2018**  
**Feast of St Peter**  
**and St Paul**

**29th June 2018**  
**Year 11 Leavers Day**

**29th June 2018**  
**Year 11 Prom**

## RAINBOW RUN

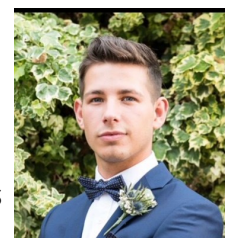
On Saturday 2nd June staff and pupils participated in the **Rainbow Run** to help raise money for **Children's Hospice South West**. Mr Johnson and Mrs Ford both ran with their families and were really pleased to be supported by a number of other families and pupils from all year groups. This year the event was held for the first time at Blaise Castle. The route went through part of the wood, which gave welcome shade to the 1500 runners within the community who took part. All of them were suitably covered with powder paint and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the occasion. Congratulations to all runners.



## GRADUATION SUCCESS

Congratulations to **James Sharp (2008-2013)** who graduated with a BSc (Hons) in Geography from Oxford Brookes University.

We are always pleased to hear of the achievements of our former pupils, please do contact us at [contact@stbedesccl.org](mailto:contact@stbedesccl.org)



## POLITE NOTICE PARKING

Please may we ask all parents to be mindful of our neighbours when dropping children off at college in the morning and waiting for them at the end of the college day. In the interest of safety, please avoid parking in front of driveways, disabled parking bays and in the coach bays. Thank you.

## DARREN JONES MP

Last week we welcomed local MP Darren Jones to St. Bede's Catholic College. Mr Jones met with our pupils and Mr Maher to discuss a range of issues relevant to our young people.





## SHARP SHOTZ

Yesterday Team Army; **Melisha D'Costa, Kristine Matute, Erin Buccat and Sophia San Pedro**, launched their **#IAmTreasure** campaign as part of their winning entry to this Year's **Sharp Shotz** competition.

The girls presented their film and campaign message to Year 7 in an assembly that they planned and delivered. The team spoke about body image and how this affects self-esteem and mental health in young people. They also gave an insight into the huge amount of work that has gone into winning the competition, producing campaign materials and designing a range of digital media including a website and their fantastic film.

The campaign website can be viewed at <http://www.sharp-shotz.com/index.php?page=st-bedes-i-am-treasure> where you will find the story behind the campaign and the exciting journey the girls have been on.

The team will attend a final event at the Watershed Cinema, Bristol on July 6th to celebrate their achievements. We are enormously proud! Well done.



## LIBRARY NEWS — WORLD CUP READING

Tom Palmer, author of popular football series including Foul Play and Football Academy, will be writing a daily story during the 2018 World Cup. The story follows events on and off the pitch as they happen.

*'Defenders: Russia follows friends Seth and Nadiya, also known as The Defenders. Together, they solve problems. Ghostly problems. With Seth's ability to see people from the past and Nadiya's passion for history, they are the perfect team to take on anything. And that anything is about to kick off in Russia at the World Cup finals.'*

Readers will have the chance to vote and change the storyline. The first chapter is available to download now and new ten minute chapters will be available for free every day until July 17th on the National Literacy Trust website: <https://literacytrust.org.uk/resources/defenders-russia-world-cup-2018-football-story/>

The library also has a display of football inspired novels, including books by Tom Palmer and World Cup information books for pupils to borrow. Pupils can also take part in the World Cup Library Quiz for the chance to win one of three copies of Kwame Alexander's 'Booked'. Collect an entry form from the library and return it by 3rd July.



## ARETÉ SIXTH FORM

### A Level Results Day—Thursday 16th August 2018

From 6.00am on Thursday 16th August, students will be able to log on to UCAS track to check the status of their application.

Year 13 results will be available from 8.00am for students who do not have a confirmed university place and from 9.30am for students who do have a confirmed university place. Results can be collected from the Areté building.

### Enrolment for Areté Sixth Form—For September 2018

Enrolment for Year 12 will take place in the Areté Sixth Form building on the following days:

Thursday 23rd August—10.00am-2.00pm  
Friday 24th August – 10.00am-2.00pm  
Monday 3rd September – 1.30pm-3.30pm

## SPORTS NEWS

Some of our Year 7 pupils enjoyed a day with **Judy Murray** on Wednesday, 6th June. The pupils participated in a workshop learning new skills and playing games. They put their new skills to the test playing tennis later in the week in a mini tournament at Bristol Free School.



Our Year 8 rounders team won their quarter final vs Fairfield last week but were defeated by Redland Green School in the semi-final. They played well, with determination and a great fighting spirit, well done girls.

Year 9, in their rounders match against Bristol Free School lost by 2 rounders, a remarkable result considering they were two players short.

St. Bede's Catholic College was the most represented school at the Bristol Athletics finals, with 7 out of 8 teams making it through.

Congratulations to all who participated, and a special thanks to the pupils who were called in at the last minute due to late withdrawals of team members.



## Michael Jones 2002-2017

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and many friends of Michael Jones who passed away last year on 17th June 2017.

A Remembrance Mass for Michael will be held with pupils at the college on Tuesday of next week as we remember such a wonderful boy.



## SAFEGUARDING SPOTLIGHT

'With the launch of Team Army's [#IAmTreasure](#) campaign this week we turn our attention to the issue of body image. Here is a message from the team:

### #IAmTreasure

We chose this title as we hope people will watch our film and realise that everybody is their own treasure and if they need to discover what that means to them we hope that our campaign might be able to do so.

How we think and feel about our bodies is a theme we have continually faced over the years and knew many of our friends had too. We are also really aware that bullying and issues with social media is not something we can solve in one day or with one campaign, however we are determined to get our school, at least, recognising this is an issue and offering support to students. Hopefully, if we can change our own community other people may realise they can do the same. This is exactly how we tackled our own body image issues.

We believe in the power of building each other up and the idea that one comment from a friend can change someone's perspective. We like to dream of what could happen if everybody watched our film and took action to help our cause.

View our website at <https://goo.gl/TeQPCL>

For more information on this important topic see the Be Real website ([www.berealcampaign.co.uk](http://www.berealcampaign.co.uk)) which includes advice about appearance-based bully and what a healthy body image is. The Children's Society website <https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/mental-health-advice-for-children-and-young-people/body-image> also has some excellent tips for developing a positive body image.





## SECONDARY ENGINEER LEADERS AWARD

Congratulations to year 7 pupil **Isabelle Van Lienden-Symes** who has been chosen as a Trophy winner in the **South West Region Secondary Engineer Leaders Award 2017-2018**; for her design 'Sonic Belt Collar'.

Approximately 2700 pupils from across the region entered the competition where they had the chance to meet an engineer, interview them about their role and then design an invention that would improve the lives of somebody in their family, wider community or elsewhere in the world. **Isabelle is one of just two students in the South West** to be awarded this prize for their age category.

We would like to thank Joseph Fahey for very kindly coming into College to meet the years 7's who took part. Isabelle will now attend an awards ceremony at the University of the West of England at the end of this month to receive her prize.

Congratulations also to **Angeline Clemence, Imogen Hall, Zaina Corrigan** and **Doyin Kudehinbu** who will have their work on public display at UWE Bristol Exhibition and Conference Centre on Saturday 30th June 2018.



## NORTH SOMERSET DANCE FESTIVAL

Congratulations to our two dance teams, *Dance Company* and *Dance Club* who competed in the North Somerset Festival of Dance last week. A great competition which allowed our pupils to really show off their talent. We are pleased to announce that *Dance Club* was awarded **third place** and *Dance Company* were crowned the **secondary school winners**. Well done to all involved.



## DUKE OF EDINBURGH SILVER EXPEDITION

Last weekend 23 Year 10 pupils travelled to the Wye Valley to complete their assessed **Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award**. The pupils started near Chepstow and walked to Bearse Farm near Bream. After a long day of walking, they set up their tents and cooked their food, showing their assessor, Mr Marshall, how much they had learnt since their practice expedition.

On Monday morning pupils woke with the sun and they set off towards Biblins Campsite near Monmouth. Despite struggles with hayfever and the hot weather, they made it to the campsite in great spirits and with plenty of time to roast marshmallows on the campfire.

On the final day they walked from the campsite to Lower Redbrook. Pupils conducted themselves with such maturity and enthusiasm over the three days and it was fantastic to see how much they improved in map reading and team work from their practice expedition three weeks ago. We are thrilled that all pupils who completed the expedition passed this element of the Duke of Edinburgh's award and now just need to complete the other elements of the awards: Volunteering, Skills and Physical. Well done to all those who were involved!

## VACANCIES

We are currently advertising the following positions:

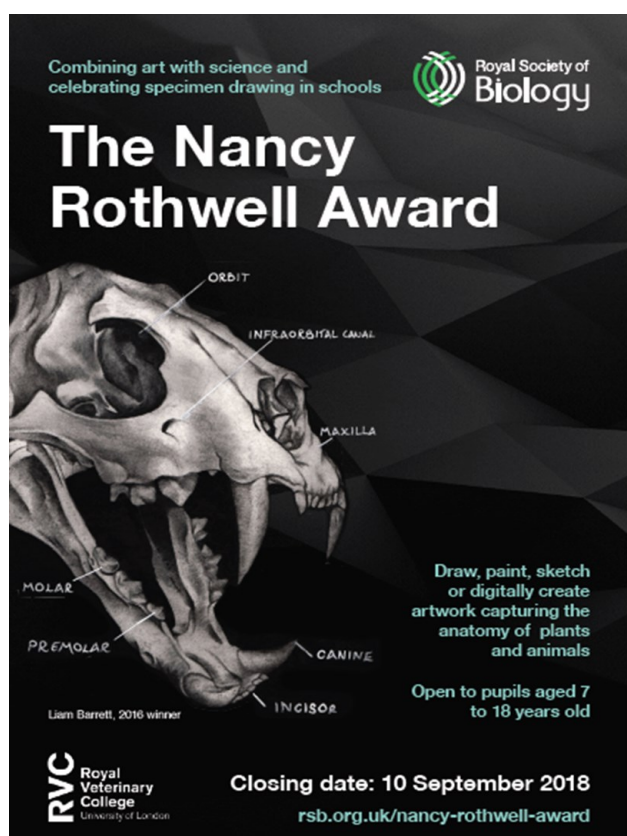
**SMSA School Meals Supervisory Assistant**

7.5 hours per week, term time only—£8.00 per hour

**Cleaner**

17 hours per week, all year—£8.00 per hour

Further details are available on our website [www.stbedescc.org](http://www.stbedescc.org)



## Love Art & Biology?

**The Nancy Rothwell Specimen drawing competition is open now!**

Pupils are invited to B10 on Tuesday lunchtimes for inspiration.

Further information can be found at:

<https://www.rsb.org.uk/get-involved/rsb-awards/nancy-rothwell-award>