# Friday 6th May 2022

## Dear parents

## Dates for the diary

<u>Date</u>	Year Group(s)	<u>Event</u>
Monday 9th - Thursday 12th May	Y6	Y6 SATS this week Y6 breakfast club available Monday - Thursday from 8.20am - 8.50am
Thursday 12th May	EYFS & KS1 (Nursery - Y2)	Infant Disco - 4.30pm - 6.00pm (If any children from sports club are attending the disco they can bring their disco clothes with them in the morning and staff will help them to get changed after the club has finished)  DISCO PICK UP ARRANGEMENTS Please send a note into school to let us know if someone different is picking your child up.  Nursery and Reception parents collect your child from the main entrance.  Y1 & Y2 parents - collect your child from the cloakroom door as normal.
Monday 16th - Friday 20th May	Y2	Y2 SATS this week
Monday 16th May	Reception	School nursing team coming to measure the heights and weights of children in Reception class.
Thursday 19th May	All classes	Class photographs
Thursday 19th May	Y3 Mini Tennis Team	Y3 Mini Tennis Team X 2 teams (10.00am - 12.00pm)  (Children in the tennis team need to make sure they are in school at 8.40am wearing their school uniform ready for a class photograph. They will then change into their PE kit ready to go to their tennis tournament)
Thursday 19th May	KS2 classes (Y3 - Y6)	KS2 Disco - 4.30pm - 6.00pm  DISCO PICK UP ARRANGEMENTS  Children to be collected from the yard as normal. Please send a note into school to let us know if someone different is picking your child up.
Friday 20th May	Athletics Team Year 3 & Year 4	9.30am - 3pm (Y3/4 Quadkids Athletics) X3 teams

Friday 20th May	Y6	School nurses - Y6 puberty talk
Tuesday 24th May	9.30am Whole School & parents welcome	Whole school Mass to celebrate the feast of St.Bede this week.
Wednesday 25th May	-	FEAST OF ST.BEDE
Thursday 26th May	Whole school	Jubilee Celebration (pm) (Children to come to school wearing red, white & blue)
Friday 27th May	Whole school	BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM 3.15PM
Monday 6th June	Y1	Y1 Phonics Screening Check begins this week
Monday 6th June	Y4	Y4 - Multiplication Tables Check begins this week
Monday 13th June - Wednesday 15th June	Y6	Y6 - Retreat at the Emmaus Village led by the Youth Ministry Team
Monday 13th - Friday 17th June	Y1 - Y5	Test Week
Wednesday 15th June	Y5/6	9.30am - 3pm - Quadkids athletics Y5/6 (x3 teams)
Sunday 18th June	Y4/5	First Holy Communion Mass at St.Bede's Church (10.00am)
Thursday 30th June	All classes	Sponsored Walk (just children) - details to follow
Friday 1st July	All classes	INSET day - school closed
Thursday 7th July	Y6	Y6 Play (pm)

Friday 8th July	Y6	Y6 Trip to Lightwater Valley
Wednesday 13th July	Y3	Beach trip - physical challenges / fun activities (9.30am - 12.00pm)
Thursday 14th July	Y6	Secondary School Transition Day (Y6 pupils)
Friday 15th July	Y6	Secondary School Transition Day (Y6 pupils)
Friday 15th July	Rec - Y5	Meet your new teacher afternoon
Monday 18th July	Y6	Y6 Leavers' Assembly 9.10am
Monday 18th July	Y6	Y6 Evening Disco
Tuesday 19th July	Whole school (Parents welcome)	End of year school Mass 9.30am
Tuesday 19th July	Whole school	Sports Day (pm)
Wednesday 20th July	Whole school	Summer Fair(pm)
Thursday 21st July	Whole School	Break up for summer holidays

## **Mrs Miller**

After more than 40 years service as a Nursery Nurse at St.Bede's, Mrs Miller has decided to retire at the end of the summer term. I am sure that you will all agree that so many children have benefitted over the years from Mrs Miller's kindness, expertise and warmth. She is one in a million and we will all be very sad to see her leave at the end of the year.



I am also thrilled to share with you that Mrs Miller has been nominated and selected as a finalist in two categories (Staff Member of the Year - Classroom Based and the Bishop Chadwick Achievement Award) for the Chadwick Celebration Awards evening which will be held in July. I know you will join me in congratulating Mrs Miller for making it through to the finals and wish her the best of luck for the awards evening. The staff, children and families of St.Bede's are all rooting for her and she will always be a star in our eyes. Good luck Mrs Miller



#### Feast of St. Bede

We will be celebrating the feast day of St. Bede, our patron saint, on Wednesday 25th May.



The Venerable Bede – also known as St Bede – is widely regarded as the greatest of all the Anglo-Saxon scholars. He lived and died in between the twin monasteries of Wearmouth and Jarrow in the North East of England between 673 and 735 AD and wrote or translated some forty books on practically every area of knowledge, including nature, astronomy, and poetry. He also wrote the first *martyrology* (a chronicle about the lives of the saints).

However, his most famous writing was on theology and history and his best known work is *The Ecclesiastical History of the English People.* 

Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee Celebration



We are looking forward to celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Thursday 26th May. The children will be invited to come into school on that day wearing the colours red, white and blue. We have some fun activities planned for the children on that day including a street party, corgi treasure hunt and a 'songs through the decades' singalong. Hopefully, the weather will be kind to us on that day.

#### **Safety Reminders**

Can I ask that children and parents do not ride bikes and scooters in the yard to avoid any accidents please.

Also, just a reminder that children are not allowed to use the climbing frame in the infant yard before and after school please. It is important that once the children have been collected that they stay with their parents.

#### **Safeguarding Policies**

<u>Copies of our safeguarding policies can be found on the St.Bede's school website:</u>
<u>Safeguarding Policies</u>

#### As a reminder - the safeguarding leads in school are:

Mrs Devine - Headteacher Mrs Mackley - Acting Deputy Headteacher Mr McVittie - Senior Leader Mrs Welsh - Family Support Officer



### **Y6 SATS Tests**

Good luck to our Year 6 pupils next week when they sit their end of key stage tests. You have all worked incredibly hard and we are proud of you all. You will do brilliantly and you are already all stars in our eyes.

As you can see, we have a very busy term ahead. We will keep you informed about the arrangements for the above events closer to the times.

With very best wishes,

Carol Devine

Headteacher