

St Bede's School

Newsletter

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RIP Queen Elizabeth II



"Throughout my life, the message and teachings of Christ have been my guide, and in them I find hope."

Queen Elizabeth II

After the sad news of the death of her Majesty the Queen yesterday, it was only right for the whole school to come together this morning to remember the Queen and pray for her and her family. The children and staff gathered in the hall and we remembered in particular how the Queen was a committed

Christian and how this shaped the way that she reigned and the way in which she served her country, with such love and integrity. May she rest in peace.

Welcome— We warmly welcome all of the new children in Early Years and throughout the school, as well as new adults, who

join us this term and hope that they settle in very quickly.

Visit to Portsmouth Cathedral— Yesterday five of our pupils accompanied Mrs Tobin and Mr Carroll to Portsmouth Cathedral to participate in a Diocesan schools liturgy, commemorating the visit of the relics of St Bernadette.

This Sunday's Gospel

Luke 15:1-32

'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it?'



Dates for your Diary

Meet the teacher for Y1—Y6 Monday 12th September at 4.15pm and 4.45pm. This is for parents only

Y6 Tie Ceremony—Tuesday 20th September at 9.10am. Parents welcome.

Butterflies Tie Ceremony—Tues 27th September at 9.10am. Parents welcome

Ladybirds Tie Ceremony—Thurs 29th September at 9.10am. Parents welcome



Our pupils led the congregation in prayer and were fortunate enough to receive a rosary which had been blessed by Pope Francis.

Farewell Fr Dominic— On Wednesday Fr Dominic celebrated our first school Mass of the year, but sadly his last Mass for the school, before his move away from St Bede's in a few days time. We are very grateful to Fr Dominic for all he has given to the school over the last two years and his constant love and support will be very much missed. At the end of the Mass Fr Dominic was presented with a gift (*right*) as a sign of appreciation from our whole school community.

New Playground— The children have been enjoying the upgrade to our KS1

playground which took place over the summer. The bright new colours and added facilities really brighten up the playground!

Well done Diyani— One of our pupils, Diyani DeSilva (*above*) has recently landed the starring role in a new Netflix series; 'Deepa and Anoop'. Diyani provided the voiceover for the main character in the show and was busy earlier in the year on the production. Well done Diyani!

Green Flag Award— A few weeks ago we received the Eco Green Flag Award which is designed to place young people in control of environmental actions in their school, local community and beyond. In recognising our work The Eco-Schools team said: 'We love your democratic and fair approach to appointing Eco-Committee



members. It's great to see that other pupils played a part in the process. It was really great to read how your Environmental Review provided the basis for the projects in your Action Plan. It demonstrates a reflective and considered approach to your Eco-Schools work, this is a great skill that many adults can learn from!

Thanks and well done to everyone involved in the school receiving this award!



Have a lovely weekend...

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