

St Bede's School Newsletter

20th January 2023

Spring Term Issue 1



Yr 4 Trip to Winchester Science Centre



On Thursday of last week, the children from Year 4 visited the Winchester Science Centre to supplement the learning they have attained in school. They began with an incredible rocket-ship workshop, in which they had to design their own rocket that was then launched across the room using a methylated spirit. There was much applause as the children

watched the winning team's rocket fly the entire length of the room, crashing into the opposite wall. The children also had the opportunity to explore the multitude of activities that were set up around the centre, as well as attend a planetarium experience that took them into outer space to explore the planets and

stars of our universe, and beyond. The children had a fantastic day and it brought them experiences that they will remember for many years to come.

Reported by Mr Parry

Year 4 Visit to Queen Mary's College— As part of our learning on mixtures and separating them, Year 4 travelled to

This Sunday's Gospel

Matthew 4:12-23

As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee he saw two brothers, Simon, who was called Peter, and his brother Andrew; they were making a cast in the lake with their net, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.' And they left their nets at once and followed him.

Dates for your Diary

Tues 24th Jan at 9.10am in the hall—St Dorothy Liturgical Prayer—please join us

Friday 27th January—INSET Day—school will be closed to the children

Tues 31st Jan at 9.10am in the hall—St Blaise Liturgical Prayer—please join us

Queen Mary's College on Wednesday to take part in a variety of activities linked to the key scientific ideas behind their school topic (*right*). There were a wide range of scientific instruments to use, many of which the children had not had the opportunity to experience before. Perhaps the most awe-inspiring experiment was the use of a balloon to separate pepper from salt. By rubbing the balloon against their jumper and thus building up a static charge, the children were then able to place it over the salt and pepper - where only the pepper was attracted to it, sticking to the balloon instantly! Overall, the day served as a great opportunity to introduce the children to their new topic this term, and enthuse them for the further learning that will be taking place back at school over the weeks ahead.

Reported by Mr Parry

Strike Action by the National Union of Teachers (NEU) - The NEU has called it's members to strike over it's ongoing dispute with the government over teachers' pay. Strikes will take place

on the following dates:

Wednesday 1 February 2023: all eligible members in England and Wales.

Tuesday 14 February 2023: all eligible members in Wales.

Tuesday 28 February 2023: all eligible members in the following English regions: Northern, North West, Yorkshire & The Humber.

Wednesday 1 March 2023: all eligible members in the following English regions: East Midlands, West Midlands, Eastern.

Thursday 2 March 2023: all eligible members in the following English regions: London, South East, South West.

Wednesday 15 March 2023: all eligible members in England and Wales.

Thursday 16 March 2023: all eligible members in England and Wales.

The dates underlined above may impact provision as St Bede's depending on whether NEU members decide to strike or not. It is possible that on these days, certain classes may have to close, if we are unable to provide adequate cover in the event of teacher absence. We will inform parents further about this situation, when we are in a better position to determine the level of impact - hopefully next week.



*Donald I; Clarice M
Lucas HH; Sammy R*

Well done to the children who have won these recent awards

WOW Awards

Mission Hearts

Luca S; Harrison B

Temidola O; David H

Olivia G; Luke S

Patrick S; Liliana W

Gabi B; Hephzi Y

Sammy M; Lily M

Tristen L; Ariana K

Olivia M; Carmen H

Jake M; Rosa S

Diyeni DS; Vlad V

Jemima S; Kasper D

Marcella M; Zac B

Idara U; Bella M

Gracie B; Immy WB

Beluchi A; Goda J

Ciara M; Charlotte P

Emmanuel N; Amelia S

Nathan L; Harry W

Ralph Y; Yoza O

Thomas P; Hazel B

Christabel M; Seb J

Isla B; Olivia D

Alex M; Henry FH

Bruno K; Oliver H

Darcy B; Jeremiah O

Joshua GL; Amelia P

Hugo BM; Timmy B

Charlyn P; Kasper J

Evelyn J; Jimmy McG

Thea P; Antonina F

Elsie-Joy L; Alex K

Hanna K; Thomas P

Eva S; Niamh R

Aurelia K; Oska C

Rory B; David B

Lucille V; Miguel A

Lily L; Jewel T



Have a lovely weekend...

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