

# St Bede's School Newsletter

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## Cross Country Athletes!



A huge well done to all of the boys and girls (above) who represented St Bede's at the Basingstoke Schools Cross Country Competition at Down Grange earlier this week. Many of the children had never taken part in such an event before and a run as long and as challenging as this was new to most of them. However all of the boys and girls took part with grit and determination giving 100% all of the way. A particular well done must go to Benji and Yoza in Year 4 who came 7th and 8th respectively, out of over

120 competitors.

*Year 4 Trip to Winchester Science Museum—* On Thursday of last week, the children from Year 4 visited the Winchester Science Centre to supplement the learning they have been doing in school recently. 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 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 (*below*), 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 Mrs Mazur*

### This Sunday's Gospel

Mark 1:40-45

*A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured.*

### Dates for your Diary

Fri 9th February—INSET Day  
Monday 12th—Friday 16th  
February—Half Term

Tues 20th February—St Catherine Class Worship—9.10am in the hall—please join us

Tues 27th February—St Blaise Class Worship—9.10am in the hall—please join us

Tues 5th March—St Alexis Class Worship—9.10am in the hall—please join us



**NSPCC Number Day**— Last Friday we celebrated the NSPCC Number Day in our school. The teachers were all thoroughly impressed with the variety of number themed outfits that came into school (*examples below*) and the children spent time thinking about the importance of numbers in our world. We all quickly realised that EVERY job in the world involves numbers in some way and of course that we use them every day in our lives. In KS2, year groups competed against each other on

Times Table Rockstars with certificates awarded to the top players and in KS1, children completed some fun number themed activities in their class. We are grateful to all who continue to support their children with Maths at home by helping them to use it in real life scenarios as well as completing Maths homework and TT Rockstars. *Reported by Mr Sharkey*

**Parents' Social Evening**— Last Friday night we held an Asian themed social event for parents. We starting the night with the amazing



## **SEN/Class Learning Support Assistant & Lunchtime Supervisor required**

We are seeking to appoint a full-time Learning Support Assistant to support children at our school during class time who will also be part of our Lunchtime Supervisory Team, supporting our children during the lunch period. More details are available on request.

The hours are from 8.45am to 3.30pm, Monday to Friday, Term Time only.

### **The successful candidate will:**

- Have previous successful experience of working with children
- Be able to work as part of a team with a positive, 'can do' attitude
- Have excellent communication skills, relating well to children, colleagues and parents
- Have a calm, positive and kind approach
- Be able to work independently and with initiative
- Be resilient, flexible, organised and resourceful
- Be supportive of the Catholic ethos of the school
- Have a clear understanding of confidentiality and safeguarding procedures
- Be comfortable in supporting young children with personal care and hygiene

Please visit our website or email Mrs Colleen Mitchell at the school to obtain an application form or to arrange a visit.

**This is my Commandment:**

**That you love one another as I have loved you**

*Jn 15: 12*

**As pupils, staff, governors and parents of St Bede's Catholic Primary School, Our Mission is to live by the values of Jesus**

**St Bede's Catholic Primary School**

*Love one another as I have loved you*



'Basingstoke Philippino Choir' (above) who blew us away with their performance. Parents enjoyed some authentic Asian snacks whilst making new friends and catching up with old ones. A big thanks to Mrs Wong who took the art sessions, teaching parents how to paint with authentic Chinese paint and brushes (below). Thanks also to Wendy and the other parent helpers for supporting the social event. And finally a very big thanks to Mrs Burton for coming up with idea

and organising the whole event.

*Mental Health Assembly—* As part of [Children's Mental Health Week](#), our mental health lead Mrs Crawford led a whole school assembly for the children on Wednesday (lower right). During the assembly Mrs Crawford explained to the children what 'mental health' means, how we keep mentally healthy and what we should do if our mental health suffers. Many thanks Mrs Crawford!



*Well done to the children who have won these recent awards*

WOW Awards

Mission Hearts

- Jimmy McG
- Kuba H
- Marcus D
- Stanley BD
- Evelyn J
- Savannah S
- Amelia S
- Kavreet K
- Angel K
- Giana F
- Bezalel M
- Misha T
- Penelope C
- Adrian O
- Ryan M
- Emilia A
- Woody A
- Melia N
- Lily H

- Oliver A
- Nayla A
- Finlay D
- Nifemi O
- Michael F
- Hugo D
- Amara A
- Jewel T
- Marcella M
- Mariama DD
- Jasper P
- Kaymin P
- Beluchi A
- Patrick S
- Anna K
- Celine N
- Elizabeth J
- Alex K
- Candice M



*Have a lovely half term holiday...*

*Mr J Carroll  
Headteacher*

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