



St. Bede's Catholic School and Byron Sixth Form College

'Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world ablaze'

Newsletter: June 13 2025

Faith

This coming Sunday, the Church celebrates the great feast of the Most Holy Trinity. The Gospel (John 16: 12-15) remind us that in the one God there are three persons. The Father creates us, the Son saves us and the Spirit gives us life. Out of his great love for us, God created all people to enjoy the life and loving relationship of the Holy Trinity – forever.

Excellence

Headteacher's Award

Congratulations to **Heidi Cook 8H1** who is this week's winner of our Headteacher's Award. Heidi has been embodying the values that St. Bede's strives to instill in all its students. Her commitment to her studies and her willingness to support others have not gone unnoticed. Keep up the fantastic work, Heidi, and continue to inspire those around you!

Tutor Group of the Week

For the second week in a row, 10O1 are the winners of our Tutor Group of the Week! Who can challenge them to the title next week or will they make it a hat trick?

House Students of the Week

Columba: **Daniel Williams 10C2**

Hilda: **Brody Goodricke 7H1** and **Ava Raine 10H1**

Oswald: **Neve Brownlee 8O1**





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East Durham Trust: People's Pantry - all welcome

A community pantry runs from the Community Hub in Peterlee every Wednesday at 1pm and Friday at 9am. There is a mixture of fresh and non-perishable items available. All they ask is that, if possible, a donation is made towards the costs of the food. Pay as you feel, if you can.

Opening times: Wednesday 1pm - 3pm / Friday 9am - 11am

Community Hub, Peterlee Memorial Church, Bede Way, Peterlee SR8 1AD

For further information please contact East Durham Trust on 0191 569 3511 or info@eastdurhamtrust.org.uk



End of Year Celebrations: Years 7-10

As we approach the end of another fantastic school year, we are beginning to prepare for our end-of-year celebrations. This is a special time for us to reflect on the accomplishments of our student - not only within the classroom, but beyond it as well.

We know that many of our students participate in a wide range of extracurricular activities, including sports, music, art, drama, volunteering, competitions, and more. We would love to recognise and celebrate these achievements as part of our celebration.

If your child has accomplished something outside of school that you feel deserves a special mention - big or small - please let us know!

This could include:

- Sporting achievements (teams, tournaments, personal milestones etc.)
- Artistic performances and qualifications (dance, drama, music etc.)
- Community involvement or volunteering
- Awards or competitions
- Personal projects or milestones

Please send a brief description of your child's achievement(s) to our special celebration email account: dbb-celebration@st-bedes.org.

Please include in the email your child's name, year group, house group and any relevant details, and if possible, photos or certificates that we can display (with your permission).

Thank you for helping us acknowledge and celebrate the full spectrum of our students' talents and hard work. We're looking forward to making our end-of-year event a joyful and inclusive occasion for everyone.

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Feast of St Columba

On Monday (9th June), our community joyfully gathered to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Columba, who is one of our house saints. St Columba was the beloved Irish missionary and founder of the monastery at Iona. He was known for his deep faith, wisdom, and tireless efforts in spreading the Gospel across Scotland. St. Columba continues to inspire us with his legacy of peace, prayer, and pilgrimage.

As we remember St. Columba, may we too be moved to live with the same bold faith, compassion, and commitment to building a community rooted in love and hope.

Uniform Donations – Help Us Support the Next Generation!

As our Year 11 students prepare to move on to new adventures, we invite families to consider donating any gently used school uniforms that are no longer needed. These donations go a long way in supporting other students and families in our school community.

Blazers, shirts, ties, skirts, trousers, PE kits, and other uniform items in good condition are all appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at the school office.

Thank you for helping us promote sustainability, reduce waste, and support one another!



Maths Legends

Congratulations to this week's newest legends - they personify our core values as a school, in particular, exemplifying respect, determination and responsibility within their maths lessons.

Miss Houghton - **Joseph Knox 9H1**

Mr Taylor - **Charlie Tudball 9C2**

Mr Fowler - **Evan Turns 7H2**

Mr Marrs - **Daniel Hodgson 9O2**

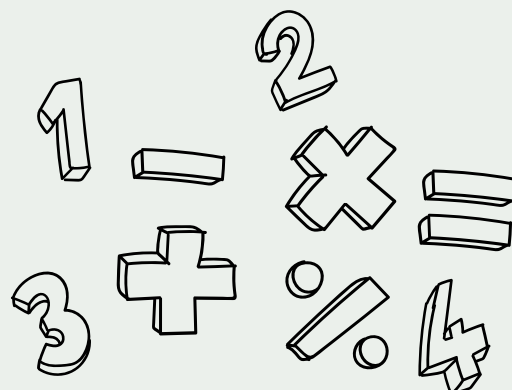
Dr Treanor - **Saniya Thomas 9C3**

Mr Still - **Isla-Rose Morrison 8O**

Mr Hudspith - **Joseph Woollett 11H1**

Mrs Keniry - **Bree Wood 8O2**

Mr Watts - **Charlotte Wylie 7O2**



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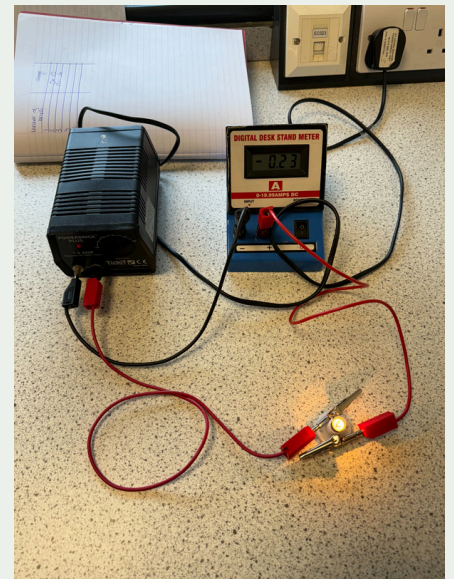
Lab Coat Legends

In science we want to award and celebrate the excellent effort put in by our different students. Working hard in science lessons builds problem-solving skills, encourages curiosity, and helps students understand the world around them. It shows determination by often involving analysing complex problems, predicting outcomes and conducting experiments.

Mrs Hayward – **Mallie Clayton 10X2**
 Mr Moss – **Joel Soppitt 9X2**
 Mr Griffiths – **Isabel Wood 7X1**
 Mrs Armstrong – **Rosie Holmes 9Y1**
 Miss Roberts – **Alfie Oliver-Goggins 9Y2**
 Mr Balls – **Alfie Hanover 8Y2**
 Mr Bowyer – **Alfie Lynch 8X2**
 Mrs Lord – **Leon Smith 10X4**

This Week in Science

This week in Science our Year 7 students have been learning to create circuits, measure current and voltage and calculate resistance using Ohm's Law. This has allowed students to better their understanding of electrical appliances and develop critical thinking through hands on learning.



CAFOD Fundraising

Thank you to all students that have contributed to our fundraising for CAFOD - we have raised £200. Your generosity and effort in supporting this cause are truly commendable. Every penny raised will go towards helping those in need, providing essential resources and support to communities around the world. We are incredibly proud of the compassion and dedication shown by our students and staff. Let's continue to work together to make a positive impact!

CAFOD
 Just one world



Sixth Form

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SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

Milad's scholarship success!

Year 13 student Milad Al Sammak has secured a prestigious Fiona Hill scholarship to attend Durham University next year. Milad plans to study Theology and has been awarded this generous scholarship in recognition of his hard work and improvement throughout his Sixth Form experience.

Lauren and Chloe explore Healthcare careers:

Lauren Balls and Chloe Laidler, both in Year 12, spent time this week exploring the opportunities offered by the healthcare faculty at the University of Sunderland. The carousel event allowed both students to explore a range of healthcare degrees including paramedic science and nursing. Both students are talented athletes as well as scholars and these hands-on degrees appeal strongly for their sense of purpose as well as academic challenge. Lauren plans to study physiotherapy after leaving Sixth Form, whilst Chloe is considering a degree in paramedic science.

Year 12 head to Leeds:

Year 12 are excited to visit the University of Leeds Undergraduate Open Day this Friday. Students will explore a range of lectures, taster sessions, masterclasses and tours of departments and accommodation. With such a range of academic interests in Year 12, from medicine to law, psychology to English Literature, we're looking forward to seeing what Leeds University could offer us. With the generous support of the University of Leeds, this trip is free to all students in Year 12.

Byron Sixth Form College 2025 entry - limited places remain:

Still unsure about your options for Sixth Form? Want an ambitious, caring, small Sixth Form with a focus on achieving our goals and finding our passions?

Byron Sixth Form has a limited number of places still available. Apply now via the school website.

To view our latest Sixth Form Prospectus [click here.](#)



Key Dates

- Monday 16 June: Week A
- Monday 23 June: Transition evening - Y6 parents
- Wednesday 25 June: SEND coffee morning
- Thursday 26 - Friday 27 June: Y6 Transition Days
- Friday 4 July: INSET - school closed for pupils
- Thursday 17 July: End of term *Summer holiday begins Friday 18 July

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

Designated safeguarding leads:



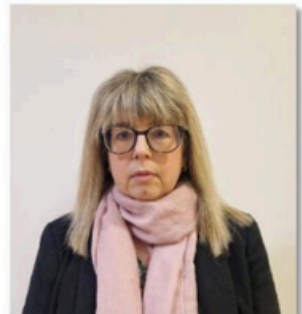
Mr Logan
Designated
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Mrs Robinson
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Class Charts: www.classcharts.com

Our Parish: Our Lady of the Rosary in Peterlee and Horden

Our Diocese: Hexham & Newcastle

