

St Bede's School Newsletter

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Summer Term Issue 5



International Day!



International day was enjoyed with the whole school taking trips to different parts of the world. They explored 5 different countries, trying out traditional art work and crafts, music, singing and dancing. It's been a wonderful opportunity for the children to celebrate the diversity of the school. Thank you parents for celebrating with us, sending your children in with some beautiful traditional costumes and the amazing selection of food you provided for the children to share.

Reported By Mrs Burton

Last week, Year 5 spent the day at Wintershall in Surrey experiencing an immersive theatrical production of the Life of Christ, from His birth to resurrection. We joined about 800 children from other schools and over a hundred brilliant actors, in the stunning grounds of Wintershall Estate as we watched Jesus' life recreated with authentic detail in an epic open-air production.

We were blessed with

beautiful weather as we sat in natural tree lined amphitheatres to watch each act unfold, and moved with the cast to a different location between the 4 Acts of the play.

Among all the acts, the children loved seeing a REAL baby Jesus, watching the Wedding in Cana, sharing the bread at the Feeding of the 5000 and seeing the Last Supper unfold before their eyes.

It was an ideal way for children to experience the Bible stories that they

This Sunday's Gospel

John 21:15-19

Jesus showed himself to his disciples, and after they had eaten he said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?'

He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'

Dates for your Diary

Butterflies Celebration of the Word—9.10am on Tues 2nd July. Please join us in the hall

Ladybirds Celebration of the Word—9.10am on Tues 9th July. Please join us in the hall

Friday 19th July at 9,30am in the church – Leavers Mass.



have read so many times at school, and to get a sense of what it must have been like for Jesus' followers at the time he was on Earth with them.

The children also picked up some tips on acting in the outdoors for our own exciting production next week! We all agreed that it was a great day in many ways.

Reported by Mrs Phillips

On Monday we had a special worship from Mr Dutton, about Clean Air Week. Mr Dutton told us about an adventure he goes on every morning as he walks into school, how he is able to appreciate the world around him all the more when he is out of the car, and we reflected on how we could all help look after God's creation, by

trying to scoot, walk or cycle more often, for short journeys, perhaps to and from school, or to the shops. We were set the challenge of doing one extra journey a week without using a car.

Reported by Mr Dutton

On Wednesday, we brought together a diverse range of artists to share their artwork and transformed St Bede's school grounds into an art gallery for parents and children alike. The children of all year groups took the opportunity to showcase their arts and creativity in a whole school art exhibition. This year's theme was identity. Pupils created their own self-portraits that revealed something about their own identity and what makes each one of them unique. All the children

were rightly very excited and proud of their fantastic artwork. A special thank you to Mrs Wong and all the adults who made this day special.

Reported by Mrs Mazur



won at the end of the day,

We came 3rd overall and were offered a place at the county championships to represent Basingstoke

Reported by Mr Axford



Pupils from Y4, Y5 and Y6 performed to a sell-out Anvil audience last week. They joined with 500 children from Basingstoke primary schools to present a magnificent concert. The children sang in the choir, played in the orchestra and narrated the story about The Elements, which was this year's theme. Their hours of practice certainly paid off, and they were a credit to St. Bede's, both in how they performed, and their behaviour. Well done to all!

Reported by Miss Timms & Mrs Hynes

Some of the year 6 children took part in the Quad kids athletics competition this year at They Vyne,

This involved jumping, throwing, a sprint and a long distance race. They also did a relay that they

On Tuesday, Year 6 were fortunate enough to attend a nature workshop run by members of Hampshire Council. They learnt about the different habitats local to us and spent some time netting and examining different insects. A wildlife expert caught some aquatic wildlife for the children to look at, including a Great Crested Newt. It was a wonderful day spending time outside and getting to know the local area.



Have a lovely weekend...

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