



From the Headteacher...

Welcome back after a two week break. I hope that this proved to be a restful and enjoyable time.

I am delighted to announce that Mrs Otley, teacher of English has been awarded Fellowship of the Chartered College of Teaching (FCCT). Fellowship is the highest and most prestigious membership of the Chartered College and recognises the achievements, skills and expertise of teachers and leaders. Fellows of the Chartered College, who receive the post-nominals FCCT, play an important role in shaping the future of the profession and supporting future generations of teachers to deliver the best education for young people. Congratulations to Mrs Otley.

Congratulations to Mrs Saul, teacher of computing who has just achieved a further masters degree with an MSc in Advanced Computer Science.

Following on from our Sixth Form Open Evening I mentioned that we will be offering scholarships. The deadline for applications is Wednesday 13th November with interviews taking place during the week of 25th November. Further details of all scholarship applications and the process are available on our school website.



Poppies are available in school should children wish to make a donation. Thank you for supporting The Royal British Legion. Monday 11th November is Armistice Day, marking 101 years since the end of the First World War. We will be observing a one minute silence giving us a chance to remember not just those who fought, but what they fought for.

The whole school gathered in the hall this morning, to celebrate an All Souls Remembrance Mass with Father James. The day is dedicated to remembering our departed loved ones, and praying for them as they journey to Heaven. It was an opportunity to remember loved ones, family, friends and the forgotten. Thank you to some of our alumni who also joined us for this special celebration.



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Mission Statement

Through faith and a broad education, Bishop Challoner School strives to develop and nurture each child's unique talents. To Live, Love and Learn like Christ and fulfil their true potential in an ever changing world.



SENIOR SPORTS

Football Success

Football at Bishop Challoner is going from strength to strength.

Thomas, Jerome, Gabriel, Lewis and Wesley have all been invited to the national trials for the ISA Football team. All five pupils attend ACS Egham for the Southern section of the trials as they competed against talented ISA pupils. I am pleased to say all pupils performed well and we wish them well in the national trials.

Mr Snadden – PE Teacher



On Tuesday the Year 7 and 8 football team put in a fantastic performance against Sackville School to keep their unbeaten run this year. The team should be proud of their performance an efforts in tough conditions. Bishop Challoner were 4-2 up at half time and in the second half pulled away to win the game 14-2. Well done to all of those involved a special mention goes to our goal scorers Taye x4, Isaac x3, Kash x2, Daniel x2, James x2 and Abdul.

Mr Raveney – PE Teacher



SENIOR NEWS

Playwriting Workshop

We welcomed award-winning playwright and actor Yolanda Mercy to Bishop Challoner School this week to host a playwriting workshop for pupils from years 7 to 11. Pupils took part in games, free-writing and stimulus exercises to explore the art of creative writing as part of the National Theatre's New Views competition. It was great to meet such an exciting artist and the pupils were definitely inspired to start their journey towards writing a play of their own. We look forward to seeing Yolanda again when she returns to feedback on first drafts in the spring.

Mrs Otley – English Teacher



House Assembly

In the Hall, on Monday morning, we held a House assembly on the theme of teamwork.

After listening to an inspirational story about the Brooklyn Bridge, the Junior and Senior House coordinators displayed some brilliant togetherness in attempting the Helium Hula Hoop challenge, which is not as easy as you think. St Denis' did extremely well and displayed some fantastic unity and solidarity, which was great to see.



In other House news, Mrs Anderson and myself judged the Respectful, Ready and Safe poster competition. Brilliantly, many designs were entered. Every entry gained a valuable Team point towards their House. The above poster will be displayed around the school.



Mr Peck – House Co-ordinator

House Winners

The winners:

- 1st) Milana- Yr 2- St Denis,
- 2nd) Jessica- Yr 2- St Michael,
- 3rd) Faith-Reception-St Edmund.

Current House Standings after all competitions so far:

- St Denis - 230
- St Michael - 205
- St Edmund - 165
- St Patrick - 125

Please don't forget to enter the 'House re-brand' competition, which finishes next week.

Next event is the Christmas decoration competition.



EYFS Assembly

The children in Nursery and Reception joined together for an EYFS assembly this week.



These assemblies are a wonderful opportunity for the two ends of the EYFS to celebrate their union and support the transition of the nursery children.

The assembly focused on Remembrance Sunday and the Poppy Appeal. The children heard about the origins of the day and talked about things that we must never forget. The children came up with some wonderful ideas and 6 special poppies were chosen for us to remember things. The children

decided these should be to remember mummies, daddies, brothers and sisters, children around the world, to do good listening to parents and teachers and to never forget God. What amazing sentiments children - your teachers are very proud of you indeed.

Please remember to purchase your poppy from the front lobby and support the Royal British Legion in their support of others. Lest we Forget.

Ms Ludlam - Head of Nursery / EYFS Co-ordinator



Ms Barker - Head of KS1 & KS2

JUNIOR NEWS

Junior Stars

Reception: Devin - Excellent homework, beautifully presented.

Year 1: Daisy - For making excellent progress with reading.

Year 2: Deanna - Always having such a positive attitude to learning.

Year 3: Nixon - Calm and thoughtful approach to learning. Always a good example to others.

Year 4: Melvin - Working very hard in all subject areas.

Year 5: Eden - Always working hard and putting extra effort into everything she does.

Year 6 Alpha: Arianna C - Fantastic history project completed over the half term holiday.

Year 6A: Arianna D - Mature and thoughtful approach to learning.

Congratulations to all our stars!



ONE LAST THING...

Safeguarding Essentials

Bishop Challoner is committed to promoting the safety and welfare of all our pupils. Safeguarding children is everyone's responsibility. If you have any safeguarding concerns, please report them immediately to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), Mrs S Woolaway, or the Deputy DSL, Ms A Barker.

Social media now plays a very part in the lives of our pupils. Whilst there are many advantages to be gained, please be aware that many sites have age restrictions. The minimum age for a WhatsApp account is 16 years and for Snapchat, Instagram and Facebook, the recommended age is 13 years. Each site offers advice to parents, so if you would like further information or to download their free brochure please visit:

[HTTPS://WWW.WEBWISE.IE/PARENTS/](https://www.webwise.ie/parents/)

Donations

We would appreciate your donations of toys and gifts for children aged 0-18 and hamper items (please no nuts or alcohol) for bereavement charity, Living On. Please bring to the nursery or contact Ms Ludlam on eludlam@bcsweb.co.uk for further details.

Beach Clean Reminder

10.00am on Sunday 17th November on Dungeness Beach.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

 [SEE FULL CALENDAR](#)

Monday

11 NOVEMBER

- Y12 & Y13 Science Live

Tuesday

12 NOVEMBER

- Y9-Y11 French theatre visit

Wednesday

13 NOVEMBER

- Senior Pupil Voice
- Junior Pupil Voice
- 6th Form Scholarship Application Deadline
- PTA Meeting, 8.30am

Friday

15 NOVEMBER

- Y3 & Y4 Mass

