

31<sup>st</sup> October 2022

Yesterday was the Thirty-first Sunday of Ordinary time and in the Gospel, Luke shared the story of Zacchaeus, the tax collector. Luke told this story to share the message that God loves everyone and that forgiveness is a huge part of this love. The children in assembly talked about how important it is to ask for forgiveness when they have made the wrong choices in life. The children practiced saying a silent prayer to God and listening carefully in the silence to know what to do next. Listening to God.



### Statements to Live By

Our Statement to Live By this week is:

**I try to be just and fair**

We have discussed in school during whole school collective worship what this means to the children. The message for them is to know when things are right, when there is justice and fairness. Sometimes children find this a challenge and simply say – that's not fair. I have asked them to really think about the reasons behind decisions aiming to be fair as much as possible in their words and actions.

### **Parents Welcome Meeting**

It was lovely to see you all on Wednesday before the holidays. Staff were pleased that they could welcome you into the classrooms so that you could get a feel for the environment that the children are in every day.

For those of you who were unable to attend please do get in touch if you have any queries.

Teachers have begun arranging one to one parent sessions and will continue to contact parents so that you can have an appointment. Please email your child's teacher if you have not arranged a meeting with them regarding your children progress this term.





Thank you for your support for the Autumn Fayre before the holidays. It was another opportunity to come together as a school community and have fun.

Thank you for the donations so far, money raised will be used to provide the children with additional special treats. We will let you know the total once we have had the time to count it. Donations for the Matthew Project was fantastic and we are so pleased that we can continue to support those who are in need in our area.

### **Reception Sep 2023**

The application process for children starting Reception class in Sep 2023 starts on the **1<sup>st</sup> Nov 2022** and this is via the Northumberland County Council website please see below for link and details.

It is important that parents applying to St Bede's for a place ensure they have also completed a supplementary form and provided evidence in paper form to the school office by the closing date of **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

Please contact school should you need any clarification on the process as it can be a challenge to navigate sometimes.

#### **Online applications via Northumberland County Council**

**Online Admissions Portal** for First and Primary school admissions will be open on the 1st of November 2022.

<https://schadm.northumberland.gov.uk/CitizenPortal LIVE/en>

*(You need to register as a new user if you haven't used the Portal before. If you've forgotten your password, click on forgotten password link) - (for late applications see below). You must complete an application for a place in a Reception class even if your child attends the school nursery or pre-school setting.*

[leaflet on how to apply](#) and [portal user guidance](#) to help you with your application

# IMPORTANT DATES

<b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October</b>	Back to school 8:45am
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</b>	Y5 + Y6 trip to Laing art gallery and St Mary's Cathedral
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 9am</b>	Year 1 leading Liturgical Prayer in school hall
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 10am</b>	Reception joining parish for Mass at Church
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 9am</b>	Reception and Year 6 Liturgical Prayer in school hall
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 10am</b>	Year 5 joining parish for Mass at Church
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 9am</b>	Year 5 leading Liturgical Prayer in school hall
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 10am</b>	Year 4 joining parish for Mass at Church
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November</b>	School photographer
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 9am</b>	Year 4 leading Liturgical Prayer in school hall
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 10am</b>	Year 3 joining parish for Mass at Church
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November</b>	School closed to pupils
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 9am</b>	Year 3 leading Liturgical Prayer in school hall
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 10am</b>	Year 2 joining parish for Mass at Church
<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 9am</b>	Year 2 leading Liturgical Prayer in school hall
<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 10am</b>	Year 1 joining parish for Mass at Church
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 10am</b>	Whole school joining parish for Mass at Church
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	School Breaks up for Christmas
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>	Back to school 8:45am

**\*\*More dates/events will be added throughout the term and we will notify you.**

Christmas productions / shows		
Date	Time	Event
Monday 12 Dec	2 – 3pm	Year 1 & 2 Christmas Production
	10 – 11am	Year 1 & 2 Christmas Production
Tuesday 13 Dec	2 – 3pm	EYFS Christmas Production
Wednesday 14 Dec	10 – 10:30am	EYFS Christmas Production
Wednesday 14 Dec	2 – 3pm	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Production
Thursday 15 Dec	10 – 11am	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Production
Thursday 15 Dec	2 – 3pm	Year 5 & 6 Christmas production
Thursday 15 Dec	5 – 6pm	Year 5 & 6 Christmas production
Friday 16 Dec		Whole school Christmas Panto at Newcastle Tyne Theatre
Tuesday 20 Dec		In school Clumsiest Elf Christmas Performance for children