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Welcome Back

The students have returned to the academy exceptionally well. We have been impressed with them all. They have shown the academy core values as they have settled back into a routine. We cannot thank you enough for your cooperation with the new procedures. Routines have improved each day as we have all become more familiar. We have all been reminded this week about the importance of social distancing. Please ensure whilst waiting at the gates and walking through the academy you maintain social distance from other parents. When waiting at the gate, please stand on the same side as the route you take. This will avoid any crossovers.

Left Route:

- Nursery
- Year 2
- Year 3
- Year 4

Right Route:

- Reception
- Year 1
- Year 5
- Year 6

Character Education

It is so wonderful to be back in the Academy with so many smiling faces! Thank you for all your support during this difficult time.

We know that working together with you, we can make a huge difference in the lives of our children and in our Blyth community.

As you know, we believe that each of us is made in the image of God and so are infinitely precious, gifted for a purpose and morally responsible.

We want our children to leave our academy not only having had an excellent academic education but also an excellent Character Education.

As part of our Character Programme, this half term we are focusing on Charity and Giving Back. We will think about how we can be thankful for those who have helped us during this pandemic including NHS workers, friends and family.

Please click the link for more information.

<https://spark.adobe.com/page/DssKlZpxnrRat/>

Thank you

It has been heart-warming to have so many of you ask after the member of staff who has been tested positive for Covid-19. I want to reassure you that she is well, something we are very thankful for. She has not been in the academy since Friday and the results trace back to outside the academy. The member of staff continues to stay in touch with her class remotely.

Google Classroom

Students who are self-isolating will receive daily work and contact from their class teacher on Google Classroom. Students who are awaiting test results will have access to general resources on Google Classroom. These resources will be relevant to the child's year group and will be uploaded in the next few days.



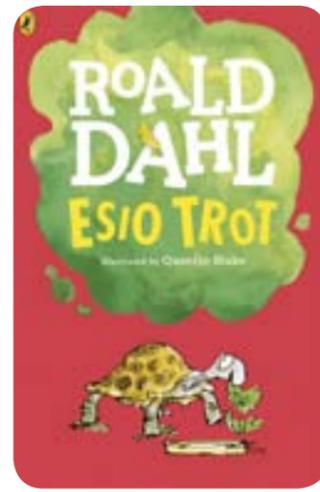
Year 2 Roald Dahl

Year 2 are reading Esio Trot by Roald Dahl. Joseph Hetherington created a fantastic character description of Mr Hoppy.

Mr Hoppy is an old shy man.

He has a purple silky tie and a cosy brown waistcoat. Mr Hoppy is lonely because he lives by himself. He loves Mrs Silver but Mrs Silver loves her tortoise who is called Alfie. But they are friends.

Mr Hoppy is wearing a light brown waistcoat and is wearing green and grey tight trousers and a blue and white sleeved shirt. He has grey short hair and a grey moustache.



By Joseph 2SPA

A very big hello to Year 3 and particularly 3MHA!

It's been a fantastic start to Year 3 and we are already learning so many new things. You have all settled in so well and are working so extremely hard.

In Art, we will be finding out about the artist, painter and sculptor Picasso and his unusual way of drawing faces. It will be so much fun sketching ourselves and then cutting out our facial features to form our own unusual portrait art.

In History, we had lots of fun learning about AD and BC on a timeline. We have also learned about Stone Age people and how they cooked using a hot rock as an oven!

In Science, we have been enjoying describing the properties of different rocks, including granite, talc, chalk, flint, sandstone and slate. In a couple of weeks, we will even be making our own ROCK CAKES!

In PTE, we now know what the Bible says God created on different days in 'The Creation Story'. We have also created squirrels, crabs, turtles and birds out of sticks, leaves and grass to show how wonderful the world of nature is.

In PE, we have been learning how to perform a standing jump - Daisy, Maverick and Joseph were absolute superstars and jumped the furthest in the class.

And finally... we have also met Boris the Robot in our HeartSmart lessons!

Can you believe that we have done all this in only the first week! I know that you can't wait to find out what we will be doing next.

Covid -19 contact information

It is vitally important that nobody attends either Bede Academy site if they are displaying COVID-19 symptoms. In the event of symptoms emerging, you must contact 111 for advice, and also inform the academy, using this email address: covidreporting@bedeacademy.org.uk This then enables us to take action where there has been contact with other members of the academy.

Dinner Money

Please can you ensure that if your child is having a school dinner and they are not entitled to Free School Meals, that their dinner account is topped up using ParentPay.



School Photos

All students at Bede South will have their photo taken by Tempest Photography on Friday 2nd October. Due to the current restriction within the academy, Tempest will only be able to take individual photos this year. No siblings or pre school children will be possible.

Walk, Cycle or Scoot to School

Please try to walk, cycle or scoot to school where ever possible. If you do need to drive, please be considerate of the nearby residents when parking. No bikes or scooters can be left in the academy at the moment so these will need to be taken home with an adult but this is something we will continue to review.

More information from Northumberland County Council can be found by following this link.

<https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/News/2020/Aug/Residents-encouraged-to-think-about-sustainable-tr.aspx>



Welcome to Reception!



The children in Miss Allen's class have had a great first week at the academy. It's always nervous when reception children first start school but this year it is understandable that everyone would be more nervous than normal! Looking at the happy smiling faces in Miss Allen's class this week has proven how resilient and brave our children are. They have particularly enjoyed using the outdoor climbing frame, showing amazing balance and agility. We are all looking forward to the year ahead and the fun we are going to have together.



Confidential Data Check Sheet

Your child will bring home a Confidential Data Check sheet today. Please ensure all these details are thoroughly checked and the form is returned to the academy by Monday 14th September. The details we hold for you must be up to date in case we need to contact you in an emergency.