

A NEWS UPDATE FROM OSWALD HOUSE!



NOVEMBER 13 2020




“ I am really looking forward to the X Factor finals - it is amazing to see how many talented singers we have! ”

Dear Parents, Carers and Students

It has been a great first two weeks back at the academy following the half term holiday. Whilst we continue to adapt to the changes in daily life and restrictions, Bede remains our place of consistency and it has been wonderful to see how well our students have continued to push themselves since returning from the half term break. We have a busy schedule leading up until Christmas, with many House events and opportunities for students to get involved in.

Just before half term we celebrated a first place finish in the House Dodgeball tournament. I was lucky enough to see most of the matches and they were a fantastic advert for House participation with some great skill on show throughout. We have just completed the House Autumn Colours Photo competition and House Remembrance Poetry events and are looking forward to hearing the outcome of these events. Thank you to everyone for their entries in these events, I loved seeing the many

colours of autumn displayed in the fantastic photographs.

It has been wonderful, despite the challenging times, to see the thoughtfulness of our students whilst giving to charitable causes throughout this term. We have had fantastic collections for the Shoe Box Appeal and the Food Bank and I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has contributed. As we move towards Christmas we still have plenty opportunities for House participation, such as the Christmas Card design, Christmas Angels and Christmas Cracker and I hope Oswald House will have strong performances in all events. We have also continued with our Ozzy challenge event since returning from half term, which involves Tutor Groups getting creative with their mascots - well done to 11 Taylor who are currently in first place!

Can I thank you as always for your ongoing support.
Miss Lee

Visit us on twitter to find out what our staff, parents and students are doing!



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UPCOMING HOUSE COMPETITIONS

DATE	CHALLENGE
16 NOV	House Fitness
16 NOV	Business Studies Enterprise Week
23 NOV	House Badminton
23 NOV	PTE: Moral Dilemma model making
30 NOV	House Chess
30 NOV	ART: YR8 World masks

For more details go to the [Oswald House page](#)

Hi everyone, my name is Taryna and I am one of this years Oswald House Captains. I am currently studying BTECs in Applied Human Biology and engineering as well as an A-level in Product Design. I'm hoping to go onto study and hopefully get a degree in Mental Health Nursing at university next year. One of my favourite parts about being an Oswald House Captain is that I get to be a part of the team and help lead us towards the House Cup at the end of the year. I am looking forward to continuing to see the amazing effort and passion we are all already putting into House events so far and I am hoping to continue to see more of us at House events until we win the cup!



Hello! My name is Ellis and I am one of the House Captains for Oswald House this year. Currently, I am studying A Levels in Mathematics, Chemistry and Biology (and a 5,000 word Extended Project Qualification essay about the pathology of dementia and Alzheimer's disease), hoping to go on to read Medicine next year at University. My favourite thing about being an Oswald House Captain is that I am able to play a part in helping us achieve the House Cup this year and I am extremely encouraged by all of the hard work and effort in the participation in House events so far this year, which will put us in a brilliant position in order to achieve this!



The Successful semi-finalists are:

AIDAN HOUSE:

Chloe, 11 Harrison
Neve, 8 Davies

CUTHBERT HOUSE:

Grace, 11 Birdsall
Eddie, 10 Jolly
Evan, 10 Jolly

OSWALD HOUSE:

Erin, 10 Webster
Poppy, 11 Davies
Ilana, 10 Charlton
Francesca, 7 Stevens
Milana, 7 Sutton



Mrs Watson is providing a mobile library service during DEAR time.

Students are able to request specific titles using a 'Book Request Card' available in their tutor rooms. Books are then delivered to students.

Take a look at Mrs Watsons new online literature resources at:
www.bedeacademy.org.uk/library

HOUSE AUTUMN COLOURS COMPETITION



TOP 10'S FOR HOUSE POINTS

STUDENT	FORM CLASS
Ashton	8 Tipper
Freya	8 Ames
Lily	8 Broadway
Amelia	7 McMurchie
Deighton	7 Stevens
Elsbeth	8 Ames
Amy	10 Charlton
Cody	8 Ames



ATTENDANCE



HOUSE POINTS

4599

HOUSE COMPETITION

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We Remember



Poppy Appeal

2020

Remembrance Day is on Wednesday. Poppies are on sale with House Captains coming to Tutor Groups. All Donations will be going to an excellent cause!

We will remember them!



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HOUSE POINTS

4423

HOUSE COMPETITION

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This week, as always, Bede Academy joined the nation in the Act of Remembrance at 11 o'clock on Wednesday, the 11th day of the 11th month. This year, the collective moment of silence was made even more poignant by the fact that there can be no large-scale gatherings at war memorials, as we would usually see in towns like Blyth. It was important, therefore, that our students still had the opportunity to reflect and pay their respects to the fallen.

As well as this, throughout the week, our Bede family took time to remember and honour anyone who students may have lost in recent times, as we all face the consequences of COVID 19. Further still, we remembered the tragic loss, last October, of Ellen Raffell, a treasured student of the Academy, dear friend to many, precious daughter to Mr & Mrs Raffell and beloved sister to Abbey. We are in the process of designing an enduring way to mark the gift of Ellen's life to us all, but in the meantime, students have thought about the Word of God in Isaiah ch.41 v.10:

'Do not be afraid, for I am with you;'

and the comfort and hope this offers as a reminder that those who loved us and whom we loved, never truly leave our lives – a promise God makes too.

Should your family experience the loss of someone close at this time, please do inform the Welfare Team to help us best support your child. Specialist support can also be accessed from:

- Winston's Wish
- Childhood Bereavement UK
- Barnardos
- Action for Children

and links to these agencies may be found on the Welfare page of the Academy website.



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HOUSE POINTS

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HOUSE COMPETITION

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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.

New Autumn Menu

Week commencing 16 November

Monday

Soup of the day

Chicken Kiev

Breaded Chicken smothered in
garlic butter

Street Taco

Corn Tortilla with Chilli Steak

Veggie Street Taco

Steamed Vegetables/Potato Wedges

Monday

Tuesday

Soup of the day

Bhan Mi

Thai Pork Meatballs in a crispy French
Roll

Chicken and Leek Pie

Homemade with a short suet crust

Falafel Bhan Mi

Served in a crispy French Roll

Steamed Vegetables/Herb Dice

Potatoes

Wednesday

Soup of the day

Traditional Roast

With Yorkshire pudding

B.I.R

British Indian Restaurant Style Curry
Vegetable Curry

Steamed Vegetables/Creamed Potatoes
or Rice

Thursday

Soup of the day

Chicken Fried Rice

Cooked in soy garlic and whipped
egg omelette

The Spartan Dog

Jumbo dog served with salsa

Veggie Fried Rice

Steamed Vegetables/Potato Wedges

Friday

Soup of the day

Battered Fish Fillet

Crispy fish fillets served with lemon
and homemade tartare sauce

Southern Fried Chicken

Oven baked in a spicy crumb

Battered Halloumi

Peas /baked beans/chips

Alternative pizza pasta bar/savoury
bakes/healthy heart bar

'Be Her Lead' Virtual Workshop



This week 'Be Her Lead' participants had a virtual visit from tampon tax campaigner, Laura Coryton.

The girls were invited to a workshop in which an activist talked about how she brought the 5% tax on sanitary products to the public's and the government's attention. She talked about how she dealt with setbacks, trolling and taking the campaign global.

The workshop included tasks about finding our own voices and our own passions that we would want to campaign about. This is the first of four virtual visits that the 'Be Her Lead' girls will be involved in.

Be an Angel and get knitting for Christmas



We have been asked to knit some angels to decorate a church for Christmas.
It is a great opportunity to serve the wider Blyth community.

Who can knit the best Angel?

Patterns are provided in tutor Google Classroom

Or find an alternative online.

All Angels are welcome.

Operation Elf for Christmas

Blyth Christmas appeal
Collecting Until Friday 11th December

Operation Elf

Pyjamas, books, gloves, scarves, dolls, teddy bears, toiletries, art sets, puzzles, games, toys baby clothes, makeup sets...

We need unwrapped gifts for all ages

Drop-off Points...

Briardale House	Poets Corner	Newsam Co-Op
Plessey News	KC Beautique	Once Upon A Tier
Unit Twenty Barbershop	Unit 20	Oino's Fish and Chips
lazy Dayz	Isabella Community Centre	
Engage in the Community	The Gift Pod	

Contract House, Renwick Rd, NE24 2JX Keel Row Shopping Centre

Contact Us: meljackson@blythtowncouncil.org.uk 07517 101 452

Operation Elf is a cooperative of groups, organisations and companies in Blyth, Blyth Town Council and the Mayor Cllr Warren Taylor, Blyth CVA, Blyth Food Bank, Engage in the Community, Blyth Rotary Club and The Port of Blyth and Bede Academy is also supporting this initiative.

Its aim is to support families during the Christmas period, and beyond, who are facing particularly difficult circumstances. Together we are hoping to provide donations of food, gifts, and also for volunteers to take food parcels out in December and help pack boxes.

Blyth is famous for its generosity and this year we hope to give each family food for Christmas week, small gifts for the children, and support going forwards throughout January and February.

Collection points for food and gifts will be set up in each Year Group bubble so please donate what you can by Monday 7 December. Many thanks again.

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Operation Elf

Please help us collect...

Savoury	Sweet	Confectionary
Large tins of Ham Tinned Pork Tinned Corned Beef Gravy Granules Stuffing Mix Pickles Chutney Crackers Cheese Biscuits Crisps	Christmas Cake Mince Pies Stollen Christmas Pudding Christmas biscuits Trio mix Jelly Custard Tinned Fruit Juice/Squash	Selection boxes Boxes of chocolates Sweets
		Other items
		Box of crackers Wrapping paper

Or anything you can afford to give

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Library provision for everyone



eBooks and eAudiobooks for Everyone

Northumberland Library has a digital library that can be accessed all the time. It contains eBooks and eAudiobooks for both adults, young adults, and children. In the current climate it has proved to be popular with our library members and we would like to try and make more people aware of this free service. If people are not

members, they can join online at the [library website](#) and get access straight away without having to come into the library to collect their card.

You can view what is available on the website here - <https://fe.bolindadigital.com/northumberland>.

- Download up to 5 eBooks and 5 eAudio titles at a time.
- Titles are automatically returned at the end of the loan period, so there are no fines for late returns.
- Select 'BorrowBox Library' from the Apple App store or Google Play or via Games + Apps on Amazon Kindle Fire to download the BorrowBox app to your device.

All you need is a library card and PIN.

Not a library member?

Join online today at mylibrary.co.uk and get access straight away

How to get the most from Google Classroom

Blended Learning

Over the next academic year, students will be using Google Classroom to support with homework or with periods of learning during isolation. Please use the guidance below to support with this.

<p>Material or Assignment?</p> <p>Student's teachers will set classroom as material and homework as assignments. Teachers may ask students to upload evidence on Google Classroom or complete the tasks in their exercise book.</p> <p>Material doesn't appear in a students To do list therefore they need to click on each individual class to find these tasks.</p> <p>As a parent, you will get a daily email to inform you of the assignments and material your child has been set.</p>	<p>How to support your child...</p> <p>The following videos have been made to help support your child with online learning at home:</p> <p>Uploading Work: https://youtube.com/0Dm05uTlMY</p> <p>To do list and Instruction: https://youtube.com/HuL_HPeAK0K</p> <p>Teacher Feedback: https://youtube.com/TlQbeI5v-5g</p> <p>Logging in: https://youtube.com/HUTVMIP3cBM</p>
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How will we continue to support your child?

Teachers, as well as setting work, will also endeavour to answer students questions on Google Classroom. Students can ask questions on the class stream (everyone can see these) or by placing a private message on an assignment. The following video will help students with this: https://youtube.com/QuaTV_L80M.

Parents should direct any questions that have in regards to Google Classroom to academicteam@bedeacademy.org.uk.