



## From the Headmaster



Dear Parents,

We approach the end of the longest term of the year and have already achieved a huge amount. The Senior School has been purposeful, the students are taking great pride in their work and achievements, the staff are ambitious for those they teach to succeed, and, happily, perhaps extraordinarily, standards of self-presentation

have improved. Thank you to those many families who have expressed their liking for our new grading and support systems, that regular tracking appears to be making a very real difference to our students' aspirations and efforts. Most importantly, we seem to be improving communications between home and school.

The Prep School now looks fantastic. This is the first term in which all the new facilities have been complete. The new Nursery and Pre-Prep building, Holywell Mount, is the envy of the South Coast and its waiting list now requires parents to register their children before they are born! The mini-bus parking space, aside from being aesthetically delightful, has improved safety for the children as they are dropped off and picked up. Mr Bevington and his team are working tirelessly to make the School the best it can be and the sense of challenge and enjoyment around the site is palpable.

## Changes Ahead



For those at the Senior School, Mr Newton is a well-known and much admired figure. He joined St Bede's in 1980 and, in his time, has been a Boarding Housemaster, Senior Housemaster and, since 2005, Second Master. At the end of this academic year, Mr Newton is to embark on yet another new role, this time as Director of Alumni Relations.

Independent schools are increasingly recognising how important it is to retain links with their former students and to sustain a sense of community that transcends generations. St Bede's has not yet developed an alumni network and now seems the perfect time for us to do so. Given that Mr Newton knows every single student who has ever passed through the Senior School, there can be no-one better placed to successfully take on this role.

Naturally, I would like to take this opportunity to publicly recognise and thank Mr Newton for his extraordinary contribution to the Trust as Second Master.

This term has seen us recruiting Mr Newton's successor as Principal Deputy Head. We were blessed with an exceptionally strong field – the St Bede's brand is evidently very strong within HMC – and are especially pleased to have recruited a top quality replacement for Mr Newton from a first-class institution.

Therefore, I am delighted to announce that Mr Jeremy Lewis, currently the Senior Housemaster at Rugby School, will join St Bede's Senior School as Principal Deputy Head in September 2011.



Mr Lewis was educated at Charterhouse School and read Economics at Liverpool University before completing his PGCE at Warwick University. He has worked at Rugby since 1996, initially teaching Economics and Business Studies, then as Housemaster and, latterly, as the Senior Housemaster and a member of Rugby's Senior Management Team.

Mr Lewis is married with three young sons and I am sure that he and his family will be very happy at St Bede's. Moreover, I know that Mr Lewis will add a huge amount to our school community as we aspire to become the school of choice in the South of England.

# SENIOR SCHOOL



## St Bede's do EYR



The Senior School's show for Eastbourne Youth Radio was hosted by students Charlie Pullan and Lulu Gould. This was first time either of them had been involved in radio and both came across as professional and well organised. Not only did they devote an evening to the show but a great deal of their free time beforehand, pre-recording interviews.

The Senior School hour included interviews with world record Deep Sea Free Diving holder and St Bede's School teacher, Dave King and featured a debate amongst students about the rising cost of University education and whether the increase in the cost of higher education is just. It also included an interview called 'Animal Magic' which involved Charlie and Lulu interviewing Animal Management course leader Mr Juniper.

The final interview was centred on how much of an average teenager's social life young athletes, who are serious about their sport, have to give up to follow their training programme.

Separating these interesting interviews was some outstanding music produced by the St Bede's music department. These songs included Nikkita Leys singing Tracy Chapmans *Talking About a Revolution* and Hennie Kaye putting a spin on *Use Somebody* by Kings of Leon. Georgia Ellis did *Stormy Weather* and Sally-Ann Wild performed *Cry Me Out*. The show finished after a weather report with songs from Lyddia Bannister and Larah Charlesworth.

The Senior School thoroughly enjoyed taking part in EYR under the direction of Head of English Paul Gibbs.

*Pictured: St Bede's presenters Lulu Gould and Charlie Pullan*

## Cabaret .....it just gets be

The nervous excitement (as with all major musical events at St Bede's) was palpable in the week preceding this year's Cabaret Concert. Parents, friends and staff across the St Bede's School were invited to *Dinner and Cabaret* by Mr Andrew Barclay and his musicians.

As people took their seats the indomitable School Choir announced with considerable flair: *Ladies and Gentlemen, we proudly present: Cabaret!* The words provided a fitting accompaniment to the evening's entertainment: *What good is sitting alone in your room? Come to the cabaret old chum; life is a cabaret!* This had everyone toe-tapping and in the mood for a lot more to come. *Fields of Gold* by Sting was a reminder of those Elysian Fields and halcyon days in high summer which the choir sang with great conviction. Hannah Savignon-Smythe gave a heart-rending performance of Andrew Lloyd-Webber's *Love Never Dies*. As her voice soared, a haunting cello solo, played by Joseph Giddey, had us all on the edge of our seats. This was succeeded by the talented Barbershop Singers, led by Christopher

Dixon. Their hearty rendition of Rodgers's *Blue Moon* was brilliantly executed and stylishly sung in the traditional barbershop style.

The orchestra gave us a trio of classical works; the *Academic Festival Overture* by Brahms, a rousing Romantic work full of passion and then Symphony No 41 by Mozart conducted by the orchestra's chief guest conductor, Robert Scamardella. *The Liberty Bell* by Sousa saw Andrew Barclay return to the podium whilst *Viva Italia!* saw the top string players serenading the diners around the tables in time to other live string players on stage.

We then heard what was to be the first in a line of stunning arrangements by St Bede's own Roy Hilton, the ex-MD for the *Morecombe & Wise Show*. It is also worth remembering that the Beatles, in the early 1960s, were his warm up act at the Cavern Club in Liverpool! His arrangement of *Stormy Weather* by Arlen was simply stunning and Georgia Ellis stole the show with her soulful and mature interpretation of this tremendous ballad. Sally-Ann Wild gave a neatly poised performance of Porter's *Easy to Love*, and



# An Enchanted Evening

It was always an ambitious project to hire Eastbourne's 1700-seat Congress Theatre for a school performance, but on Monday 6th December, St Bede's Legat School of Dance gave us over two hours of such outstanding music theatre and dance that the project did not seem audacious in the slightest.

The cast included pupils from the Prep School as young as six and the show – *An Enchanted Evening* – was all the more enjoyable in that it brought the whole St Bede's Trust together.

The evening began with a beautiful contemporary piece based on the picture of Ophelia by the 19th Century Pre-Raphaelite painter, John Everett Millais. Then it was time for some fantastic magic as Captain Beaky took to the stage with his band – Timid Toad, Reckless Rat, Artful Owl and Batty Bat.

From Captain Beaky we moved on to Musical Theatre with a selection of favourite songs from the musicals: *Supercalifragilistic, Truly Scrumptious,*

*Castle on a Cloud, I Could Have Danced All Night, Adolfo* and *Step in Time*.

The climax of the evening however, was Act II of *Giselle*, performed by the Legat dancers. The audience were transported to a misty, moonlit forest for one of ballet's most romantic favourites. The scene opened with Hilarion (Oliver Cooper), a gamekeeper and Albrecht (Alex Drew), a German count, lost in the forest. Ghostly figures that appear to

them are led by their Queen (Lydia Bannister) and are spirits of dance loving maidens who have died before their wedding day.

They force Hilarion and Albrecht to dance and keep dancing until Hilarion, in desperation to escape, drowns in the lake. Giselle's (Tamara Ledermann) spirit dances with Albrecht and in so doing keeps him alive until dawn breaks and the spirits evaporate.

It was a truly magical performance.

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Lydia Bannister and Henny Kaye brought brilliant renditions of *I'm Kissing You* by Des'ree and *Rio de Janeiro Blues* by Torrance, to life.

The Chamber Choir, led by Louise Morris, gave a stunning soulful rendition of Siffre's *Something inside so Strong*, with Tracey Aryee-Quao as soloist. Then the famous St Bede's Jazz Choir sang a wonderful close-harmony version of *When Sunny gets Blue*, the all-girl choir swayed gently in time to the music.

To finish the evening in sheer style, the BTEC played Hancock's *Chameleon* and Morrison's *Moondance*, the former arranged by Peter Butler-Way, and featuring soprano soloist Larah Charlesworth. Then it was the turn of St Bede's Big Band which played a mini-concert of items ranging from Timmons's *Moanin'* and Gillespie's *Manteca*. Cole Porter's *I Get a Kick out of You* was superbly realised by our very own Charlie Pullan who brought a sense of the real English 'cad' to the vocals!



## World Expo

The Senior School recently hosted a World Expo Day - a day of modern languages and culture.

Pupils from various prep schools learnt words and phrases in French, Spanish, German, Italian, Russian and Mandarin as well as experiencing a little bit of each country's culture, as each 'language' put on an activity. For example the children that chose Spanish learnt the names of parts of the body and also took part in an introduction to Salsa with the movements called out in Spanish.

The Italian group was learning adjectives and the history of Carnevale and then the pupils made Venetian masks to take home.

Pupils were introduced to simple phrases in Mandarin, such as how to say hello and introduce themselves and enjoyed taking part in the Chinese paper cutting activity.

Those choosing Russian learnt the alphabet, numbers and greetings. They also left knowing how to write their names in the Cyrillic alphabet.

In the German section of World Expo Day the children learnt descriptions relating to sport such as how to say: 'I am a fast runner,' which led onto the activity 'Beat the goalie', which saw the pupils take penalties at a Sixth Form student in a German goalie shirt.



In the French group pupils were introduced to expressions such as 'fast and slow' which they then put into action on the spin bikes in a pretend Tour De France style race.

Each pupil was given a passport when they arrived at St Bede's Sports Hall, which had been transformed into a multi-cultural hall with flags and cultural items everywhere you looked. The passport was stamped by the member of staff in each language group after lessons and activities, giving the pupils the sense they had visited the country.

All activities and lessons were taken by St Bede's Senior School language staff assisted by language students or native speaking international students.

# PREP SCHOOL

## A Harvest Festival full of poems, singing and dancing



Cans of food, pumpkins and vegetables were in abundance at the Prep School recently as pupils celebrated Harvest Festival. The School's sports hall was put to good use as the pupils' parents, friends and relatives were treated to an entertaining and informative Harvest Festival assembly filled with poems, singing and dancing led by the Pre-Prep and Nursery children.

Donations of produce from pupils were given to The Salvation Army and a representative from The Salvation Army, Pauline Peagam, was kind enough to attend and say a few words. At the end of the assembly the audience were treated to a fantastic performance from the Year 8 rock band.

## Classics Week

Classics Week kicked off with a bang when Years 6 and 7 filed into the Theatre to take part in a day-long workshop given by Legion Geminae about the lives of the Romans. Elaine Fraser-Gausden, Head of Classics, was pleased to see that a good number of the pupils were dressed in Roman attire and almost everyone in the audience took part in the many activities, ranging from Roman games to army warfare, the lives of Roman Gods and Goddesses, make-up, music and entertainment.



The Junior and Senior Classics parades saw a great many pupils dressed in some really interesting and imaginative clothes, based on ancient times – not just Romans, but also Ancient Egyptians, Saxons and figures from Greek Mythology.

All week, many lessons had a classical theme, including English lessons on the art of myth-writing and Maths lessons on Roman numerals (plus a session of Fizzicus Buzzicus!), and a lot of the pupils took part in the Classics Week writing and art competitions. It all went to show that Classics is very much alive and thriving at St Bede's.

## Abseiling, zip wire and more



For thirty-two pupils and teachers Mr Sutherland, Mr Meier and Mrs Sutherland half-term was somewhat of an adventure as they took to the road and headed for Marchants Hill in sunny Surrey, where their base was going to be for their annual PGL trip.

The group settled into their accommodation before sitting around a camp fire for marshmallow toasting, and some real story telling.

After a good night's sleep, the pupils headed to their first activity which saw some adrenaline rushes and scary faces. This was the theme for the rest of the week as activities included: giant swing, leap of faith, abseiling, power fan, blind trail, aero ball, zip wire and many more. The teachers witnessed some very daring and brave children throughout the week and praise to them all for completing every challenge that they were set.

The aim of the trip was to give the pupils an opportunity to try out new activities and for everyone to respect and value each other's abilities and their own.

Fortunately the weather was very kind and pupils and teachers managed to do most of their activities, without getting too wet or cold!

## Sealife Centre



## Out and about with the Pre-Prep

Year 1 pupils from the Pre-Prep have been learning about what a scientist is, as part of their science topic. The children were able to visit Mr Childers in his Science lab next door in the Prep School, where he explained all the jobs of a scientist and then showed the children around the lab. The children were also lucky enough to hold the three snakes that Mr Childers keeps in his lab.

Year 1 children have also been out and about on an informative trip to Arlington Reservoir. The children were able to walk around the Reservoir looking for signs of Autumn as well as collect treasures that had fallen from the trees.

Following a successful book week at the Prep School the Pre-Prep children also dressed as their favourite character from their favourite book as part of the annual 'book day'. There were some fantastic costumes but at the end of the day the prize for the best costume went to the 'Mad Scientist'.



# Fireworks Night

Remember, Remember the 5th of November! As always this year's firework party at the Prep School was one to be remembered!

The attractions were in abundance and included 'Casino Royale', 'Charlie's Chocolate Challenge', 'Rise above the rest', a fantastic face painting stand and for those of us whose main attraction of bonfire night is the food, there was certainly no disappointment there. Fat Sam's burgers, Humphrey Bogart's hot dogs and the Chicago chilli along with the Guy Fawkes' Cocktail were all on the menu!

The Newbery cricket Batting and Bowling Challenge was definitely popular, with the chance to win two full-size Newbery bats autographed by local cricketing heroes! On hand to give some tips were former England test Cricketer James Keirtley and Sussex Cricketer Ollie Rayner.

The Prep School dining hall and courtyard was buzzing with excitement and laughter as the huge Hollywood theme firework display went off with a bang.

Mesmerised by the colours, silence swept through the air and was shortly followed by a huge cheer and gasp of excitement as each firework exploded. As the display came to an end it was without a doubt that everyone had enjoyed a fantastic night.



Many thanks to everyone who attended and to all who helped make the Firework Party such a good night. A special thanks must also go to Peter Meier for all the hard work and effort he puts in to organising this fantastic event.

# Newhaven Fort visit



Armed with clip boards and pens Year 5 pupils went to Newhaven Fort to learn more about what life was like on the Home Front during World War 2. This is related to the study of their topic '20th Century History' in Integrated Studies. During their visit the children had a go at using an air raid siren and a gas attack warning rattle, as well as handling a German incendiary bomb (not live!).

They also sat through a frighteningly authentic re-enactment of a WW2 bombing raid, whilst in a replica shelter. The Museum brought to life many of the areas they have been covering recently, including the pace of technological change in the 1930's and 40's and the effect of the war upon ordinary lives, especially children. After looking around the Museum, the pupils had a look at the gun emplacements from the Napoleonic War, re-used during the Second World War.

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Year 4 pupils spent an immensely enjoyable and informative day at the Sealife Centre in Brighton recently. An important element of their Integrated Studies topic this half-term has been to learn about pollution and its devastating effects on our seas and oceans. Being able to see up close such a huge variety of sea life, ranging from the beautiful to the bizarre, as well as being able to touch and feed some of them, was a very worthwhile experience. For all the pupils and the teachers it raised their awareness of the importance of keeping our seas clean, and the role we all have to play in this.

# Eastbourne Youth Radio

For the first time, the Prep School took part in Eastbourne Youth Radio. Known locally as EYR it is a scheme that allows pupils and students of all ages to learn and take part in a radio production, from scripting, editing and presenting to post production.



Both St Bede's Senior and Prep School had an hour slot. Representing the Prep School with their undoubtedly fantastic presenting talents were the head boy and girl, Fred Dimpleby and Brooke Mason. After a very early start the presenters and musicians were ready and Fred and Brooke took to the mics at 7am introducing (complete with a home composed jingle) what the rest of the show had to offer.

The morning started off with some up-to-the minute news reports with Sam, Will, Ivan, Jack and Andrew. This was shortly followed by a fantastic feature 'From Pop to the Pulpit' with ex Communades band member Richard Cole, who joined Fred and Brooke live from London via telephone link. Richard has turned from pop star to priest and this interview gained lots of laughs as well as covering some serious points.

The show also included a comedy slot which was pre-recorded and which was highly amusing as well as featuring a slot with Andrew and Jack who covered movie reviews, new fashions, horoscopes, confessions, dilemmas and school situations.

Another highlight from the show was the live performances and interview with St Bede's Prep School band *Flying Blind* who managed to tear the roof off with two outstanding songs.

After such an outstanding show it didn't seem possible that anything could top it but the St Bede's Prep School EYR team pulled it out of the bag and in a grand finale Brooke and Fred were able to offer their listeners a world exclusive with the first ever play of the new Jools Holland track.

Special thanks should go to all involved in the radio programme as well as Mr Bevington for overseeing everything from beginning to end. As well as all the kitchen staff for serving such a fantastic breakfast in the dining room so that all the staff and pupils were able to listen to the show.



# ST BEDE'S SPORT

## St Bede's Senior School Girls win National Sixes Football at U18 and U15 level



St Bede's girls triumphed at the National Independent Schools Football Sixes at Bradfield College in October. The Senior School entered two age groups with the hope of possibly trying to retain the U15 crown from their efforts last year at Stamford High School.

The U15s began the day with a slightly shaky start, but with inspirational words from Captain Georgia Tibble the team pulled together to see Mia Bungaroo and Kayleigh Bonwick confidently find the back of their opposition net. The whole of the U15s showed their skill and dexterity with the ball and mention must be made of the defensive drive and determination of Lex Young and Martha Reynolds, coupled with the safe hands of Eve Ramesar in goal. Reaching the final was a testament to the stylish free-flowing movement of the girls coupled with their skills and sense of fun and enjoyment to be playing football for their school.

The U18s were trying to build on their success last year when they narrowly lost in the semi-final to a controversial ball out of play decision. Olivia Bohac continued to control the pace of the game with her wise passes and conniving shots at goal, whilst Elena South's darting runs and scintillating strikes at goal forever kept the opposition on their toes. Equally, our two wide players, Layla Salami-Johnson

and India Brown meant there was always space in which to capitalise. Furthermore Sophie Rudge in goal allowed the girls to emulate the attacking formations only usually observed in the highly skilled formation of Futsal. Carla Rudd held the position at the back of the defensive diamond but was only too ready to push up as the power player and have a hard-hitting shot. This proved to be the deciding factor in the final against Stamford High School, a match went into extra time as a result of the excellent game played by both sides. Carla, in the dying seconds of time ran through with the ball and blasted her shot to the right of the Stamford goalkeeper who fumbled the ball into the back of her own net. At last the Senior Girls Sixes Team had equalled the U15s success and raised their cup with equal satisfaction.

**U15 ISFA Sixes Winning Team:** G Tibble; M Reynolds; E Ramesar; M Bungaroo; A Young; K Bonwick

**U18 ISFA Sixes Winning Team:** O Bohac; C Rudd; S Rudge; I Brown; L Salami-Johnson; E South

## Adam Lam wins again



In November, the Prep School's Adam Lam, aged 11, attended England's Under 13 Gold Badminton tournament in Leigh. Adam competed in all three disciplines Mixed Doubles, Boys' Doubles and Singles.

Up first was the mixed doubles and Adam was partnered by Kirby Ngan from Avon. They breezed through their box and into the semi-finals. In the semi-final they dropped a set but came back to win and reach the final winning the final set 21-11. The final saw Adam and his partner play the top Scottish seeds and win 21-9, 22-20 to claim Gold.

In the Boys' Doubles, Adam was partnered by Johnie Torjussen and got through to the semi-final with ease, beating the number one seeds on the way. They won their semi-final match and went onto the final against Edward Thorpe and Ragnar Malarczyk, which they won 20-22, 21-16, 21-17 to take home another Gold medal.

In the singles Adam was playing a level above the rest of the competitors, completely outplaying his opponents and eventually gained a place in the semi-final. Adam showed great maturity and skill winning the match 21-17, 21-17 but competing in three competitions was beginning to take its toll and Adam's legs began to tire. He lost his third final of the day to number one seed David Jones and had to settle for second place and a silver medal.

## More trophies for Saffron

The Prep School's Saffron Dowse picked up two major titles at the annual Sussex Lawn Tennis Awards luncheon in November, at the Wickwoods Country Club in Brighton.

Eight-year-old Saffron won the first award of the day taking the U9 Girls Packaging Advantage Masters Event which encompassed all the sanctioned tennis tournaments that Saffron played throughout the year. Points were calculated on wins from each tournament and players were entered onto a leader board as the season progressed. Saffron won enough points to become the outright winner for Sussex 2010.

The second award which Saffron won was the U9 Girls Masters Trophy for finishing top of the table over the summer. Saffron is in Year 4 at St Bede's and is still eligible to play in the U8 age group, which makes her achievements even more exceptional.



## St Bede's Ladies' Cricket Success



Four students have been selected for the Sussex U15 Ladies' Cricket Squad. They are Alicia Caillard and Abigail Quinn from the Lower Fifth and Kayah Worrall and Abigale Byrne from the First Year. In the U17 age group two of our girls have been selected, Carla Rudd and Chiara Green.

At the recent Sussex Ladies' Cricket Presentation evening Alicia Caillard won Junior Player of the Year.



## Jay Amin to Trinidad

Jay Amin went to Trinidad over the half-term break as part of the Independent Schools Football Association coaching team. Jay and fellow Sixth Former Duncan Brown had earlier attended an ISFA Young Leaders' Camp. Their leadership skills impressed and they were asked to attend a national camp held in Wolverhampton where two young

coaches were invited from each county – a hundred in all.

Four of the hundred were invited to go to Trinidad and Jay was lucky enough to be in that select few and run a number of coaching sessions.

Jay and Duncan also received coaching scholarships which will help pay for their coaching qualifications –

they hope to gain levels one and two coaching badges.

Jay is not only a talented coach but is also part of the Schools 1st XI football squad. He also runs 100 metres in sub 11 seconds, with a personal best of 10.8. As an athlete he competed at the UK school games and reached the final, only having run a few races in his life.

## Charlie races at Cheltenham Racecourse

Charlie Marshall, a First Year student at the Senior School, took part in the National Pony Racing Series which culminated in the final at Cheltenham Racecourse. During the year, racecourses all over the country have staged pony races with the jockeys being awarded points for a win or a place (1st to 4th). Over 600 ponies and riders took part nationwide but only the top 15 point scorers were eligible to race in the finals at Cheltenham.

The pony races are run exactly as a flat race for horses. Each pony must carry a minimum of 8 stone (to include saddle, girths and jockey) and the race distances vary from 6 furlongs to a mile and a half, with the ponies reaching up to 30 miles an hour in speed. Charlie raced at Towcester, Stratford, Bath, Sandown, York and Cheltenham racecourses. He was placed nearly every time out and accumulated enough points to make the Cheltenham final. In the final Charlie was sixth - a tremendous result.

His pony is a mare called Goldsborough Moonlight Mist and at 15 she is the oldest pony to campaign the series. She is also the smallest, and at Cheltenham, Charlie was the youngest jockey to go down to the start. The pony belongs to Mrs Viv Good who has sponsored Charlie's racing efforts this year. Charlie is eligible to pony race until he is 16 and it is his long term ambition to ride over fences after that. Many of today's top jockeys came out of the National Pony Racing Series and he would dearly love to follow in their footsteps.



The Shetland Grand National is an entirely different series. Although highly competitive it exists primarily

to raise funds for Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital. Over the summer 100 Shetlands have competed in a knockout series at various shows across the country. Each race is held in an arena and 10 jockeys race around 2-3 circuits of the arena, jumping over mini hurdle fences as they go. The top ten jockeys are then invited to attend the Olympia Horse Show in London. Charlie and his pony, Ulverscroft Dandi will stay at the Olympia site and will race in each afternoon and evening performance. The pony belongs to Epsom flat race trainer, Philip Mitchell who has supported Charlie throughout the series. Charlie is hoping to raise as much money as possible for Great Ormond Street Hospital.



## St Bede's closes in on glory

The Senior School's 1st XI Football Team are one victory away from claiming a place in the Elgin Capital Southern Independent School League Final. St Bede's currently have a 100% record in the league so far, having played five and won five, including a great comeback against Ardingly College in early November, coming back from 2-0 down to win 3-2.

St Bede's final league game was due to be played on 27th November away at King Edward's School Witley, but sadly the game was postponed due to a frozen pitch. Should St Bede's claim a draw or better in the reorganised fixture it will see them crowned as Southern Division winners and with a place in the final against the winners of the North Division, and unbeaten throughout the whole tournament.

The Senior School is trying to duplicate the success they had in 2006/07 season when they won the Southern Division and went on to the final to play the winners of the Northern Division Westminster which they won 3-1.

### STOP PRESS

St Bede's are through to the Elgin final on 24th January where they will meet either Brentwood or Eton.

The team have a County Cup quarter final against Lancing at home after Christmas and have also reached the last 32 in the English Schools Football Association Cup.

# PERFORMANCES & EVENTS

## Senior School    Prep School

**Monday 17th January**

Scholars' Showcase –  
'Shakebourne'

Venue: Miles Studio

Time: 7.15pm

**Friday 21st January**

St Bede's Parent and Student  
Speech Society  
Mr David Dimbleby CBE –  
'The Seven Ages of Britain'

Venue: Library

Time: 7.30pm

**Saturday 22nd January**

'Life in the Sixth Form' – for UVth  
students and their parents

Venue: Library

Time: 12noon

**Friday 28th January**

BTEC Student Gig

Venue: Library

Time: 7.15pm

**Saturday 29th January**

Friends of St Bede's Association  
Casino and Curry Night

Venue: Library

Time: 7.00pm

**Thursday 3rd February**

Parents Consultation and GCSE  
Options Presentation  
for parents of Year 9 students

Venue: Main Hall

Time: 6.15pm

**Monday 7th February**

Choral Concert

Venue: Holy Trinity, Upper Dicker

Time: 6.30pm

**Thursday 3rd February**

Drama Masterclass,  
Monologues Evening

Venue: Theatre

Time: 6.00pm

**Thursday 10th February,**

**Friday 11th February**

Year 4 Play –  
'Little Red Riding Hood'

Venue: Theatre

Time: 11.30am (10th February)

2.30pm (11th February)

**Thursday 10th March,**

**Friday 11th March**

Year 5 Play -

'Edith's Wartime Scrapbook'

Venue: Theatre

Time: 11.30am (10th March)

2.30pm (11th March)

**Saturday, 26th March**

St Bede's Spring Ball

Venue: Cavendish Hotel, Eastbourne

Time: 7.00pm

**Wednesday, 30th March,**

**Thursday 31st March**

Year 6 Play –

'The Adventures of Tom Sawyer'

Venue: Theatre

Time: 11.30am (30th March)

2.30pm (31st March)



## And then we had snow ...

The snow hit Upper Dicker on the night of December 1st, a lot later than some areas where day students live, and a lot later than at the Prep School, and made the roads surrounding the Senior School treacherous for several days.

On December 2nd, with only boarders at both schools it was decided that, as their day student contemporaries were probably all having fun in the snow, they should be able to as well and a whole raft of activities was organised – inside and out.

The following day, with Sussex Police still warning that people should not try and attempt journeys, lessons took place for boarders at the Senior School in the morning and an activity programme was organised for the afternoon.

Heroine of the snow award goes to breakfast chef Becky, who walked into school from Hailsham on the morning of December 2nd to ensure that all our boarders had a cooked breakfast.



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