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# ST BEDE'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

*All the news from the last term*



*We wish all of you a blessed and peaceful Easter*

THIS TERM IS QUICKLY COMING TO A CLOSE, IT HAS BEEN ANOTHER FAST PAGED TERM WITH MANY THINGS HAPPENING. THIS NEWSLETTER IS FULL OF A RANGE OF SUCCESS FROM ACROSS THE SCHOOL. I HAVE SAID BEFORE HOW PROUD I AM TO BE THE HEADTEACHER OF THIS INCREDIBLE COMMUNITY AND WHEN WE PUT TOGETHER THIS NEWSLETTER IT REMINDS ME OF HOW INCREDIBLE OUR PUPILS, STAFF AND PARENTS ARE. OUR CHILDREN ARE EXPOSED TO SO MANY EXPERIENCES THAT WILL UNDOUBTEDLY IMPACT THEIR DEVELOPMENT AS INDIVIDUALS AND PROVIDE THEM WITH LIFELONG MEMORIES OF THEIR TIME IN SCHOOL. I HOPE YOU ENJOY HAVING A LOOK AT ALL THAT OUR PUPILS HAVE EXPERIENCED THIS TERM.

THIS WEEK OUR PREPARATION FOR EASTER HAS REACHED ITS PEAK WITH A THOUGHT-PROVOKING SET OF EASTER ASSEMBLIES DELIVERED BY MR HOLT, PUPILS HAVE HAD THEIR CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES AND WE HAVE STARTED THURSDAY MORNING WITH PUPILS WATCHING OUR STAFF TAKE PART IN "STARS IN THEIR EYES ONLY, 2025". PUPILS HAVE BEEN RAISING MONEY FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL AND AS PART OF THIS EACH FORM HAS RAISED ENOUGH MONEY TO WATCH STAFF COMPETE AGAINST EACH OTHER IN WHAT CAN ONLY BE DESCRIBED AS A UNIQUE VERSION OF A LIP-SYNC BATTLE. THIS YEAR OUR PUPILS HAVE GONE ABOVE AND BEYOND WITH THEIR FUNDRAISING EFFORTS AND IT LOOKS LIKE WE ARE SET TO BEAT LAST YEARS TOTAL, WITH PROCEEDS GOING TO NUGENT CARE. THANK YOU TO EVERYONE INVOLVED.

EASTER IS SUCH A SPECIAL TIME OF THE YEAR. IT OFFERS US A CHANCE TO REFLECT UPON OUR SPIRITUAL JOURNEY AND ALLOWS US TO REALISE THAT WE ARE NOT ALONE AS WE FACE THE CHALLENGES OF LIFE. THE LORD IS THERE FOR US AND HE ASKS US TO FIND PEACE IN KNOWING THAT. AS WE FINISH FOR THE BREAK, THERE IS A SENSE OF SPRING IN THE AIR AND WITH THAT COMES HOPE AND COMFORT. MAY YOU ALL EMBRACE THESE FEELINGS OVER THE HOLIDAY AND ENJOY THE TIME TOGETHER.

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## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PUPILS WHO COMPLETED THEIR EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING THIS TERM. THEIR DECISION TO UNDERTAKE THIS MINISTRY IS A GENUINE INDICATION OF THEIR COMMITMENT TO THEIR FAITH AND THEIR DESIRE TO SERVE OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOL COMMUNITY. THEY ARE EXCEPTIONAL ROLE MODELS OF FAITH.



## SALTMINE: FILTERS THEATRE PERFORMANCE YEAR 7-10



A HUGE THANK YOU TO DAVE MUTCH AND THE STREET PASTORS WHOSE GENEROSITY ENABLED US TO HOST A PERFORMANCE OF FILTERS BY THE WONDERFUL SALTMINE THEATRE COMPANY.

YEAR 7-10 WATCHED A HIGHLY ENGAGING AND THOUGHT PROVOKING PERFORMANCE FOLLOWED BY A 50 MINUTE WORKSHOP. THE PRODUCTION ADDRESSED THE SUBJECT OF SOCIAL MEDIA, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, CYBER BULLYING AND HATE CRIMES. THE FEEDBACK FROM PUPILS AND STAFF WAS HIGHLY POSITIVE AND CLEARLY THE PRODUCTION PROVOKED MUCH THOUGHT ABOUT SIGNIFICANT ISSUES WHICH IMPACT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE TODAY.

# Bede Fest



BEDE FEST IS A FABULOUS ST BEDE'S TRADITION AND IS OUR GREATEST SOURCE OF FUNDRAISING DURING LENT. THE STAFF BAND, FEATURING MR KEOWN, MR CAYGILL, MR GIBSON, MRS WILLIAMS, MR MOORE AND EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCES BY PUPIL BANDS ROCKED THE HALL, CREATING SUCH A BRILLIANT ATMOSPHERE THAT IT WAS SIMPLY IMPOSSIBLE NOT TO DANCE AND EMBRACE THE SHEER JOY OF IT ALL.

A HUGE THANKS TO EVERY MEMBER OF STAFF WHO HELPED TO ORGANISE THE DAY AND TO THE PUPILS WHO ORGANISED AND RAN THE STALLS, ALL CONTRIBUTING TO THE FUNDRAISING EVENT. THANKS ALSO TO ALL THE PUPILS, PARENTS AND CARERS WHO DONATED TO BEDE FEST THIS YEAR, ALL MONEY RAISED GOES TO THE GOOD SHEPHERD LENTEN APPEAL SUPPORTING THE WONDERFUL WORK OF NUGENT CARE.

AS SOON AS WE HAVE A FINAL FUNDRAISING FIGURE WE WILL LET YOU KNOW. COULD WE POSSIBLY BEAT LAST YEAR'S AMAZING TOTAL OF £3400.....?

## ST BEDE'S 'STARS...IN THEIR EYES ONLY'

LENTEN GOOD SHEPHERD FUNDRAISER

### ST BEDE'S 'STARS...IN THEIR EYES ONLY' LENTEN GOOD SHEPHERD FUNDRAISER

AFTER THE SUCCESS OF LAST YEAR'S 'NOT 'STRICTLY' DANCING' WE DIDN'T THINK WE WOULD BE ABLE TO REPLICATE THE HEADY EXCITEMENT AND SHEER GLAMOUR OF ANOTHER ICONIC COMPETITION. YET THE TALENTED STAFF OF ST BEDE'S HAVE DONE IT AGAIN AND RISEN TO THE OCCASION. DRESSING IN WIGS AND MAKE UP ST BEDE'S STAFF DITCHED THEIR DAY WEAR, UTTERED THE WORDS "....TONIGHT, MATTHEW, I'M GOING TO BE...." BEFORE EMERGING FROM BEHIND THE SMOKY CURTAIN, TRANSFORMED INTO THEIR POP ICONS. AT TIMES, IT WAS ALMOST LIKE LOOKING INTO THE VERY EYES OF OZZY OSBOURNE, ELTON JOHN AND THE SPICE GIRLS.....ALMOST.

ALL FORM CLASSES WORKED INCREDIBLY HARD TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL AND IN DOING SO, WERE ABLE TO VIEW AND VOTE

FOR THEIR FAVOURITE ACT. WE ARE SO PROUD OF THEIR EFFORTS. CAKE SALES, SPLASH THE TEACHER, FOOTBALL COMPETITIONS, SHOE POLISHING AND OTHER BRILLIANT FUNDRAISERS ENSURED THAT EACH CLASS HAVE SIGNIFICANTLY CONTRIBUTED TO NUGENT CARE CHARITY.

LUCY O DESERVES A SPECIAL MENTION. ACCOMPANIED BY RACHEL E, LEILA A AND LOLA B, AN AMAZING £300 WAS RAISED BY THESE PUPILS. LUCY AND HER FRIENDS REALLY ARE WONDERFUL ROLE MODELS OF FAITH AND SERVICE.

SINCERE THANKS TO 'ALL' STAFF, PUPILS AND PARENTS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED AND DONATED. WE WILL SHARE THE TOTAL RAISED FOR NUGENT CARE AND THE IDENTITY OF THE WINNING ACT ON OUR RETURN..... SO WATCH THIS SPACE!!!



OUR WONDERFUL FAITH IN ACTION PUPILS CONTINUE TO FORGE NEW FRIENDSHIPS WITH THE RESIDENTS OF SPRINGFIELD RESIDENTIAL HOME. DURING VISITS, THROUGH MUSIC AND SHARED MASSES, PUPILS AND RESIDENTS FIND MUCH IN COMMON, DISCOVERING SHARED FRIENDS AND FAMILY CONNECTIONS. WE CONTINUE TO VISIT HALF TERMLY AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING OUR FRIENDS AT SPRINGFIELD



## FAITH IN ACTION PUPILS VISIT SPRINGFIELD RESIDENTIAL HOME



## Weekly Tea and Testimony



IN FEBRUARY WE LAUNCHED OUR TEA AND TESTIMONY AFTERNOONS WHICH HAVE PROVED TO BE ENLIGHTENING AND JOYFUL. EVERY WEEK, OVER A HOT DRINK AND BISCUIT, PUPILS AND STAFF SHARE THEIR FAITH TESTIMONY AND CHAT ABOUT THEIR OWN 'GOD MOMENTS', TIMES WHEN THEY HAVE EXPERIENCED GOD'S PRESENCE AND WORK IN THEIR OWN LIVES. PEOPLE CAN SHARE THEIR OWN STORY, SIMPLY LISTEN TO OTHERS, OR ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT FAITH IN A WELCOMING AND SUPPORTIVE ATMOSPHERE. ALL PUPILS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN, SIMPLY BRING A MUG!

3.15PM-4.15PM WEEK ONE- WEDNESDAY  
WEEK TWO-THURSDAY



# ST BEDE'S PUPILS SUPPORT CANCEL THE DEBT CAMPAIGN



AN ESSENTIAL PART OF OUR PUPILS' PARTICIPATION IN THE JUBILEE YEAR AND THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF HOW CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING CAN BE TRANSFORMATIVE IS ADVOCACY. THIS TERM OUR YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ADVOCATING FOR AN END TO UNJUST DEBTS. ST BEDE'S PUPILS STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO SUFFER THE BURDEN OF UNJUST DEBTS. THROUGH ASSEMBLIES, SPEECHES AT MASS AND SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS, PUPILS ARE CALLING FOR US TO JOIN CAFOD'S CAMPAIGN CALLING WORLD LEADERS TO CANCEL UNJUST DEBT, SUPPORT A DEBT JUSTICE LAW AND CREATE A NEW DEBT FRAMEWORK WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS. PLEASE SUPPORT THEM BY VISITING THE CAFOD WEBSITE AND SIGNING THE GLOBAL CHURCH PETITION.

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## Easter Prayer and Liturgy



THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO PLANNED AND PARTICIPATED IN OUR ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE. THE SERVICE, LED BY PUPILS AND STAFF, WAS A BEAUTIFULLY REFLECTIVE BEGINNING TO OUR SCHOOL LENTEN JOURNEY. OVER THE WEEKS, PUPILS HAVE PARTICIPATED IN SERVICES OF RECONCILIATION, DAILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS, THE STATIONS WERE PREPARED AND DELIVERED BY FAITH IN ACTION PUPILS.



DURING LENT OUR YEAR 10 PUPILS TOOK PART IN A THOUGHT PROVOKING INTERNAL RETREAT EXPLORING THE PROCESS OF DISCERNMENT. PUPILS PARTICIPATED IN THREE SESSIONS ALL EXPLORING HOW OUR FAITH CAN ENABLE US TO DISCERN WISELY. WE WERE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME BACK PASTOR BILLY MCCURRIE WHO SHARED HIS FAITH JOURNEY WITH THE PUPILS. IN BILLY'S SESSION, PUPILS EXAMINED THE IMPACT OF CHOICES MADE AND THE IMPORTANCE OF DISCERNMENT IN AVOIDING NEGATIVE OUTCOMES.



PUPILS WERE LED IN AN EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE AND ALSO CONSIDERED STRATEGIES WHICH ALLOW US TO MAKE WISE DECISIONS. A HUGE THANK YOU TO PASTOR BILLY AND ALL THOSE WHO COORDINATED THE RETREAT.



## YEAR 10 RETREAT DISCERNMENT

## Friday Mass

IN OUR PRAYER SPACE

EACH FRIDAY MORNING 8.20 AM MASS IS CELEBRATED IN OUR SCHOOL PRAYER SPACE NEXT TO CHAPLAINCY.

ALL PUPILS AND STAFF ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.  
SINCERE THANKS TO FATHER GODRIC WHO CELEBRATES MASS WITH US.



## EASTER PERFORMANCE AT ST BEDE'S

## THE CENTURION

## MASS

ON THE MONDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 7.30PM ARTLESS THEATRE COMPANY WILL STAGE A PERFORMANCE OF THE CENTURION IN ST BEDE'S SCHOOL.

CENTURION IS MORE THAN A RETELLING OF THE EASTER STORY, IT IS AN IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCE THAT CONFRONTS AUDIENCES WITH THE PERSON OF JESUS, THE CONTEXT OF HIS DEATH, AND THE BROKEN PEOPLE HE CAME TO SAVE.

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT EVENTBRITE AT A COST OF £5 PER PERSON.

WE WISH ALL OF YOU A BLESSED AND PEACEFUL EASTER



# Year 10 Kidney Dissection



## A BUSY TERM OF DANCING



Dance Workshop



Lancashire Dance Finals 2025





# ST BEDE'S YEAR 9 BOYS A SQUAD

## LOSE NATIONAL CUP FOOTBALL SEMI FINAL

OUR YEAR 9 A BOYS FOOTBALL TEAM LED BY MR MARSTON-YIM WENT OUT OF THE ENGLISH SCHOOL FA COMPETITION ON MARCH 11TH LOSING 2-1 AWAY TO LUDLOW HS IN WHAT WAS A CLOSELY FOUGHT MATCH. HAVING TRAVELLED TO SHROPSHIRE WELL PREPARED THE LADS WENT A GOAL DOWN TO A SET PIECE PLAY. WE THEN HAD THE BEST CHANCES THROUGHOUT THE GAME EVENTUALLY BEING REWARDED WITH AN EQUALISING GOAL FROM OUR TOP GOAL SCORER THOMAS HOWARD. THE GAME WENT INTO EXTRA TIME AND AGAINST THE RUN OF PLAY LUDLOW SCORED FROM A CORNER. UNFORTUNATELY, OUR BOYS COULD NOT FIND THE MUCH DESERVED SECOND GOAL AND DISAPPOINTINGLY MISSED OUT ON A NATIONAL FINAL WHICH WILL BE PLAYED AT WEST BROMICH ALBION'S STADIUM 'THE HAWTHORNES'. A BIG THANKYOU TO ALL OUR PARENTS WHO HAVE FOLLOWED US HOME AND AWAY. THE PLAYERS SHOULD BE EXTREMELY PROUD OF THEIR HUGE ACHIEVEMENT AND I AM SURE THEY WILL WANT TO GO EVEN FURTHER IN YEAR 10.



### OUR JOURNEY THROUGHOUT THE COMPETITION:

ROUND 1 BEAT ST MARYS SCHOOL, CROSBY (AWAY) 4-4 (WON ON PENS)  
ROUND 2 BEAT WESTHOLME SCHOOL, BLACKBURN (HOME) 4-0  
ROUND 3 BEAT ST BEDES ACADEMY, MANCHESTER (HOME) 4-2  
ROUND 4 BEAT ST PATRICKS SCHOOL, STOCKTON ON TEES NEAR NEWCASTLE (AWAY) 3-4  
ROUND 5 BEAT KING EDWARDS GRAMMAR SCHOOL, LINCOLNSHIRE (HOME) 4-2  
ROUND 6 LOST IN THE SEMI FINAL IN EXTRA TIME TO LUDLOW HS, SHROPSHIRE (AWAY) 2-1

### GOALKEEPER

LEWIS M

### DEFENDERS

HARRY L  
BERTIE D  
THOMAS D (VC)  
ALFIE M  
JOE D  
MATHEW M

### MIDFIELDERS

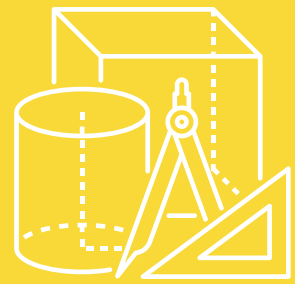
JOE N  
SAM D  
ETHAN H  
SPENCER C  
AIDAN K  
TOMMY C  
SID L

### ATTACKERS

LEO M  
JOE G (C)  
THOMAS H



WE HAVE BEEN BUSY AGAIN IN THE MATHS DEPARTMENT THIS SPRING TERM WITH VARIOUS COMPETITIONS, CLUBS AND OTHER ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES.



## Enrichment Activities



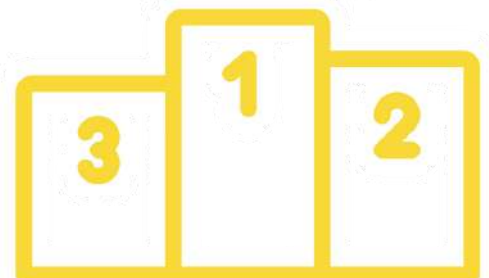
IN EARLY MARCH, I INVITED THE UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL OUTREACH TEAM IN TO DELIVER A FUN MATHS ROADSHOW TO OUR MORE ABLE PUPILS IN Y7, 8 & 9. THE Y7 & 8 PUPILS ENJOYED WORKING IN SMALL TEAMS TRYING TO SOLVE PUZZLES, SOME ARE PICTURED BELOW, WHILST PUPILS IN YEAR 9 TOOK PART IN A DRAGON QUIZ. THE YEAR 9 PUPILS HAD TO COMPETE AGAINST THE CLOCK TO SEE WHICH TEAM COULD ANSWER THE MOST QUESTIONS IN THE SHORTEST TIME. IT WAS AN ABSOLUTE PLEASURE WATCHING THEM BE SO COMPETITIVE AND USING ALL THEIR MATHS SKILLS TO REALLY ENGAGE WITH THE QUIZ.



A SPECIAL MENTION TO THE FOLLOWING PUPILS WHO MANAGED TO COMPLETE THE MOST NUMBER OF PUZZLES...

YEAR 7 - EMILY T, ISABELLA A, ALEXANDRINA X AND AYL A J.

YEAR 8 - OLIVER S, THOMAS M, REUBEN M, JAKE L AND HARRISON P.



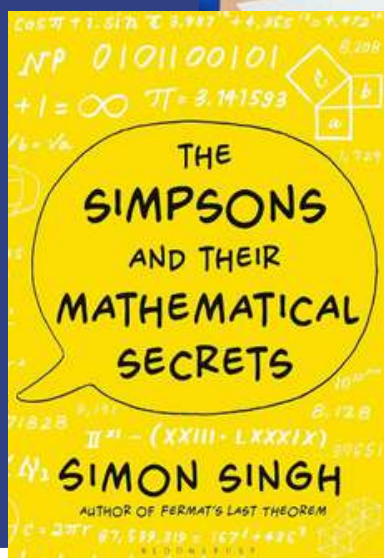


A MASSIVE CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNING TEAM MEMBERS IN EACH SESSION.



9M1A - LEXIE G, IMOGEN H, LUCY H, LACEY L AND LILY L  
9M1B - BETHANY B, GRACE M, TOM H, LOCHLANN M AND OLLIE E.

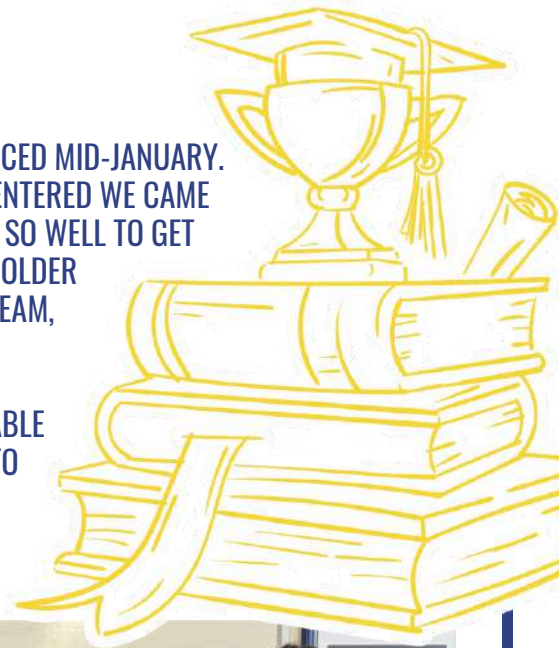
IN FEBRUARY, AUTHOR SIMON SINGH, WHO HAS FIVE PUBLISHED BOOKS ON VARIOUS ASPECTS OF MATHEMATICS & PHYSICS WAS DELIVERING A LECTURE ABOUT HIS WORK AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL. WE WERE OFFERED TEN PLACES TO Y10 PUPILS, SO I OFFERED THIS AS AN EXPERIENCE TO PREDOMINANTLY THE MATHS CHALLENGE CLUB MEMBERS. THE GROUP THOROUGHLY ENJOYED THE LECTURE, AS DID I AND LEARNT A LOT OF INTERESTING FACTS, SUCH AS DID YOU KNOW THAT THE SIMPSONS IS WRITTEN BY MATHEMATICIANS?! I'VE SINCE BOUGHT SIMON SINGH'S BOOK 'THE SIMPSONS AND THEIR MATHEMATICAL SECRETS' AND DONATED IT TO THE LIBRARY FOR ANY STUDENT TO LOAN.





# Coding Club Success

FIRSTLY, THE RESULTS OF THE NATIONAL CIPHER CHALLENGE WERE ANNOUNCED MID-JANUARY. WE ARE VERY PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT OUT OF THE 6000+ TEAMS THAT ENTERED WE CAME JOINT FIRST!!!! WE WERE A TEAM OF COMPLETE NOVICES AND SO HAVE DONE SO WELL TO GET AS FAR AS WE DID IN THE COMPETITION, OFTEN COMPETING AGAINST MUCH OLDER STUDENTS WITH A LOT MORE CODING EXPERIENCE THAN US. THE WINNING TEAM, BEDESCODERS, COMPRISING OF ROBERT O, SEAN C, MATTHEW R, KEIR L AND TIMOTHY C, WERE INVITED DOWN TO BLETCHLEY PARK FOR THE AWARDS CEREMONY BUT UNFORTUNATELY AS IT WAS IN HALF-TERM ONLY TIM WAS ABLE TO MAKE IT TO COLLECT OUR MEDALS. THE CODING CLUB WILL RUN A TRIP TO BLETCHLEY PARK IN THE SUMMER TERM SO HOPEFULLY WE'LL GET A TEAM PHOTO WHILST WE'RE DOWN THERE. FOR NOW HERE'S A TEAM PICTURE PROUDLY SHOWING OFF THEIR MEDALS....



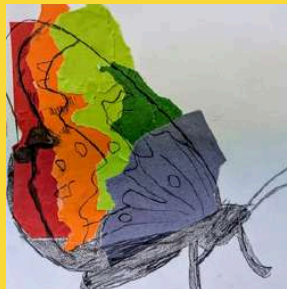
THE CODING CLUB MEMBERS ARE NOW BUSILY PREPARING THEMSELVES FOR THE NEXT CHALLENGE IN SEPTEMBER BY MAKING SURE THEY KNOW ENOUGH CIPHERS TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS AS QUICK AS THEY CAN. ANYONE IS MORE THAN WELCOME TO JOIN US ON TUESDAY LUNCHTIMES IN M2 AS OUR TRAINING TO BE SUPER DECIPHERS CONTINUES!

**Challenge Club** →  
MORE SUCCESS FROM THE MATHS CHALLENGE CLUB MEMBERS. ROBERT O ENTERED THE UKMT SENIOR CHALLENGE EARNING HIMSELF A GOLD CERTIFICATE ALONG WITH AN INVITE TO THE NEXT FOLLOW-ON ROUND. HE HAS JUST COMPLETED THE PINK KANGAROO CHALLENGE, WHICH IS UNDERTAKEN BY INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND IS EAGERLY AWAITING HIS RESULTS.

# NGE CHALLENGE CHALLENGE CHALLENGE CHALLENGE

LASTLY, WE ARE CURRENTLY RUNNING THE 10X NATIONAL CHALLENGE WHICH GIVES PUPILS OF ALL YEAR GROUPS, OPPORTUNITIES TO EITHER WORK AS INDIVIDUALS OR TEAMS, STARTING WITH AN INITIAL INVESTMENT OF £10 AND TRYING TO MAKE A PROFIT OVER THE COURSE OF 4 WEEKS. TEAMS HAVE TO CREATE A PRODUCT OR PROVIDE A SERVICE WITH A VIABLE BUSINESS MODEL THAT USES SUSTAINABLE RESOURCES TO SELL. AFTER AN INITIAL EXPRESSION OF INTEREST OF OVER 100 PUPILS, WE NOW HAVE AROUND 50, SPLIT BETWEEN 13 TEAMS THAT ARE CURRENTLY TAKING PART IN THE CHALLENGE. THERE ARE PRIZES TO BE WON FOR BEST PRODUCT, MOST SUSTAINABLE, BEST TEAM AND THE MOST INSPIRING SO HOPEFULLY ONE OF OUR TEAMS WILL HAVE DESIGNED A PRODUCT OR WORKED HARD TO GAIN PRIZES. I'LL REVEAL THE RESULTS NEXT TERM.

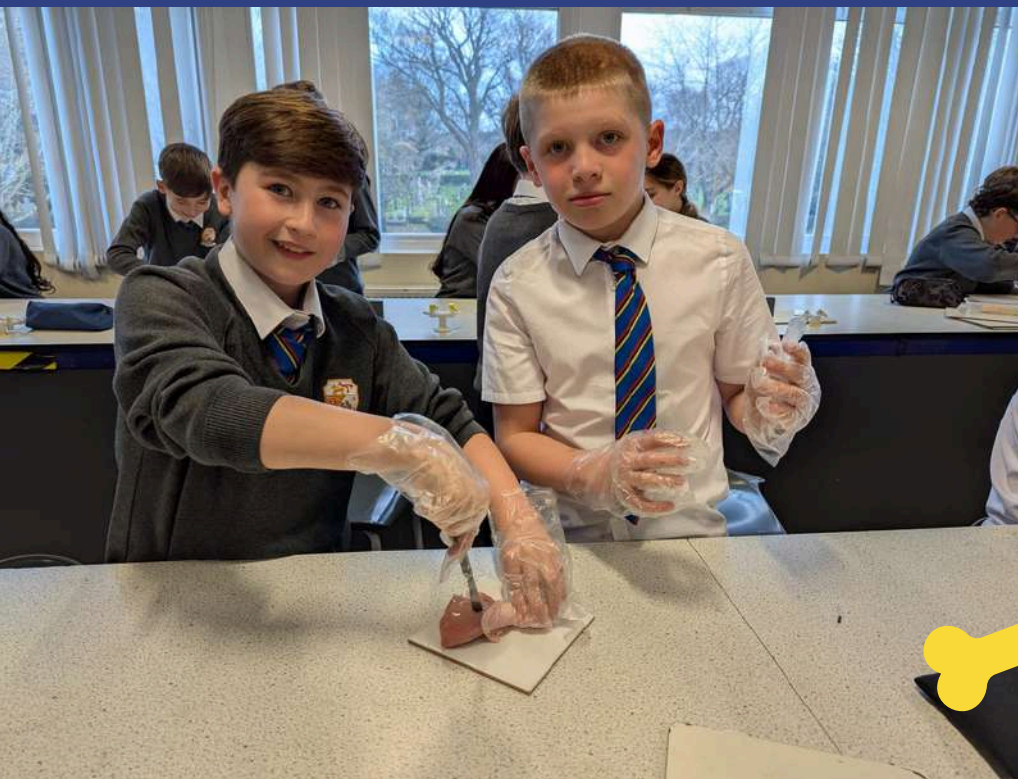
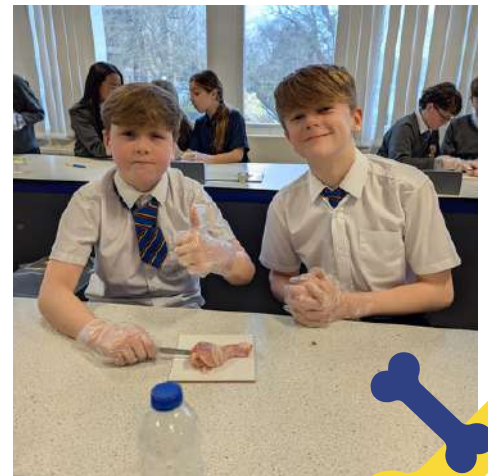
KS3 ART CLUB HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT PRINTING AND COLLAGE THIS HALF TERM. THEY HAVE CREATED GELLI PRINTS USING TEXTURES AND STENCILS TO CREATE SOME COLOURFUL PAPERS. THEY HAVE ALSO MONOPRINTED AN ANIMAL ONTO A PARTLY COLLAGED PAPER.



KS3 art club







## YEAR 7 DISSECTING A CHICKEN LEG.....

TO INVESTIGATE HOW MUSCLES  
ARE JOINED TO BONES





# YEAR 11 CLASS OF 2024

## Awards and Celebration Evening

**SPECIAL AWARDS**



**SUBJECT AWARDS**



**GUEST SPEAKER**



**11 ARROWSMITH**



**11 BARLOW**



**11 CAMPION**



**11 FISHER**



**11 MORE**







17 PAST PUPILS OF ST BEDE'S WERE INVITED BACK TO TALK TO THE Y8 PUPILS DURING THE AFTERNOON OF 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH.



WHAT GCSES WOULD BE BEST TO GET A JOB LIKE YOURS?

YEAR 8

HOT SEATING



DID YOU KNOW WHAT YOU WANTED TO DO WHEN YOU WERE AT SCHOOL?

WHAT SKILLS ARE NEEDED TO DO YOUR JOB?

THE PUPILS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK AT LEAST 6 OF THEM ABOUT THEIR TIME AT SCHOOL AND ALL ABOUT THEIR JOB NOW.

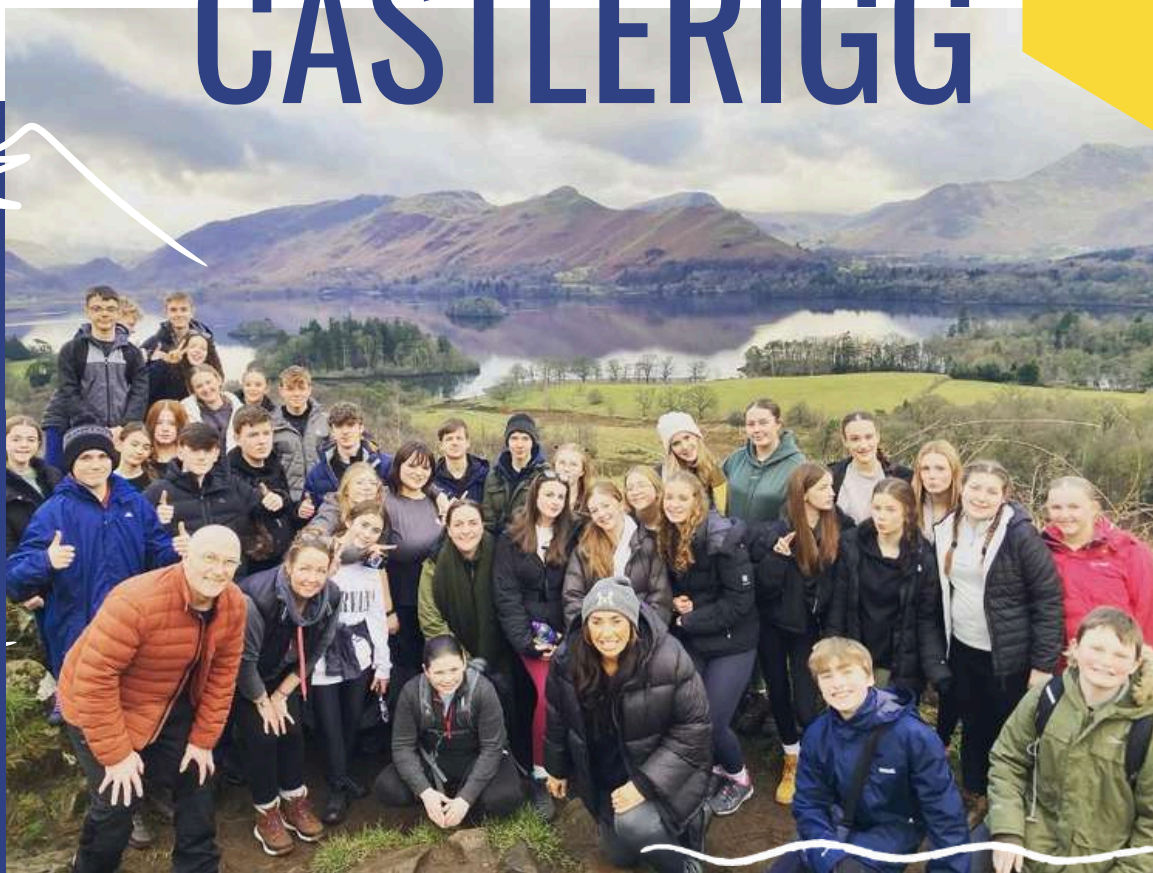


DID YOU HAVE TO GO TO UNIVERSITY?

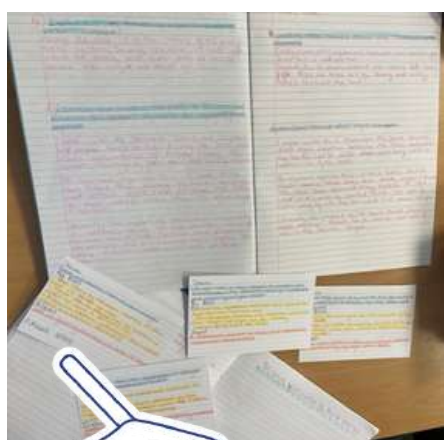




## CASTLERIGG



IN JANUARY, 40 PUPILS FROM YEAR 9 AND 10 JOURNEYED TO CASTLERIGG MANOR IN THE LAKE DISTRICT TO TAKE PART IN THE ANNUAL RESIDENTIAL RETREAT. THE TWO-NIGHT STAY WAS PACKED WITH PRAYER, REFLECTION, SPIRITUAL WORKSHOPS, HIKING AND TEAM BUILDING. THIS IS PART OF THE ST BEDE'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT PROGRAMME WHICH GIVES PUPILS A PLACE AND SPACE TO EXPLORE THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH THEMSELVES, THEIR PEERS AND GOD. IT WAS A JOY TO WATCH PUPILS DEVELOP IN FAITH AND GROW IN FRIENDSHIP. WE ARE ALREADY EXCITED FOR CASTLERIGG 2026!



YEAR 11 PUPILS HAVE BEEN WORKING EXTREMELY HARD COMPLETING WEEKLY REVISION TASKS IN THE LEAD UP TO GCSE EXAMINATIONS. EVERY WEEK PUPILS ARE IMPROVING THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND EXAMINATION SKILLS INDEPENDENTLY AT HOME BEFORE THE RE TEACHERS DEVELOP THEIR KNOWLEDGE FURTHER DURING LESSONS. THIS FLIPPED LEARNING APPROACH ENSURES THAT PUPILS ARE RETAINING KNOWLEDGE AND GROWING IN

CONFIDENCE AS WE APPROACH GCSE EXAMINATIONS. WE ARE EXTREMELY PROUD OF THEIR DETERMINATION AND RESILIENCE.



YEAR 11 REVISION



IN RESPONSE TO THE DECLARATION OF THE MIRACULOUS CURE OF JACK TRAYNOR, THE RE DEPARTMENT CREATED A SERIES OF LESSONS ABOUT JACK'S AMAZING STORY IN PREPARATION FOR THE MASS THAT TOOK PLACE IN THE METROPOLITAN CATHEDRAL. SEVERAL ST BEDE'S PUPILS JOINED THE LOURDES MUSIC GROUP DURING THE MASS AND AS ALWAYS, THEY SANG WITH CONFIDENCE AND REVERENCE. PUPILS REFLECTED ON HOW THE STORY INSPIRED THEM, WHICH MADE FOR A WONDERFUL DISPLAY IN OUR SCHOOL FOYER.

# Ryan Traynor



## WONDERFUL NEWS FOR KITTY



KITTY CAME SECOND IN THE HIGH SHERIFF OF LANCASHIRE'S YOUNG CITIZEN AWARD 2025!

SHE WAS NOMINATED BY SOMEONE CLOSE TO THE FAMILY FOLLOWING THE ASSEMBLIES SHE PRESENTED IN YEAR 8. SHE ATTENDED THE AWARDS CEREMONY WITH HER FAMILY WHO ARE ALL INCREDIBLY PROUD OF HER.





## YEAR 10 RSHE DAYS

THE RE DEPARTMENT HOSTED A SERIES OF RSHE SESSIONS DURING THE YEAR 10 ENTERPRISE WEEK. PUPILS REFLECTED ON HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS AND HOW CAREFUL DECISION-MAKING LEADS TO SAFER RELATIONSHIPS AND POSITIVE DECISION-MAKING. THIS YEAR, THE LANCASHIRE SEXUAL HEALTH TEAM SUPPORTED THE RSE TEACHERS AND DELIVERED INFORMATIVE AND INTERESTING SESSIONS. AS A CATHOLIC SCHOOL, WE WANT ALL PUPILS TO UNDERSTAND THE JOY OF LOVING, LIFE-LONG RELATIONSHIPS AND THE IMPORTANCE OF PLACING THE DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON AT THE CENTRE OF THE CHOICES THAT THEY MAKE NOW AND IN THE FUTURE.



## YEAR 9 Knife Crime DAY

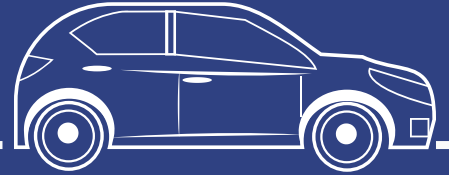
IN FEBRUARY, THE LANCASHIRE NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICE TEAM DELIVERED AN INFORMATIVE AND ENGAGING WORKSHOP TO YEAR 9 PUPILS ABOUT KNIFE CRIME. THIS SESSION DESCRIBED THE REALITY OF KNIFE CARRYING IN THE AREA AND THE HORRIFYING CONSEQUENCES OF KNIFE ATTACKS. THIS IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT TOPIC THAT WE CONTINUE TO FOCUS ON TO ENSURE OUR PUPILS ARE RISK-AWARE AND ABLE TO SPEAK OUT IF THEY ARE WORRIED OR HAVE CONCERNS. PUPILS WERE CAPTIVATED BY THE SESSION AND ASKED INSIGHTFUL QUESTIONS THROUGHOUT THE DAY.





# Year 11 ROAD SAFETY TALK

AS WE BEGIN THE PROCESS OF SAYING GOODBYE TO OUR WONDERFUL YEAR 11 PUPILS, WE ARE TAKING EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO ENSURE OUR PUPILS LEAVE SCHOOL WITH THE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS TO KEEP THEMSELVES SAFE IN THE FUTURE. MANY PUPILS WILL BE EXCITED ABOUT THE PROSPECT OF LEARNING TO DRIVE OVER THE NEXT YEAR YET THERE IS ALSO A CONCERN ABOUT THE NUMBER OF ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN THE LOCAL AREA. LANCASHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE TEAM DELIVERED A SESSION TO PUPILS ABOUT KEEPING SAFE ON THE ROADS AS THEY GAIN INDEPENDENCE AND BEGIN TO TRAVEL IN CARS WITH PEERS. WE HOPE THAT PUPILS LEFT THE SESSION REALISING THE IMPORTANCE OF ROAD SAFETY AND READY TO REMOVE THEMSELVES FROM UNSAFE SITUATIONS IN THE FUTURE.

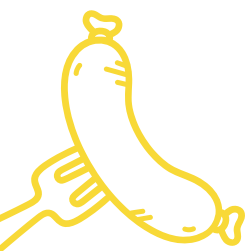
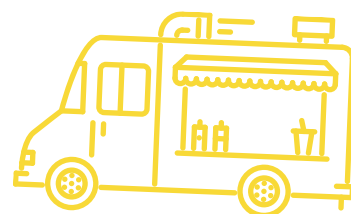


YEAR 11'S HEART DISSECTION TO  
CELEBRATE ST VALENTINE'S DAY



## 2ND PLACE LIVING FOR SPORT EVENT

## VISIT FROM GERMAN FOOD TRUCK



## SOME OF OUR SCHOOL TEAMS





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## NEWSYEAR 10 MOCK INTERVIEWS



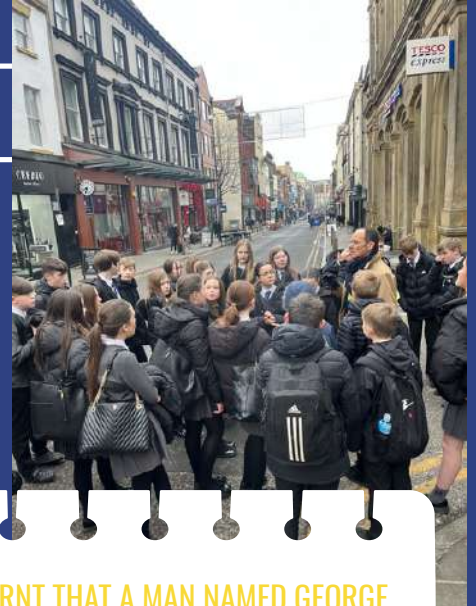
## YEAR 10 MOCK INTERVIEWS YEAR 1



# Liverpool Slave Trade Trip



A LOT OF THE BUILDINGS WERE MADE FROM THE MONEY FROM THE SLAVE TRADE AS WE KNOW AFTER/DURING THE SLAVE TRADE LIVERPOOL BECAME BIGGER AND MORE DEVELOPED – BEN C



WE LEARNT THAT A MAN NAMED GEORGE COOKE SAID 'THERE ISN'T ONE BRICK IN THIS WRETCHED TOWN THAT ISN'T CEMENTED WITH THE BLOOD OF AN ENSLAVED AFRICAN'. AFTER HAVING A CROWD BOO HIM OFF AT ONE OF HIS ACTING SHOWS IN 1772. WE GOT TO WALK DOWN STREETS LIKE SEEL STREET, BOLD STREET AND MANY MORE TO FIGURE OUT HOW FAR WE AGREED WITH GEORGE COOKE'S QUOTE – CLAUDIA



WHAT I TOOK AWAY FROM THE LIVERPOOL TRIP WAS ALL OF THE COMPARISONS OF THE BUILDS THAT WERE SERIOUSLY INVOLVED IN THE SLAVE TRADE AND ALL THE PEOPLE INVOLVED TOO – HARRISON G

THE MONEY FROM THE SLAVE TRADE WAS USED TO BUILD BUILDINGS AND MANY ROADS ARE NAMED AFTER SLAVE SHIP OWNERS. LIVERPOOL HAD A MASSIVE INVOLVEMENT IN THE SLAVE TRADE. I THINK GEORGE COOK WAS RIGHT – HENRY

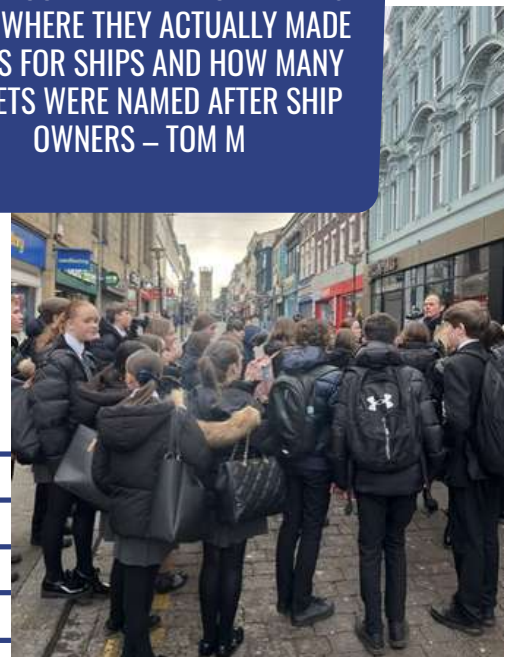
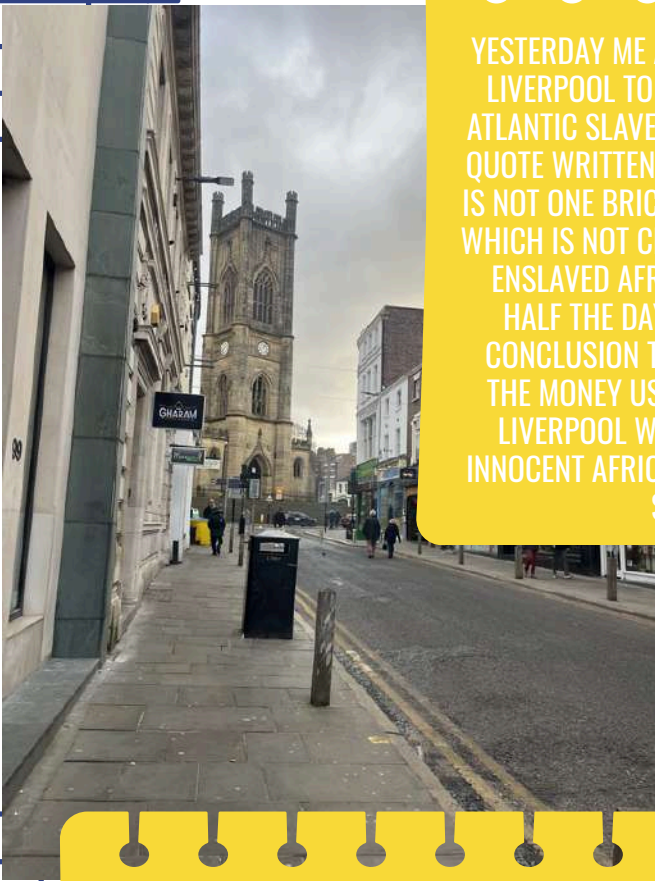


YESTERDAY ME AND MY CLASS WENT INTO LIVERPOOL TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE ATLANTIC SLAVE TRADE. WE FOCUSED ON A QUOTE WRITTEN BY GEORGE COOKE. THERE IS NOT ONE BRICK IN THE WRETCHED TOWN WHICH IS NOT CEMENTED BY THE BLOOD OF ENSLAVED AFRICANS. AFTER SPENDING HALF THE DAY THERE, I CAME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT HE WAS RIGHT THAT THE MONEY USED FOR THE BUILDING IN LIVERPOOL WAS MONEY MADE OFF OF INNOCENT AFRICANS ENSLAVED AND BEING SOLD – EVE

GEORGE COOKE SAID 'THERE ISN'T ONE BRICK THAT ISN'T CEMENTED WITH THE BLOOD OF AN ENSLAVED AFRICAN'. I THINK THAT IT WAS QUITE ACCURATE BECAUSE EVERY BUILDING WE TALKED AND LOOKED AT WAS TO DO WITH THE SLAVE TRADE – JACK

WE WENT ON A TRIP TO LIVERPOOL TO LEARN ABOUT THE SLAVE TRADE. WE FOUND OUT THAT AN ACTOR NAMED GEORGE COOKE (1772) SAID 'THERE ISN'T ONE BRICK IN THIS WRETCHED TOWN THAT ISN'T BUILT WITH THE BLOOD OF AN ENSLAVED AFRICAN'. WE LEARNT THAT THIS WAS ACCURATE FROM THE NAMES OF THE STREETS TO THE THINGS THEY WERE USED FOR. FOR EXAMPLE, BOLD STREET NAMED AFTER JONAS BOLD (INCLUDED IN THE SLAVE TRADE) WAS USED TO MEASURE ROPES FOR THE SHIPS IN THE SLAVE TRADE – GENEVIEVE

I LEARNT HOW CLOSELY RELATED LIVERPOOL WAS TO THE ATLANTIC SLAVE TRADE AND HOW RICH IT BECAME FROM ALL THE MONEY. I FOUND OUT THAT THE ROPE WALKS WERE WHERE THEY ACTUALLY MADE ROPES FOR SHIPS AND HOW MANY STREETS WERE NAMED AFTER SHIP OWNERS – TOM M



# GRITTY ROLL OF HONOUR

## Tendacity

### Year 7

JAMIE W  
AVA O  
DYLAN M  
FRANKIE S  
JUDE T  
ESME M  
SHONE S  
JACK C  
ORLAITH O  
HARLOW F  
HARRIET R  
SHAY W  
ARRAN M  
CHRISTOPHER W  
CIARAN D  
AYLA J  
ISABELLA A  
NYAH C  
GRACE B  
CHLOE L  
EMILY T  
GEORGIA R  
FIN C

### Year 8

JACOB C  
GENEVIEVE L  
CAITLIN W  
AVA J  
LYDIA S  
ADAM G  
JOEL N  
HENRY D  
DEMI M  
MOLLY MAY M  
CHARLIE H  
JAMES H  
LOUISAGRACE M  
TED K  
LUKE B  
AMBER E  
ANDREW B  
ROSIE-MAY C  
NIALL S  
ARCHIE S  
CLAUDIA S  
LOTTIE M  
WILL P  
JESS M  
ZACK L  
CARTER M  
KIERA C  
GABRIELLE B  
HARRIET M  
BEN O  
POPPY C  
ZAK M  
OLIVIA B

### Year 9

JOE G  
EVIE T  
LUCY H  
LILY L  
FINLAY B  
WOJTEK Z  
SCARLETT B  
SAM P  
REBECCA W  
STANLEY H  
OLLIE E  
DAISY D  
ELSA T  
LUCY F  
NIAMH M  
JAMIE W  
SASKIA B  
EVA R  
IMOGEN P  
KITTY G  
SAM B  
ISLA A  
LACEY L  
CHLOE N  
GRACE M  
MATAS B  
ISABELLA W  
HANNAH M  
ABBIE L  
LUCAS S  
JESSICA M  
MADELEINE P

### Year 10

CHARLIE B  
AVA K  
ELFRED N  
LOLA B  
ISABELLE J  
SEAN C  
HARLEY W  
ELISSIA N  
SOFIA R  
HONOR B  
MICHELLE F  
THOMAS B  
HEIDI C  
GEORGIA T  
EMILY B  
CHARLOTTE D  
EVELYN M  
LIUCA F  
ROBERT O  
REBECCA K  
HEIDI S  
JOSH D  
AARON K  
NATHANIEL B  
POPPY W  
EVIE P  
JOEL N  
DAISY N  
RACHEL E  
DANIEL M  
LOIS S  
LUCAS R  
JAMIE M  
RYAN M  
ALEX B  
AVA J  
HARRIET M  
SOPHIA W  
EMILY C  
LUKE C  
AARON C  
JESSICA M  
HEIDI W  
ELISE S  
LEILA A  
ISLA B  
BELLA D  
SCARLETT Y

### Year 11

FREDERIC L  
KATIE C  
HARRY J  
MAGGIE C  
KAYLEN D  
CHARLIE O  
IMOGEN D  
MILLIE S  
AVA S  
LAKEN P  
PHOEBE D  
MAX O  
KATE B  
EVIE C  
ISACC C  
HARRY J  
CHLOE L  
LUCY D  
LIBBY B  
BEBHINN F  
JOSH O  
GEORGE A  
ISAAC L  
DAISY D  
FREDDY S  
KIERA T  
EMILI M  
MILLIE W  
ELEANOR G  
CAMARA V  
ALEXA M  
LUCAS H  
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EMILY G  
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ELLA H  
KITTY P  
ANNIKA G  
SADIE H  
MIA S  
LUCY T

