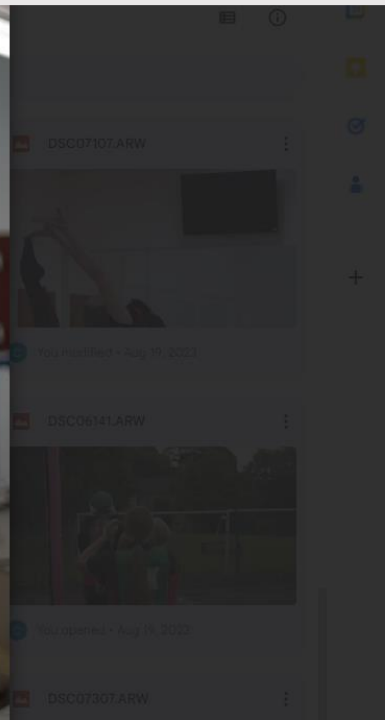




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# Open Evening

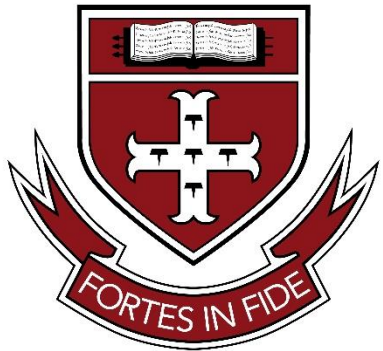


# Housekeeping

Evacuation-Assembly Point

Refreshments Station

First Aid



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**Headteacher: Mrs Hammill  
Welcome**



# St Bede's Prayer

Lord, I place myself and my day into your hands. Help me to remember, in each moment of today, that I belong to a community that shows **compassion**, seeks **justice** and offers **hope**.

I believe that my **choices** are my **responsibility** and I must be **accountable** for my thoughts, words and actions.

I belong to a community that offers **love**, **kindness** and **friendship** to all people.

I believe that every person is my **neighbour** and I will stand in **solidarity** with people of all religions and no religion.

I belong to a community that celebrates me and the gifts and **talents** I have been given.

I believe that by using my gifts and talents, I can strive for **excellence** in all that I do and **inspire** others along the way.

I belong to a community that is **inclusive** and has **Christ** at the heart of all that we do and say.

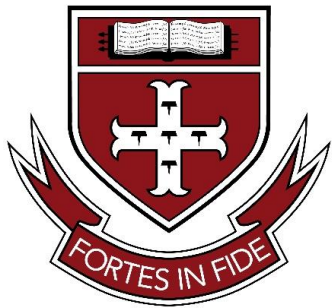
I believe that it is my mission to make Christ known to others.

I belong to a community of **faith**, **hope** and **love**.

I belong to St. Bede's.



# Open Evening Programme



## **Tour of the school:**

Department interactive activities-join in!

Student Helpers and Buddies

Live dance and music performances

Visit our sports facilities, music/science/art/ technology specialist areas

Visit our Sixth Form building

## **In the dining hall:**

Testing menu of our school dining options

Transport Information stand

Admissions and appeals information stand

First Aid and Medical information stand

## **SEND Base:**

Visit our Learning Link and speak to our SENDCO





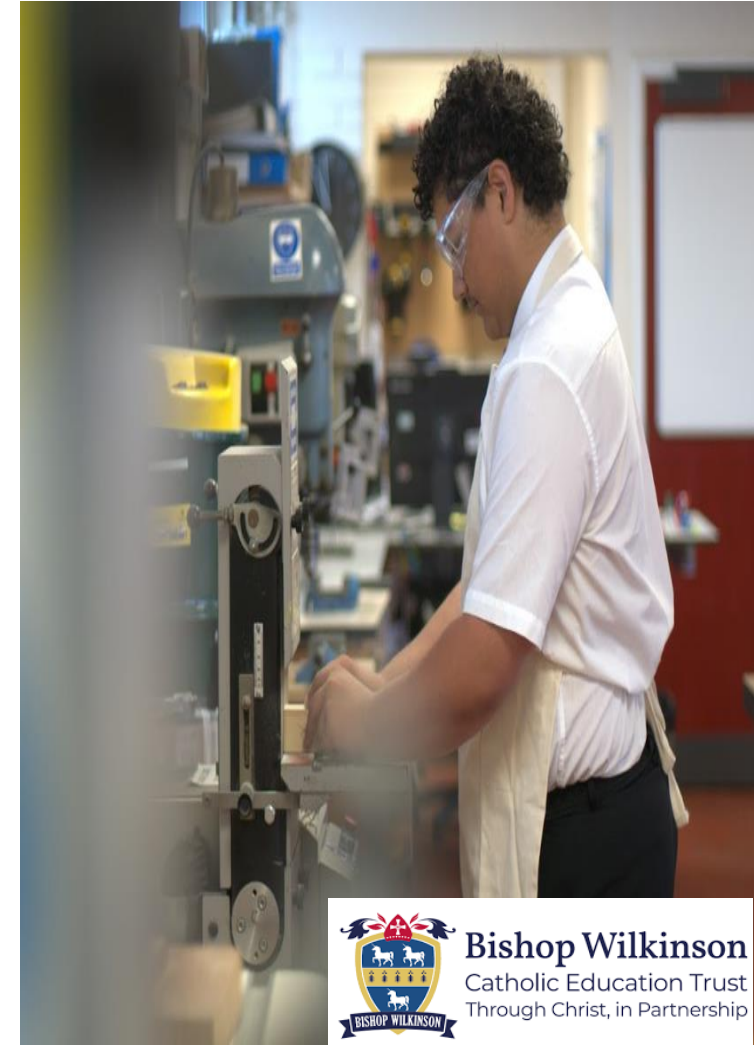
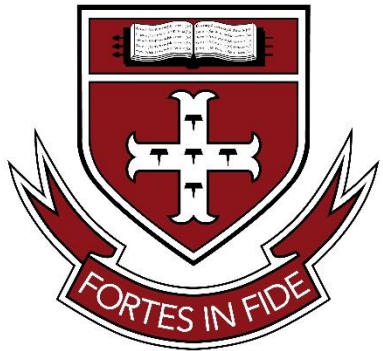
# Headteacher Introduction

Joined school community as Headteacher: June 2023

Commitment to St. Bede's

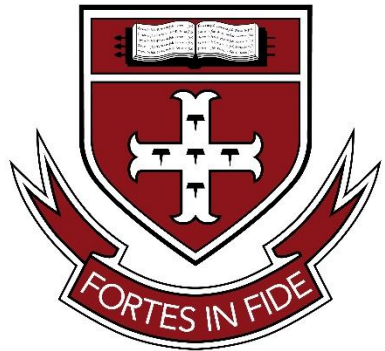
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Our school today



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# Forming the Whole Person



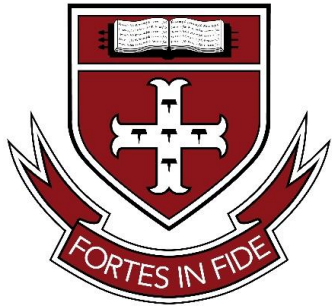
**“The task of a teacher is not simply to impart information or to provide training in skills intended to deliver some economic benefit to society; education is not and must never be considered as purely utilitarian. It is about forming the human person, equipping him or her to live life to the full – in short it is about imparting wisdom.”**

*Pope Benedict XVI (Address to Teachers and Religious, 2010)*



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# Our Values as a Catholic School and Sixth Form



Loving and inclusive school community.

Welcome, respect and support all our students on their seven-year journey with us and beyond.

Aspirational: we bring out the best in ourselves and each other.

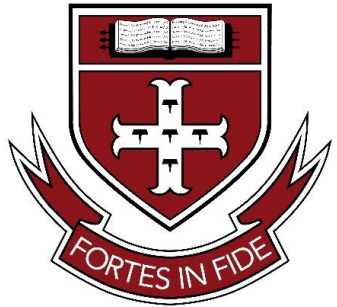
Pursue excellence for all our students and in every aspect of school life.



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# Excellence in Teaching and Learning



Experienced staff who secure good outcomes at GCSE, Btec and A-Level.

Broad and balanced curriculum.

Aspirational for all our students.

Proactive in removing barriers.





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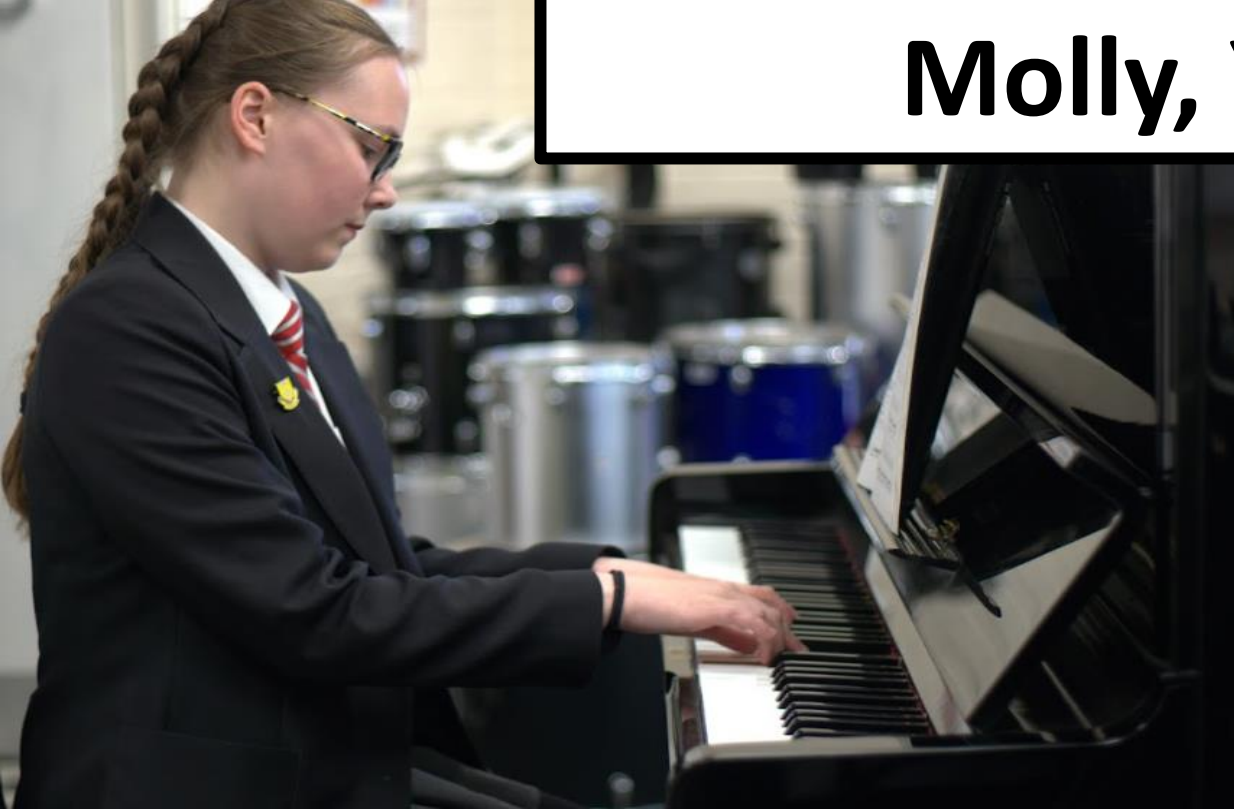
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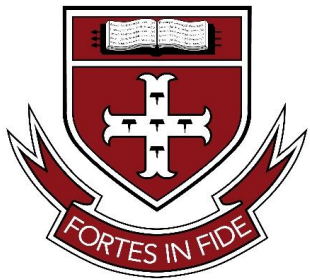




**Forming the whole person  
Molly, Year 8**



# Enrichment at St. Bede's

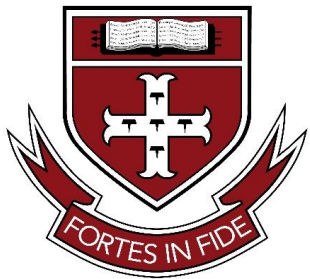


- Sports Clubs and Teams: football, rugby, netball, tennis, cricket, athletics, dance, trampolining, kinball, table tennis, basketball, dodgeball
- Knit and Natter
- Chess Club
- Shakespeare Whoosh!
- Coding and Cyber Club
- Book Club, Student Librarians
- Chaplaincy Team, Faith in Action, Holy Rosary
- School show, Orchestra, Choir, Guitar Group
- Art Club
- Chinese Enrichment
- Chill Zone, Crafts and Quiet Space
- Bede's Bake-Off
- STEM club





# The Taught Curriculum

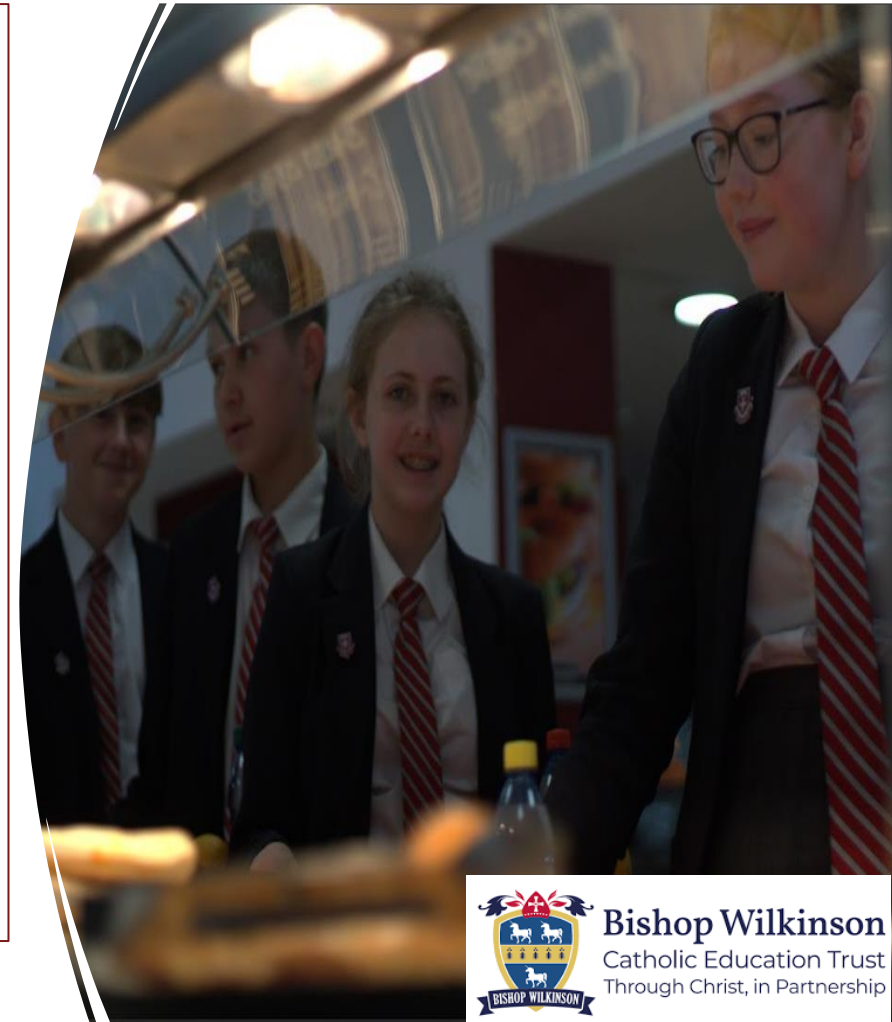


We are very proud of our broad curriculum which is delivered by specialist teaching staff.

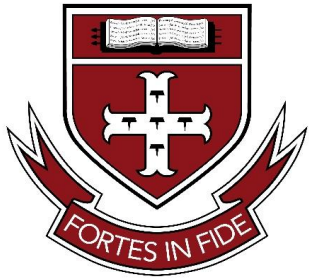
Carefully sequenced allowing for progression for all students.

Subjects taught from Year 7 to Year 13:

- RE
- English
- Maths
- Sciences
- MFL
- History
- Geography
- Computer Science
- Music
- Art
- PE
- Technology
- Business \*
- Health and Social Care \*
- Psychology \*
- Sociology \*



# Our Pastoral System



When starting at St Bede's, each student is allocated to a Tutor Group within a Year.

The tutor oversees a child's welfare and development in school, normally remaining with their group from Year 7 to Year 11.

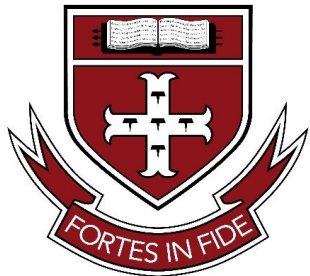
Year Leaders will also remain with their year cohort from Year 7 through to Year 11.

The Tutor Groups meet together every morning for 30 minutes.

The pastoral system is designed so that all students will have a genuine sense of belonging inside this large community.



# The Pastoral Team - Teaching



Deputy Headteacher,  
Pastoral

Mrs McHale

Assistant Headteacher,  
Pastoral

Mrs Bradley  
(KS3)

Mr Diston  
(KS4)

Year Leader

Miss Dale  
(Year 7)

Mrs  
Henderson  
(Year 8)

Mr Rourke  
(Year 9)

Mrs Parker  
(Year 10)

Mrs  
Marsland  
(Year 11)

Assistant Year Leader

Mrs  
Whitaker  
(Year 7)

Miss Bradley  
(Year 8)

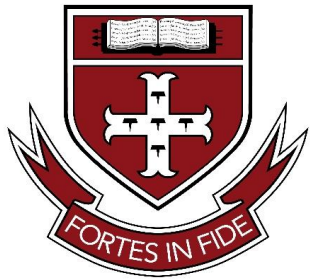
Mr Atkin  
(Year 9)

Miss Gibbs  
(Year 10)

Ms Murphy  
(Year 11)



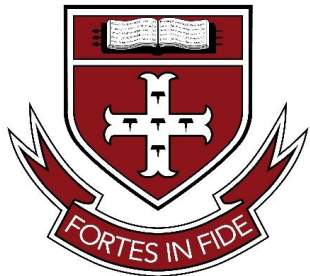
# The Pastoral Team - Support



Role	Staff
Safeguarding	Mrs Meggeson
Attendance Lead	Mrs Joughin
Behaviour Support	Mrs Diston
Pastoral Manager: Home-School	Mrs Taylor
Medical and First Aid	Mrs Stemp
Chaplain	Miss Eddy
Librarian	Mrs Jiju
Careers advice and guidance	Mrs Jukes



# Behaviour and Uniform



To encourage good behaviour and to foster self-discipline, staff will take every opportunity which presents itself, to praise and reward pupils for excellent behaviour, attendance and progress.

St Bede's operates a System of Rewards. Achievement points are counted weekly, and rewarded.

Prizes and certificates are awarded at the end of term for the highest totals.

A clear School Behaviour Policy is used to deal with behaviour which is unacceptable in school.

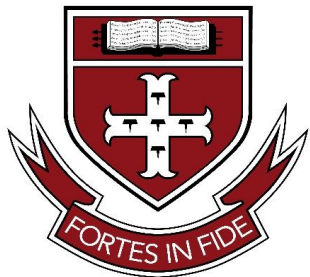
A clear School Uniform Policy is used to ensure high standards of uniform are upheld, where everyone is treated fairly and equally.

✓ **Be READY, Be RESPECTFUL, Be SAFE.**



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# Safeguarding and Attendance



It is essential that if a pupil is to make progress in every aspect of school life, he or she attends regularly.

We work closely with families to offer support and early intervention when the need arises to ensure our students attend school.

We have a dedicated Attendance Manager, Mrs Joughin along with the support of the wider safeguarding team.

Safeguarding, and the welfare of your child is at the forefront of all that we do.

We have an extensive, highly trained, specialist safeguarding team.

All staff are trained and skilled in supporting your child, to listen, understand and act upon any concerns they may have.



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# Safeguarding

If you don't feel safe or you're worried about the safety of any member of our school community, our safeguarding team is here to help.



Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads



**Mrs McHale**  
Designated  
Safeguarding Lead



**Mrs Bradley**



**Mr Diston**



**Mrs Diston**



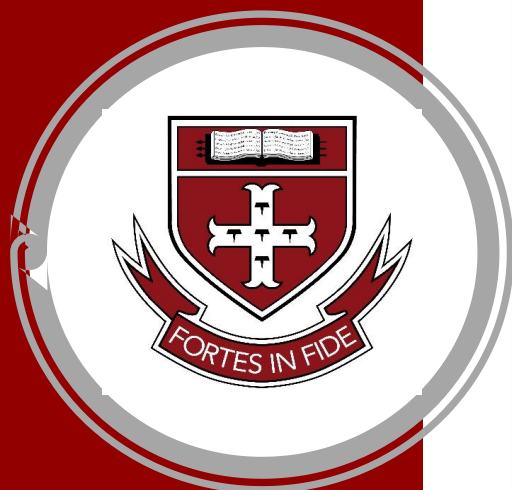
**Mr McCarthy**



**Mrs Meggeson**



**Mrs Stemp**





# Transition Support

A great deal of time and care is given to ensuring that new pupils can quickly settle into the routines of St Bede's.

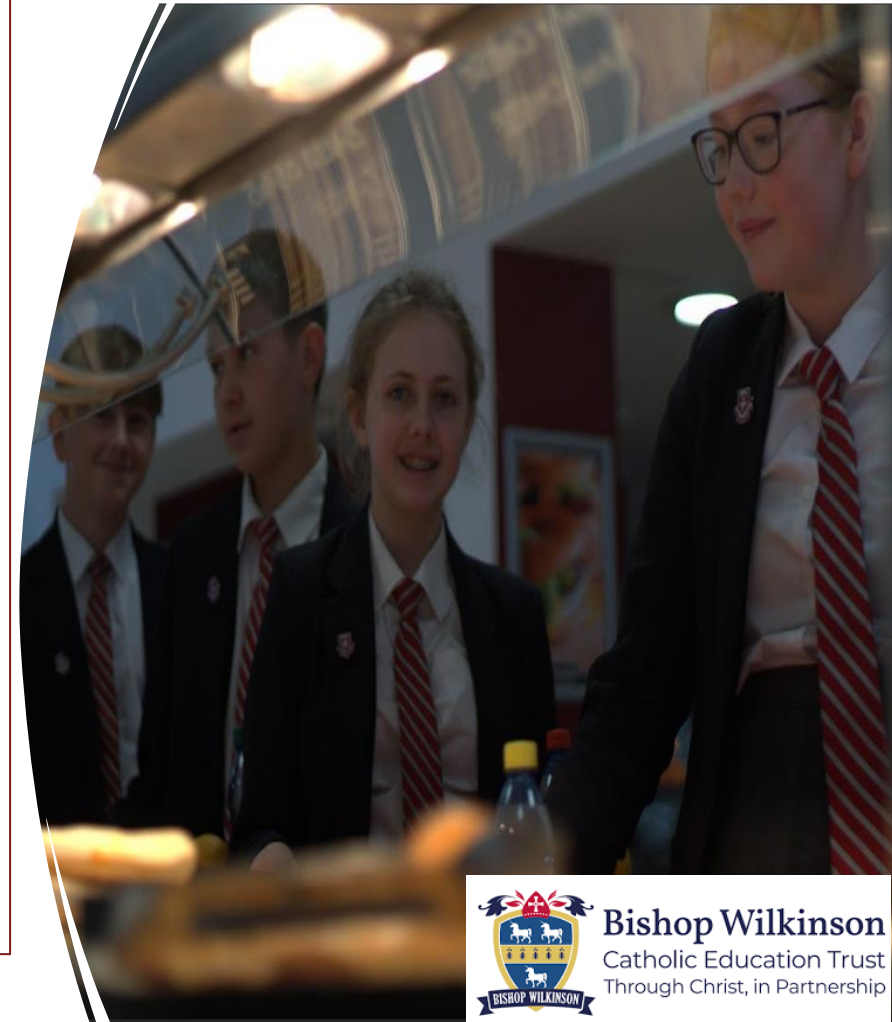
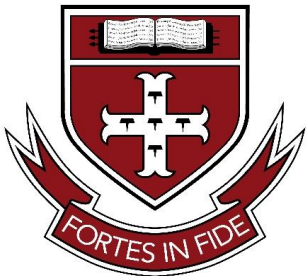
During the summer term staff from St Bede's visit the contributory Catholic primary schools of all those pupils who will be transferring in September.

Our Transition Team liaises with all new pupils before they start at St Bede's.

In the summer term parents of pupils transferring the following September, together with their children, are invited to St Bede's to meet the Head Teacher, Senior Staff and Pastoral Staff.

All Year 6 pupils are encouraged to spend two full days at St Bede's following a specifically designed timetable.

We will be delivering a 3-day Summer School, open to all Year 6 pupils to support their transition, at the start of the Summer holidays.





# SEND

SENDCo: Mrs Noon  
Assistant: SENDCo Miss Emmerson

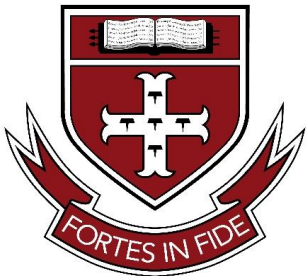
- Here to support pupils with a range of additional needs.
- Supporting pupils with interventions both in and out of the classroom.
- Making sure all pupils thrive and progress in school.



**Mrs Noon**  
SENDCO



**Miss Emmerson**  
Assistant  
SENDCO



# Admissions

We are a popular and oversubscribed school.

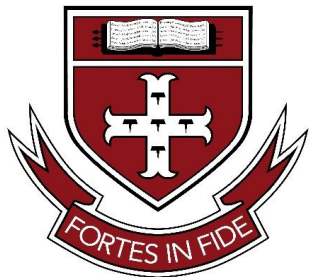
**National deadline: 31 October 2023**

**School offer day: 01 March 2024**

**Apply via: Durham County Council online  
Parent Portal**

Web Link:

[Apply now for a secondary school place - deadline 31 October 2023 - Durham County Council](#)



The screenshot shows the Durham County Council website with the following content:

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- Right sidebar: Contact us, Document downloads (Privacy notice - education support (PDF, 141.8kb)), Related information (Apply for a primary or secondary school place, Secondary school places, Timelines and important dates for secondary school applications, Find a school or college, Apply to change school during the school year)



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# Appeals

We are a popular and oversubscribed school. Please see our Admissions Policy for our admissions criteria.

If you are not offered a place at St. Bede's, you can appeal.

The appeal process information will be given to you alongside your offer.

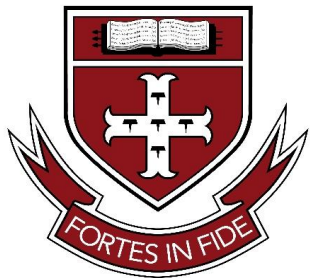
The appeals process is simple to follow.

If your child is not offered a place at St. Bede's, please get in touch with us and we will support you as to next steps. We are here to help.

**01207 520424**

**Or, use the 'contact us' form on our website**

**Or, visit our main reception in person**



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