



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 29th September 2023

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St. Ben's School Christian Values: Community, Resilience and Kindness

PTFA UP AND RUNNING

Our PTFA met on Wednesday and we are delighted to have three parents on board, with two more on the way. The big fundraiser for this term will be the Frost Fayre (Sat 25th November) and we are seeking lots of parents to help out by doing a two-hour shift during the day – more on this soon. We will also run discos and other events throughout the year.

Our target is to raise enough money to complete phase 1 of the playground play area. We are targeting £15,000 and we currently have £11,000. If you can help or know any other ways to raise money including grants or subsidies, we would love to hear from you!

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week's Collective Worship, led by Annie and Phil, was all about the temptation of Christ. Our actors played their roles brilliantly, with Sasha calling on his devilish side!



GIRLS' FOOTBALL TEAM

St. Benedict's 6 Elmhurst 0

On Tuesday, the St. Ben's Girls' Football team started their league campaign with an outstanding 6 – 0 victory over Elmhurst. It took the team some time to gel and find their positions, with captain Pizlo and fellow defender Daine solid at the back in the early exchanges, but once St. Ben's got into their groove, there was no stopping them. Midfielders Hopkins, Sander-Jackson, Denslow and Casey-Sharp began to look more assured and Chapman fizzed with energy. Morrison in centre midfield took control of the game and scored two first half goals before adding to her tally in the second half. After the break, St. Ben's looked even more menacing and Salter scored a well-deserved goal before Morrison took her tally up to five! By the end, the St. Ben's machine was threatening goals with every attack and keeper Harrison-Lowndes was a virtual spectator, coping brilliantly with the odd Elmhurst foray. Coaches Mr Ranger and Mr Lintell (and an enthusiastic crowd) couldn't have been more delighted with the scintillating performance.

The Girls' team now have a break before returning to action in three weeks' time...



WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?

Our weekly feature on what our multi-talented pupils are up to out of school...

This week, we feature two heroic girls from Year 5 who had a sleepover last week and decided to help their community by doing a litter pick. As you can see, before they settled down to movies and snacks, Skye and Oriella collected a full bag of rubbish to make their town a cleaner and better place to be. Not only did these young legends bag themselves a lot of litter, but they were also rewarded by Mr Ranger with a 'Values' award in today's Celebration Praise. Well done, girls – you are community heroes!



ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Headteacher's Award</u>	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats:	Cave: for always having fantastic ideas and contributing to our learning.	Sinead: for always being ready to learn and trying her best.
Unicorns:	Amelia – for great effort in reading.	Barnaby: for being a kind and caring friend.
Chameleons:	Kara: for amazing teamwork skills – she was a Bee during our RE drama activity.	Eli C: for amazing drama skills and always participating in class discussion!
Owls:	Jack C: for always being cheerful and working hard in all areas.	Luna-Lily: working really well as a team in science and drama in English.
Spiders:	Jasper: for sowing brilliant resilience even when he finds things tricky.	Hartley: for always having a resilient attitude to his learning.
Tortoises:	Dexter: for fantastic 'place value' work in maths.	Megan H: for always being kind and thoughtful.
Leopards:	Keira: for trying her best in everything she does.	Katie: for fantastic participation in PE!
Peacocks:	Ruby: for always working hard and trying her best.	Sam: for excellent focus and concentration.
<u>Class Dojo Champs</u>	This week's champions are Unicorn Class with 19.8 points per child and they get an extra break next week. Well done, Leopards!	
<u>Attendance Champs</u>	Our attendance champs this week are Owl Class, with 98.2%! Well done, Owls, you get a well-deserved extra break next week.	
<u>Reading Champs</u>	This week the following % of children managed to read 5 x a week at home: Cat - 56%, Unicorn - 79%, Owl - 90%, Chameleon - 74% Tortoise – 81%, Spider – 95%, Leopard - 76%, Peacock - 61% meaning that this week's champs are Spider Class once again; they are top of the leader-board for this term! Well done Spiders! Most improved class are Owls, who went from 73% last week to 90%!	

BLUE PETER READING BADGE

New English Lead, Miss Murphy reporting...

A new Blue Peter badge has been designed by one of the UK's best-known illustrators, Sir Quentin Blake; who you might know from bringing to life characters such as Roald Dahl's BFG and Matilda! To earn your badge, just share your love of books by answering the questions on

the website: [Blue Peter Book badge | Find out how to earn the Book BP badge - CBBC – BBC](#)

It's quick and easy to do and did you know badge owners, with a valid badge card, can gain free entry into over 200 Blue Peter Badge attractions around the country such as theme parks, zoos and castles?

As well as launching the new badge, Blue Peter have teamed up with The Reading Agency and BBC Arts to bring viewers a monthly Book Club jam-packed with fantastic stories. Each month, presenters will showcase a new book and be joined by young readers to talk about the incredible stories, new worlds and fascinating characters they discover.

Could you be the first St. Ben's pupil to earn their Blue Peter Reading Badge??



REMINDER: WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please remember that we are a nut-free school. Please consider this when making your child's lunch as we have a number of children with serious nut allergies.

POLY-TUNNEL HELP

Do any of you lovely people have any experience putting up poly-tunnels? We are replacing the skin of our poly-tunnel and need a team to do it. Can you help? If so, please contact Mr Ranger via Class Dojo.

PUPIL PREMIUM GRANT- SIGN UP NOW FOR MONEY OFF!!

The Pupil Premium Grant is government funding available to schools for any eligible pupils.

Approximately 35% of our current pupils are already eligible, but we want to make sure that as many children can benefit as possible.

The money is paid to the school and allows us to subsidise many things at school including trips, uniform, events and activities. It may also mean your child can access extra support with academic and cultural opportunities.

We are aware that circumstances are changing for many families. If you think you may be eligible, we'd love to hear from you; please call the office, or Mr Ranger for an application form (this is one side of A4 and very simple to complete!).

Dates for your diary:

Date:	Event/Activity:
Wed 11 th October – 2pm	Harvest Festival at St. Benedict's Church - all welcome
Friday 13 th October All day	Year 4 Celts Day – children to dress up and transform into Celts for the day!
Mon 16 th Oct 3:30 – 5:30pm	Parents' Evening
Wed 18 th Oct 5:30 – 7:30pm	Parents' Evening
Friday 20 th Oct	Break up for half term
Monday 30 th Oct	INSET Day: Teacher training day – school closed to pupils.
Tuesday 31 st Oct	Pupils return to school after half term.

5-ASIDEFOOTBALL

TOURNAMENT

WEDNESDAY 25TH
OCTOBER

10AM-2PM

TOR LEISURE
CENTRE, BA6 9EF

FREE TO ATTEND!
OPEN TO ALL
ABILITIES



REGISTER NOW!

For more information
email:

9-16 YEAR
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works with communities to get people
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6YRS - 11YRS



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Be an on-call firefighter



We are recruiting for paid on-call firefighters.

Help your local community and earn extra money by becoming an on-call firefighter.

Find out more on our website

[dsfire.gov.uk/on-call](https://www.dsfire.gov.uk/on-call)



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We are holding a recruitment event at:

Glastonbury Fire Station - George Street, Glastonbury, BA69JH
30 September: 1600 - 1900

On-Call Fire Station

Recruiting now



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George Street, Glastonbury BA6 9JH



How much could I earn as an on-call firefighter?

Earnings depend on the hours you provide and how busy the station is.



£11,515

Annual average wage for this station

Average calls per month



Daytime - 12



Evening - 8



Night time - 4

Average length of a fire call



1hr 18mins



On-call firefighters carry pagers. When the pager sounds, you will need to get to the fire station promptly and within five minutes of being alerted. This could be from your home or a place of work.



Drill nights:
Monday
19:30 - 21:30

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 Service Headquarters
 The Knowle
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 Exeter
 EX3 0NW

Contact number: 01392 872200
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Mythbusters

Am I too short to become a firefighter?

There is no minimum height requirement to become a firefighter.

Do I need to sleep on station?

No. On-call staff have a pager that alerts them when a call comes in. You will then respond to station within five minutes. The majority of the time you will continue to go about your daily life.

Could this help me to become a full time firefighter?

Last year we offered 43 full time positions to on-call staff. This will continue.

If I have to work out of town or take the kids to school, how do I do this?

At this station contracts range from 30 - 120 hours per week, you are only required to be immediately available during the hours you agree with us.



How much could I earn as an on-call firefighter?

(In addition to any primary employment)



Jane is a single parent providing 38 hours per week during the day earning **£7,279 a year**.



Dave works shifts while providing 96 hours per week split between days and nights earning **£14,187 a year**.



Sarah has her own business and gives 65 hours per week including some weekends, she earns **£10,169 a year**.

Figures will vary according to station activity and hours of cover provided

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