



# ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 24th November 2023

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

## YEAR 4 VISIT WALES FOR A ROMAN ADVENTURE

On Wednesday this week, the intrepid historians of Year 4 took to the road to visit the Roman Centre in Caerleon for a trip back in time. As well as workshops in the Museum, they also visited the Roman Baths and the site of the amphitheatre and barracks. They discovered amazing facts about the Romans in Britain and the behaviour was outstanding! Well done, Year 4!



## ATTENDANCE

We are really proud of our strong attendance (currently 95.6% as a school). Please help us to keep it this way by ensuring your child does not miss any school, other than emergencies or genuine illness. Please be aware that we may fine for holidays taken during term time.

## BREAKTIME SNACK REMINDER

A reminder that children may only eat fruit and vegetables for their break-time snack. Please do not give them anything else. Also a reminder to all that we are a nut-free school – this is because we have pupils with allergies. Thanks for your understanding.



# FOOTBALL SPECIAL

## GIRLS' FOOTBALL SUCCESS

On Tuesday, the Girls' Team spent the afternoon at Strode pitches taking part in the area schools' tournament. The Girls' played incredibly well, topping their group after 1-0 victories vs Selwood and Elmhurst (goals from Salter and Zharuk) and a 0-0 draw vs St. Paul's. The team then lost a tight final vs Brookside 2-0. As a result of their awesome performance, they have qualified for the County Finals in January!



## BOYS' FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

On Thursday, the Boys' Team took to the pitch in the Mendip Schools' tournament. They beat Elmhurst 3-0 (goals from Austin x2 and Richards), beat St. Paul's 3-0 (Foote x2 and Richards) and then beat Selwood 1-0 (Richards). The group victory meant that the team qualify for the County Finals in January. The entire team were magnificent, with the awesome defence not conceding one goal. We look forward to the next challenge...



## BOYS' TEAM WINS SEMI

### St. Ben's 5 Brookside 1

On Monday, the Boys' team took on Brookside in the play-offs semi-finals. After a cagey first half the score was 1-1 with a goal from Richards cancelled out by a neat Brookside finish. In the second half, a more organised St. Ben's team took control with Player of the Match, Brooke, running the midfield with poise and power.

St. Ben's began to pass the ball with purpose and created holes in the Brookside defence. Before long Richards added a second before Carter finished off a great team move to make it 3-1. As Brookside pushed forward to chase the game, defenders Gregory, Asparuhov and Mwadira-Key were on hand to nullify their attack and captain Trojanowski was quick off his line when he sensed danger.

As the game opened up, Carter and Richards created havoc for Brookside and goals by Brooke and Foote made the final score 5-1 to St. Ben's. Another great performance sees the team through to the final vs West Pennard, who triumphed 7-0 in the other semi-final.





# HOT CHOCOLATE WITH THE HEAD

Friday 24th saw Hot Chocs with the Headteacher; an opportunity to say well done to those pupils who have received Mr Ranger's special award so far this term. As well as a delicious (and warming!) hot chocolate, pupils got the chance for an extra play. Well done to you all!



A huge thank you to all the adults who helped out, from Mrs Lawford and Mrs Daniels setting up the drinks, to Ms Branton, Miss Lock, Miss Chouings and Mr Lintell for helping Mr Ranger serve up!





# What are you up to?



Our weekly focus on what our wonderful pupils are up to out of school hours.

This week, we feature a Year 6 horse-rider and a Year 5 drummer. First up, Sol, who has this week achieved his Stage 1 of Horse Care and Riding at Burcott Stables, with some help from his trusty steed, Harvey. Also, Echo, who is part of the wonderful Dragon Drummers team and practises for 2 hours a week. Echo and her fellow drummers will be performing at the Frost Fayre – starting at 4:30pm at St. John's Church. Well done both of you – great work!



## ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Headteacher's Award</u>	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats:	Marley: resilience during his reading assessment and making huge progress!	Evie: for making huge progress in her reading assessment!
Unicorns:	Reggie: for great focus and resilience in his reading test.	Charlie B: for being a chameleon and turning his learning behaviour around.
Chameleons:	Willow: super subtraction skills in maths and thoughtful questions at Caerleon.	Chameleon Class and Owl Class for an amazing attitude to learning and brilliant behaviour on our trip to Caerleon!
Owls:	Kiyo: for resilient and determined in all his work.	
Spiders:	Jacob P: for good attitude to his school work even when he is finding it difficult.	Issy: for always making good choices in and out of the classrooms.
Tortoises:	Skye: for a beautifully presented biography.	Mason Tr: for good work in reading comprehension.
Leopards:	Billyray: for a great attitude to his maths practise paper.	Corey: for a better attitude in class.
Peacocks:	Noah: for being a 'curious cat' and asking inquisitive questions.	Liam: for being a positive attitude and working hard when facing a challenge.
<u>Class Dojo Champs</u>	This week's champions are Cat Class with 19.9 points per child and they get an extra break next week. Well done, Cats!	
<u>Attendance Champs</u>	Our attendance champs this week are Spider Class with 99.6%! Well done, Spiders, you get a well-deserved extra break next week.	
<u>Reading Champs</u>	This week the following % of children managed to read 4 x a week at home: <b>Cat - 84%, Unicorn - 75%, Owl - 52%, Chameleon - 56%, Tortoise -%, Spider - 79%, Leopard - 72%, Peacock - 84%.</b> This week's champs are Peacock and Cat Classes who are top of the leader-board for this half term! Well done Peacocks and Cats!	
<u>Other awards:</u>	Accelerated Reader Target Master awards for Charlie A, Charlie B, Eris, Felix, Florence, Barnaby, James, Lily, Amber, Emilia and Libby (Yr3); Felicity (Yr6) Koby and Troy are the Busy Bees of the Week. Values awards for Hamish and Mark for resilience and kindness – well done, lads! Bronze awards: Jack P (Y4), Stanley, Jake, Sasha, Dexter, Eloise (Y5) and Chloe (Y6). Bikeability: Precious, Nova, Monika, Mya, Lucas, Luka, Isambard, Ezmay, Finley, Bessie, and Elijah.	

# CAREERING AHEAD

PSHE Lead, Miss Murphy reporting...

As announced on Class Dojo, we are delighted that our school has been selected to take part in the 'Start Small, Dream Big' careers' related project which aims to:

- **Increase awareness and aspirations** amongst primary aged children of the range of jobs and career pathways available to them in the future
- show children the opportunities are endless by exposing them to a **wide range of experiences**, and encouraging them to understand that they can be anything they want, regardless of their gender, ethnicity or where they live.
- Provide children with a **forward looking, realistic view of the jobs** and the way we work.
- Develop understanding amongst children of **the link between what they learn in school, skills and the world of work.**
- **Increase parental engagement** in supporting children to think broadly about future careers.

*You can help with this by volunteering to share your skills and knowledge of the workplace with the children. If you feel that this is something you would like to do, please contact us. Thanks for your support.*

# BIG QUESTION: ANTI-BULLYING WITH YEAR 6



For this week's BIG Question, it was the pupils in charge as four Year 6's delivered a hard-hitting assembly on anti-bullying. Luka, Zahan, Stacey and Alex spoke to the whole-school about the impact of bullying and how we can prevent it from happening at St. Ben's.



## Dates for your diary:

Date:	Event/Activity:
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Girls' Football Team play-off match vs Walton at Strode pitches (3:30pm)
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> and Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Story workshops in Church (during the school day)
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 Nativity at St. Benedict's Church
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Wear your Christmas Jumper to School Day Cutting of the Holy Thorn – Year 6 School Christmas Lunch Christmas Carols Service – pm: at St. Benedict's Church
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Break up for Christmas Holiday
2 <sup>nd</sup> January '24	Return to school after Christmas Holidays.





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**Sunday, November 26th 2pm KO**