

### ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 23rd February 2024

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

# Joffre White inspires young authors

Inspiring author Joffre White paid St. Ben's a visit on Thursday and our pupils loved it!

Joffre talked about his writing and motivated our children to write about their experiences.

His books are for sale for the next week — please contact the office for more info.



#### **Lion King a Roaring Success**

Before half term, Years 3 and 4 enjoyed a special treat as they visited Millfield to watch their performance of Lion King. It was an incredible show which a very excited Lower School really loved. Huge thanks to Chris Carruthers and the Millfield team for making us so welcome and a massive WELL DONE to the awesome cast!



# **Guitar Lessons available**

Our guitar teacher, James Davidson inspired a packed Hall when he played tunes from the movies in Monday's Collective Worship. Mr Davidson has slots available to Teach pupils guitar. Pupils that were interested took home a flyer, but if you would like any further information, please contact the office Via Class Dojo.



| ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS |  |   |  |  |
|-------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| Class:                  | Headteacher's Award                                    |   | Teacher's Award  |  |
| Cats:                   | Na   | hla: being far more resilient in maths  | Isaac: for a fantastic start in Cat class this                                     |  |
|                         | an   | d trying hard with her 5 times tables.  | week!  |  |
| in                      |  | y Pai: for being an independent leopard   | Reggie G: for really impressing us with his  |  |
|                         |  | maths.  | improved resilience to everything.   |  |
| Chameleons:             |  | ish: for an amazing improvement in his riting!  | Mark: superb attitude to his writing! He's really improved his vocabulary choices. |  |
| Owls: Yu                |  | liia: for super presentation peacock in   | Hamish: working so hard and completing   |  |
|                         | all  | her work.   | his work despite his arm being in a sling.   |  |
|                         |  | arlie: for making an excellent start to a   | Solomiia: for being so kind and helpful to   |  |
|                         | _  | w school.   | our new members of Spider Class.   |  |
| Tortoises:              | Sk   | ye: for delightful story writing.   | Eve: for using great vocabulary in her   |  |
| Looparde                |  |   | Golden write.  |  |
| Leopards:               | Precious: for superb focus and determination in maths. |   | Chloe: for consistent effort in her writing  |  |
| Peacocks:               |  | nily: for always trying her best in all that  | and spellings.  Eaden: making excellent connections and                            |  |
| i cacocks.              |  | e does.   | growing in confidence in maths work.   |  |
| -                       |  |   | with 15.7 points per child and they get an   |  |
| Class Dojo              |  | extra break next week. Well done, Spiders!  |  |  |
| <u>Champs</u>           |  |   |  |  |
| <u>Attendance</u>       |  | Our joint attendance champs this week are Owl Class and Peacock Class with            |  |  |
| <b>Champs</b>           |  | 87.5%! Well done, you both get a well-deserved extra break next week.                 |  |  |
| <b>Book Battle</b>      |  | This week the following % of children managed to read 4 x a week at home:             |  |  |
| Champs                  |  | Cat -73 % Unicorn - 81%, Owl - 73%, Chameleon - 64 %                                  |  |  |
|                         |  | Tortoise -76%, Spider - 75%, Leopard - 86%, Peacock - 70%                             |  |  |
|                         |  | Meaning that this week's champs are Leopard class! They top this half term's          |  |  |
|                         |  | leader board!   |  |  |
| <u>Other</u>            |  | Bronze: Elodie, Lauralie, Emilia, Lily Pay, Freddie, Florence and James (Yr3), Yuliia |  |  |
| <u>awards:</u>          |  | (Yr4) and Noah (Yr5). Silver: Gold: Chiyewo (Yr3), and Faye (Yr4)                     |  |  |
|                         |  | Values Award: Honi: for always being kind to others! Amelia-Rose: for being an        |  |  |
|                         |  | amazing pupil. She contributes so much to our class.                                  |  |  |
|                         |  | AR Target: Chiyewo, Bowie (Yr3), and Yuliia (Yr4)                                     |  |  |

# Why Not Join Beavers, Cubs or Scouts

Do you know of a young person who would like to join us? These are awesome groups where you can make friends, learn cool skills, build confidence and have exciting adventures in the great outdoors! We also complete badges! Mini-achievements that show off the things you have learned. We are welcoming new members so please get in touch and join in the fun and adventures of the Scouting world in Glastonbury.

Beavers, Cubs and Scouts meet on a Tuesday night.

For more information, please contact us on 07563 527773

# **HEADTEACHER'S TEA PARTIES**

On Wednesday this week, recipients of Headteacher's Awards over the last half term got a well-deserved treat in the form of a game of dodgeball with Mr Ranger and a drink and tasty treat afterwards. PE coach, Mr Lintell was also on hand to join in the fun. Well done to every pupil that took part – thank you for your hard work!



Headteacher's Tea Party fun and games:

From the top:

Year 3,

Year 5,

Year 6,

Year 4.





#### **COULD YOU BE OUR NEXT GOVERNOR?**

We are incredibly proud of our governors at St. Ben's. They are a wonderful group of people from our local community who care deeply about St. Benedict's and work together to help challenge and support the school and its pupils, parents and staff. We are seeking new governors to join this excellent team. Could you be interested? We'd love to hear from you. Please call or Dojo Mr Ranger or the Office Team if you would like to find out more.

#### WORLD BOOK DAY - celebrated at St. Ben's on FRIDAY 8th MARCH

On Friday 8th March 2024, we will be celebrating World Book Day. The theme this year will be 'vocabulary'. We would like your children to dress up as a 'word'. For example, your child may dress up as 'dazzling' and wear sparkly clothing. They may wear pyjamas and be 'sleepy' or 'fatigued'. They could be 'petrifying' and dress up as a witch. The more ambitious the vocabulary the better!

Please ensure your child has a placard or sticker with their word displayed on their costume. If your child would like to dress up as a traditional book character this is also fine; they should write an adjective (describing word) to describe that character on their placard. For example, if they dressed up as Iron Man they might choose to be the word 'brave' or 'courageous'. For Cinderella, they may choose to be 'magical' or 'resilient'. You could choose a pirate costume for 'treacherous' or a soldier outfit for 'fortitude'.

If you google 'Vocabulary Parade' there are lots of other examples. Please see some examples below:



ELEGANT: to be graceful and stylish in appearance or manner.



Flexible: bend without breaking.



Vivacious: lively and animated.



Incognito: concealing your identity.

We look forward to celebrating the English language and the wonderful books that have been created! Thank you for your continued support.

#### **Dates for your diary:**

| Date:   | Event/Activity:   |  |
|---|---|--|
| Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> and Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>     | Year 6 London Residential                                 |  |
| March   |   |  |
| Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March                      | World Book Day celebrations at St. Ben's – more info next |  |
|   | week.   |  |
| Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> March | Year 5 Residential to Osmington Bay in Dorset             |  |
| Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> March | Science Week  |  |
| Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March                   | Break up for Easter Holidays                              |  |
| Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April                     | Back to School – summer term starts                       |  |
| Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> – Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> May | SATs Week.  |  |

Orchard Vets in Glastonbury are holding an Open Day and Dog Show – perfect for any aspiring vets out there...



