



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 3rd May 2024

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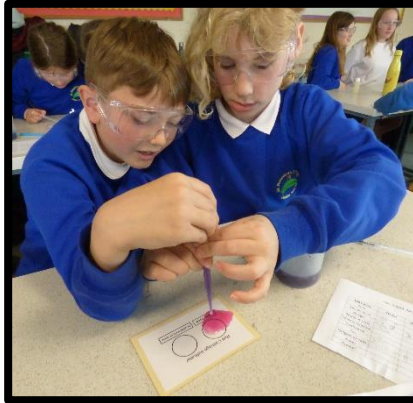
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St. Ben's School Christian Values: *Community, Resilience and Kindness*

Year 5's visit St. Dunstan's

On Wednesday, a group of Year 5 pupils got to visit St. Dunstan's to work on their science skills. They experienced the science labs and developed their knowledge of pH testing. A huge thank you to the St. Dunstan's team for hosting our pupils who loved the trip.



OH SEW GOOD!

Talented Year 5 Amelia showed off her sewing skills in her ELSA session this week creating a fabric dog that impressed Ms Branton and Mr Ranger. Not content with this, multi-talented Amelia also baked up a storm creating cakes to take home! Keep up the great work, Amelia!



NEW ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS

In the light of recent national events, we have been reviewing our safeguarding procedures and will put the following in place from next Tuesday:

In the mornings, between 8:30 and 8:45am, access to school will only be via the back (Proper Job) entrance. This is to ensure that the entrance is staffed at all times. The front of school will be closed. If your child arrives at school after 8:45am, they should come to the front gate and ring the buzzer.

We are also keen to minimise adult access to the school before and after school. Whilst we wish to make parents and carers as welcome as possible, it is impossible to ensure the site is secure if adults are freely accessing the building.

Therefore, if you wish to speak to the office please call or communicate via Class Dojo. If you wish to contact your child's teacher, please see them on the playground at the end of the day, or message them on Class Dojo. Many thanks.

ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Headteacher's Award</u>	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats:	Mya: for always being kind and thinking of others! Thank you, Mya!	Marley: for having a fantastic nurture session and impressing us all!
Unicorns:	Kobi: for improved learning behaviour.	Amelia: for great perseverance in swimming.
Chameleons:	Kara: huge improvement in times tables knowledge and mental arithmetic skills.	Nico: for beautifully detailed art work of a dragon's eye.
Owls:	Jaxon: for super detailed drawing of a snail in science.	Luna-Lily: for superb pencil art drawing of a dragon's eye.
Spiders:	Shahala: for continued kindness and positivity every day.	
Tortoises:	Lilah: for great responses on our science sessions at St Dunstan's.	Eloise: for being a resilient tortoise in maths.
Leopards:	Mya: for a superb attitude to her morning maths!	Leopard Class: for superb attitude and focus to their SATs mocks! Superb!
Peacocks:	Nova: for excellent effort and concentration in all of her learning.	Peacock Class: for superb focus and concentration as part of mock SATs.
<u>Class Dojo Champs</u>	This week's champions are Owl Class with 21.3 points per child and they get an extra break next week. Well done, Owls!	
<u>Attendance Champs</u>	This week's champions are Spider Class with 97.9% and they get an extra break next week. Well done, Spiders!	
<u>Book Battle Champs</u>	This week the following % of children managed to read 4 x a week at home: Cat – 75% Unicorn - 82%, Owl - 82%, Chameleon - 71% Tortoise –69%, Spider – 85%, Leopard - 89%, Peacock - 84% Meaning that this week's champs are Leopard class!	
<u>Other awards:</u>	Learning Behaviour: Bronze: Amber, Barnaby (Yr3), and Viktor (Yr6) Silver: Charlie B (Yr3), Logan B, Ollie, and Aiden (Yr4), Gold: Raphael, and Faye (Yr4), Values' Awards: Mason B: for being such an excellent leader and showing resilience during PE. Manu: for being really resilient in all of his subjects this week – especially maths. ELSA Awards: Mori: for completing ELSA	

Dates for your diary:

Date:	Event/Activity:
Monday 6 th May	Mayday Bank Holiday – School closed
Mon 13 th – Thurs 16 th May	SATs Week.
Fri 24 th May	Break up for half term
W/b 3 rd June	Talent Show – heats in classes – practice your skills over half term!
Fri 14 th June - evening	BenFest – times tbc
Mon 24 th and Tues 25 th June	St. Ben's Euros Football Tournament
Fri 28 th June and Mon 1 st July	INSET days for festival – No school

The BIG Question

Last week's BIG Question was:

If you could ask God any question, what would it be?

This was inspired by Year 3 who have been discussing some very philosophical topics.

Thanks to Flick and Eyed in Year 6 for visiting classes and reporting back on some answers; here are a selection of our favourites...

"Are you real?" Flo, Year 3

"Could you stop world wars?" Willow, Year 4

"Who created you?" Kamil, Year 3

"Do you love us all?" Bessie, Year 6

"Why do we exist?" Ethan, Year 6

"What's it like up there?" Bowie, Year 3

"Where do you go when you die?" Logan, Year 4

"Did you make the world?" Leo, Year 4

"If you could do anything in the world, what would it be?" Eloise, Year 5

"Was Earth the only place Jesus went to?" Harry, Year 6

"Why would you make parasites that make children blind?" Xahli, Year 5

If you had the chance, what would you ask God??

BENFEST – FRIDAY 14th JUNE 2024

Please note the date in your diaries... this year's BenFest will be on Friday 14th June. We would love to see you at our biggest PTFA fundraiser of the year.

There will be music, games and activities and a range of food and drink.

Are you a singer/part of a band or do you know one who may be willing to perform free of charge to support St. Ben's.

We need as much support as possible on the night and in the week leading up to it. Would you like to run a stall/help out or would you like to pay for a pitch to sell your wares? Please let us know.

We will also have a raffle and our famous cake auction – so get planning your culinary master-piece for us to auction off to the highest bidder.

What are you up to?

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

This week, we feature two Year 5's: first, it's awesome Orrin, who has earned his cadet go-kart licence at Haynes Motor Museum – I think we might be looking at the next Verstappen! We also feature Jake who watched Bristol City vs Man City women's Football. Man City won the game 0-4 to go top of the league and Jake got to have post-match photos with some of his heroes. ***What have you been up to out of school? We'd love to feature you on our next newsletter.***

Left: Thumbs up to Orrin who has worked really hard to earn his licence.

Right: Jake has more fun than Bristol City as Man City come to town!



PARENT AND CARER SURVEY

A reminder that our parent and carer annual survey went live on Monday. We'd be very grateful for your feedback on St. Benedict's, to help us learn what we're doing well and what we can improve. The link is: <https://forms.office.com/e/DEisX94kh4>

The survey will be live until next Friday (10th May) at 6pm. Many thanks for taking the time to share your views.



FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH







Jumble
10.00am – 2.00pm
Cash & Card accepted

Refreshments available



Scouts
4th Glastonbury



**4th Glastonbury Scout Hall
Benedict Street
Glastonbury
BA6 9NQ**



ST John's Infants PTA

QUIZ NIGHT

**FRIDAY
10TH MAY**

£5 per person including food

Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start

Teams of up to 6 people

message 07896748294 to book
in a team!

Tor Rugby Club
4 Lowserside Lane
Glastonbury, BA6 9GY