



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 4th October 2024

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

AGENTS OF CHANGE! ST. BEN'S PUPILS STAR IN CNN DOCUMENTARY

In the summer term, St. Ben's played host to a number of tanks housing elvers. This was linked to the Somerset Eel Recovery Project run by Hannah Strode and her team which focused on protecting this endangered species and helping them to overcome the barriers they face. Such was the passion the pupils had for the project, CNN came in to film our Year 3 pupils for a short documentary video entitled, 'Call to Earth'. The video is now live and you can watch it through the following link...

<https://edition.cnn.com/world/video/eels-somerset-uk-school-children-c2e-spc>



Last year's Unicorn Class are the stars of the video, with Rupert and Eris featuring in interviews; we are so proud of the confidence, eloquence and presenting skills of all our pupils.

A huge thank you to our Science Lead, Mrs Anderson, who oversaw the project at St. Ben's and enthused the whole school about the idea of fostering elvers.

CLUBS A SMASH HIT

Clubs are now fully underway, with pupils enjoying a range of after-school activities – this week, we check in on Netball, Choir and Art Club.



YEAR 6 STEM sessions

On Wednesday, members of the Royal Navy visited to put Year 6 through their paces with a number of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) activities. The children were up for the challenge and showed their skills across the curriculum. A huge thank you to our visitors and to Ms Bradshaw for organising the visit.



ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Headteacher's Award</u>	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats:	Joseph: for trying really hard with his handwriting!	Freyja: for making a huge effort with her reading at home!
Unicorns:	Aurora: for contributing some great ideas in an English lesson.	Aivah: for settling in beautifully at St Ben's.
Chameleons:	Roman: for showing kindness towards others and being honest in all situations.	Pippa: for great focus in swimming and superb floating skills this week!
Owls:	Leilani: for a supper well-presented rewrite of 'Fly Eagle Fly' story.	Eloise: for resilience and perseverance in all her work.
Spiders:	Jaxon: for being resilient and asking for help when needed.	Harriet: for making such and an excellent start to Year 5 in a new school.
Tortoises:	Mila: for a brilliant start at St Ben's. It's a pleasure to have you in Tortoise Class!	Bobby: for always working his hardest in all subjects.
Leopards:	Orrin: for better focus towards his learning this week!	Nellie: for being a great team player in the STEM activities!
Peacocks:	Daisy: for epitomising all three of our school values.	Jacob P: for fantastic effort in all of his lessons.
<u>Class Dojo Champs</u>	This week's champions are Owl Class with 22.6 points per child and they get an extra break next week. Well done, Owls!	
<u>Attendance Champs</u>	This week's champions are Leopard Class with 98.5% attendance. Well done Leopards, you get an extra break next week!	
<u>Book Battle Champs</u>	This week the following % of children managed to read 4 x a week at home: Cat – 100% Unicorn - 83% , Owl - 80% , Chameleon - 86 % Tortoise –68% , Spider – 88% , Leopard - 88% , Peacock - 92% Meaning that this week's champs are Cat class with an amazing 100%!	
<u>Values' Award:</u>	Saoirse (Yr3): for being a great role model and a positive member of our community. Harrison (Yr3): for always being super kind and helping others. Mrs Newbury: For showing kindness to a member of our community.	



What are you up to?

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

This week, we feature Year 6 Jasper who Enjoyed an incredible experience last weekend as he got to watch England Men's Cricket Team play against their old rivals Australia in a one-day match at Bristol. Although England lost, Jasper had a great time and even got to meet some of the England team, including captain, Joss Butler (pictured).

INSPIRE WORKSHOPS – HOLD THE DATE

Each year we run Inspire Workshops to give parents/carers the opportunity to come in and work with their child and learn all about the year ahead. We share information and expectations for the year and you will get to tackle a task linked to your child's curriculum.

Please try to join us. All sessions will be in the School Hall. Save the date:

Owl Class: Mon 7th Oct at 9am

Chameleon Class: Fri 11th Oct at 9am

Peacock Class: Wed 16th Oct at 9am

Leopard Class: Thurs 17th Oct at 9am

Spider Class: Wed 23rd Oct at 9am

Tortoise Class: Thurs 24th Oct at 9am

Cat Class: Wed 6th Nov at 2pm

Unicorn Class: Thurs 7th Nov at 2pm

NEW PTFA TEAM COULD IT BE YOU?

We are aiming to create a new PTFA team this year; if you wish to be part of it, please don't miss our PTFA Meeting at 2pm next **Thursday 10th October** (this is a change from the previously advertised 2nd Oct).

GOVERNORS WANTED!

Could you be a governor at St. Benedict's? We have a wonderful team of governors who help to monitor, challenge and oversee the school. Meetings are generally in the early evening (5pm - 7pm) and are engaging and always aimed at helping the school to be the best it can for our pupils. There is always tea and biscuits (and sometimes cake!). It is such a rewarding, enjoyable role that really makes a difference to your community and to our school. Please call the office or Mr Ranger (01458 831811) if you might be interested.

Dates for your diary:

Date:	Event/Activity:
Mon 7 th October at 9am	Owl Class Inspire Workshop
Tues 8 th October: 1 – 3pm	Boys Football Mendip League tournament @ Strode.
Wed 10 th October: 2pm	PTFA Annual General Meeting – all welcome
Fri 11 th October at 9am	Chameleon Class Inspire Workshop
Mon 14th October - am	School photos – please ensure your child comes in uniform
Wed 16 th October at 9am	Peacock Class Inspire Workshop
Thurs 17 th October at 9am	Leopard Class Inspire Workshop
Thurs 17 th October – all day	Year 4 Celt Day (dress up as Celts)
Mon 21 st Oct 3:30 – 5:30pm	Parents' Evening – please sign up for a slot ASAP.
Tues 22 nd Oct 5:30 – 7:30pm	Parents' Evening – please sign up for a slot ASAP.
Wed 23 rd October at 9am	Spider Class Inspire Workshop
Wed 23 rd October: 2pm	Harvest Festival at St. Benedict's Church – parents and carers welcome
Thurs 24 th October at 9am	Tortoise Class Inspire Workshop
Friday 25 th October	Break up for half term
Monday 4 th November	INSET Day: School closed
Tuesday 5 th November	Pupils return to school.
Wed 6 th November at 2pm	Cat Class Inspire Workshop
Thurs 7 th November at 2pm	Unicorn Class Inspire Workshop

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A number of our pupils are performing in this pantomime, written by Matthew Maisey.

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Moorlight Theatre Productions

Performance Dates

Wednesday 11th December - 7pm

Thursday 12th December - 7pm

Friday 13th December - 7pm

Saturday 14th December - 2pm & 7pm

Sunday 15th December - 2pm

Ticket Prices

Adults - £15

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Under 12's - £13

Online bookings -
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Booking Office -
Crispin School, BA16 0AD
Tuesdays between 6.30pm & 8pm