



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 10th October 2025

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

YEAR 4 TRAVEL BACK IN TIME

This week, Year 4 got to time travel as they stepped back in time at the Glastonbury Tribunal. They learned about the building and its history as they were allowed in for a special opening by host Pauline Plant. Year 4 teacher and History Lead, Ms Bradshaw is passionate about local history and has a range of trips and visits planned throughout the school year.



ST BEN'S CAREERS WEEK

Did you know that over 60% of adults were not aware of the job they now do when they were at primary school? We would like to open our pupils' eyes to what jobs are out there and we need your help! **We are running a Careers Week from 30th March – 2nd April 2025 and we'd love you to be part of it** – would you be happy to come in and talk about your job to help inspire our pupils and show them that their skills can help them find the right job for them.

If you might be keen or would like more information, please Dojo Miss Murphy or Mr Ranger who will be organising the week.

**DO YOU HAVE ANY FREE TIME?
WHY NOT VOLUNTEER TO
SUPPORT OUR PUPILS?**



We are incredibly fortunate to have a growing team of brilliant volunteers that come in to hear our pupils read. This is such a valuable role as it helps our children to become more confident, independent readers, which is one of the most important skills that school can offer. Our volunteers report great satisfaction in their role and love the feeling of being part of a team. Why not sign up today – you could be making a difference to a child's life soon!

ST. BENEDICT'S HARVEST FESTIVAL

We hope to see as many parents and carers as possible at next week's Harvest Festival. This will be **on Wednesday 15th October at 1:45pm at St. John's Church**. The new vicar of Glastonbury, Alice Watson will be offering a blessing.

If you wish to make a donation, please bring dried goods (tins and cans etc.) **to school** and we will donate them to local foodbanks.

ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Headteacher's Award</u>	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats:	Reuben: for being resilient in maths and doing a fab job with column addition!	Bronwyn: for impressing me with her fantastic column addition work today!
Unicorns:	Evie: for showing positive learning behaviour in every lesson.	Effie: for working really hard on being independent.
Chameleons	Ben H: for fantastic effort in his poetry writing for National Poetry Day!	Ted: for excellent historical skills and questioning during our trip to the Tribunal.
Owls:	Tristan: for working hard in maths, always completing challenges.	Aurora: super questioning during our trip to the Glastonbury Lake Village Museum.
Spiders:	Tania: helping others in learning and checking in on people during break.	Lauralie: for amazing historic and critical thinking in our study of Mayan Civilization.
Tortoises:	Barnaby: for showing attention effort and care in all his learning.	Freddie: for sharing some of his incredible general knowledge!
Leopards:	Leo: for showcasing excellent mathematical skills.	Reggie T: for always showing kindness to others.
Peacocks:	Kiyo: for thoughtful answers during class discussions in maths.	Sophia: for a lovely diary entry based on our class book.
<u>Class Dojo Champs</u>	This week's champions are Peacock Class with 16.6 points per child and they get an extra break next week. Well done Peacocks!	
<u>Attendance Champs</u>	This week's champions are Owl Class, with 98.3% attendance. Well done Owls, 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 – 64 % , Unicorn - 87 % , Owl - 79% , Chameleon - 97 % , Tortoise – 81% , Spider – 86% , Leopard - 100% , Peacock - 89% Meaning that this week's champs are Leopard class with 100% !	
<u>Values' Award</u>	Lola: for showing kindness and consideration to others. Sadie: for always showing kindness to those who need it.	
<u>Other Awards</u>	Star Awards: Blossom (Yr6): for her excellent attitude to learning. Beehive Awards: Leo & Mia (Yr6): for being role models in the Beehive each morning – helping the Year 3's.	

PARENTS' EVENINGS – BOOK A SLOT!

This term's Parents' Evenings will be on Wed 15th October (3:30 – 4:30pm), Mon 20th October (3:30 – 5:30pm) and Wed 22nd October (5:30 – 7:30pm).

Letters went home last week.

We would like to see you all, so please ensure you book your space!

Please note that there will be no clubs w/b 20th October due to teachers committing time to the Parents' Evenings. **Drama will still happen.**

MASK MAKING WORKSHOP

Thursday 30th October 2 – 4pm

Sleeping Tree Mask Making & Heart Decorating
Children's Samhain Workshop at Yeast Scrapstore
Tree spirit masks and decorated hearts - all materials provided free.

Ages 4+ - Children must be accompanied by an adult.

FREE CAT MICROCHIPPING

The RCPA are offering **free cat microchipping in Glastonbury on 10 Oct 12.45 - 4.30pm at Tor Sports Centre**. This is now a legal requirement, so why not make the most of this offer.

St. Ben's Football Teams launch season

On Tuesday, St. Ben's took two teams to Matchday 1 of the Mendip League season. This saw both teams (the Wasps and the Hornets) play three fixtures. St. Ben's Wasps came away with a win and two draws, with Goodwin, White and Le Vesconte among the goals. Meanwhile, in the other group, the Hornets won two and lost one, with Foote, Sharp, Lewis and Cox on the scoresheet. Every player was a credit to St. Ben's. Both teams will play again in November, when the season continues. Next week sees the turn of our Girls' team.



Both Boys' teams enjoy an excellent start to the season: Hornets left, Wasps right



What are you up to?

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

This week, we feature Harry, Rayan and Teddie, who all took part in the Tor-Rugby mini-festival. We also star Florence in Year 3 who made her debut for the Wessex Witches and we shine a light on Bence, who conquered the Spartan challenge for the third year running, earning him the ultimate trophy, the Trifecta Triange! Well done to all of you!

This week's BIG Question was all about clubs and how beneficial they are in so many ways. If your child is not already part of a club out of school, why not sign them up for one: we'll have a display outside Year 3 focusing on this, so why not bring in any flyers or info about your child's club.



PUPIL PREMIUM – HELPING US TO HELP OUR PUPILS

The Pupil Premium Grant (PPG) is a means tested per pupil payment that helps schools to meet the needs of disadvantaged pupils. In the last few years we have averaged over 75 pupils per year in receipt of the PPG. We have spent this money on interventions, pastoral staffing, subsidising trips and uniform and giving children cultural and social opportunities. If you think you may be eligible, why not apply for the PPG. It is a really quick and simple process and will give your child access to trips, visits and more support. Please contact Mr Ranger or the Office Team on 01458 831811 or via Class Dojo.

Coming soon to a Hall near you...

INSPIRE WORKSHOPS

Each year, we run an Inspire Workshop for each class; this is a chance for parents/carers to come in and spend some time in school with their child while learning about the events, activities and routines of their class and year group.

Please save the date and look out for your invitation:

Thursday 6th November; **1:45 – 2:45pm**: Unicorn Class

Monday 10th November; 9 – 10am: Tortoise Class

Tuesday 11th November; 9 – 10am: Spider Class

Thursday 13th November; 9 – 10am: Peacock Class

Thursday 13th November; **1:45 – 2:45pm**: Cat Class

Friday 14th November; 9 – 10am: Leopard Class

Please try to make it if you can, or send a family member/close friend to work with your child.



'OPEN DOORS AT ORCHARD VETS'

**Saturday 18th October 2025
12pm to 2pm**

Ever wondered what really happens behind the scenes at your local vets? Now's your chance to step inside! 🐾

Come and enjoy:

- Exclusive guided tours of our clinical areas – see where our patients are cared for and where surgery takes place.
- Tasty treats & refreshments (including homemade cakes!)
- Fun activities for all ages



With proceeds supporting Secret World Animal Rescue, West Huntspill.



We're running photo and drawing competitions, and we'd love your entries! Photo theme is 'Autumn tails' and drawing theme is 'Draw your favourite animal'

(age categories apply to drawing competition so please add details and submit your artwork /photos before the event: info@ovg.co.uk or simply pop it into the practice when passing!).

Orchard Vets, Wirrall Park Road, Glastonbury, BA6 9XE – www.ovg.co.uk – 01458 832972



Florin Matasaru

PIANO RECITAL

PIANIST FLORIN MATASARU

7pm Saturday 11th October

St John's Church Glastonbury

Famous Waltzes Preludes Nocturnes

and other masterpieces by

CHOPIN TCHAIKOVSKY DEBUSSY

RACHMANINOFF LISZT



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Tickets : £12 adults £5 children .



DOORS OPEN AT 6.30PM

Refreshments included (drinks and nibbles)



Happy Halloween





Come along and pick your pumpkins fresh from the field by catching the tractor and trailer ride or a special treat for the children riding on the spooky barrel train.



Tractor and train rides all included in the entry.



To book your excursion visit the Website or click on the QR code with your date and time slot you wish to book during October.



FOR BOOKINGS GO TO
www.glastonburyweddingvenue.co.uk/pumpkins

