



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 12th December 2025

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

CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT STARTS THE FESTIVE SEASON

Today, parents, carers and friends joined us at St. John's Church for a wonderful celebration of Christmas, including songs, readings, prayer and even Irish Dancing. The children were magnificent, as ever. Thank you to Mrs Coton for organising and to Miss Greuter for her fabulous work with Glee Club and to Miss Barry for the superb Irish Dancing. Also, huge thanks to Alice, Liz and the team at St. John's for hosting us once again.



CHRISTMAS DINNER

Once again, it's a HUGE thank you to the **Glastonbury Festival team** who funded our whole school Christmas Dinner; this is an incredibly generous donation for which we are all very grateful. Thanks to staff and governors who helped to serve up the festive treat and to Beech Catering who provided such a delicious dinner!



FESTIVE MOVIE NIGHTS

The children have voted and we announced today that the following festive movies will be shown:

Mon 15th December – 3:15 – 5:15pm: Lower School Movie Night screening of *The Grinch*.

Tues 16th December – 3:15 – 5:15pm: Upper School Movie Night screening of *Elf*.

Tickets are £2 and can be purchased via ParentPay. All proceeds towards the PTFA fund-raising effort towards new Astro Turf.

ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

No awards this week due to our Christmas Carol Concert

Book Battle Champs

This week the following % of children managed to read 4 x a week at home:

Cat – 72 %, Unicorn - 83 %, Owl - 89%, Chameleon - 96 %,
Tortoise – 75%, Spider –79 %, Leopard - 96%, Peacock - 100 %
Meaning that this week's champs are Peacock Class with 100%!

This half term's champions are **PEACOCK CLASS!!**

To celebrate, they will get a non-uniform day next Thursday.



DON'T BE HUNGRY!

With the Christmas Holidays fast approaching, we are keen to remind people to use our Food Pantry, which is situated in the School Foyer. Please help yourself and also feel free to recommend any items you would like to see in our pantry. There is food to go round, please stock up...

CONSULTATION ON ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2027-28

From 2027-28, we are planning to add in a new criterion for Admissions Arrangements to St. Benedict's Year 3. This will be to help us prioritise pupils from St. John's. It will read as follows:

Children attending St. John's Infant School, Glastonbury, in Year 2, for a period of a term or more by the closing date for applications (15th January 2027),

We are currently in a period of consultation regarding this. Please see the Policies section of our website to read the proposed Admissions Arrangements document in full.

What are you up to? Dance special!

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

This week, we feature two dancers who have appeared at the South West School of Dance show, Ignite, at Strode Theatre which featured different forms of dance. Year 3 Florence performed Ballet and Musical Theatre and Year 4 Zara performed Ballet. Well done to them both for having the courage and skill to perform so brilliantly.

Also, well done to Year 5 Carmen who has been impressing audiences with her dance skills, performing modern dance and ballet with her Dance company.

Have you achieved something out of school, or do you have a hobby you would like us to shine a light on? Please send Mr Ranger a Dojo message with a photo and a few words explaining what your child has been up to.



WHAT A DRAMA! AFTER SCHOOL CLUB WOWS PARENTS

On Tuesday this week, the wonderful Maxine Ridout and her team of theatrical pupils ended the term on a high with a show to their parents and friends. As well as a performance to the adults, there was the usual chance for some audience participation as Maxine and the children played some games with their visitors. Mr Kelland attended the performance and was incredibly impressed with the confidence and acting ability of the children at Drama Club. And the great news... Maxine has agreed to continue the club after Christmas!



Dates for your diary:

Date:	Event/Activity:
Mon 15 th December	NO CLUBS IN THE LAST WEEK OF TERM: DASH and Ben's will run as usual but No Ben's Den on Friday 19th December.
Mon 15 th December	Lower School Christmas Movie Night – until 5:15pm
Tues 16 th December	Upper School Christmas Movie Night – until 5:15pm
Wed 17 th December	Year 3 Nativity performance to parents: 4pm in the School Hall
Fri 19 th December	Break up for Christmas Holidays
Mon 5 th January 2026	Spring Term begins
NOTE THE DATE: Mon 23rd Feb	INSET Day – School is closed. Pupils will return on Tues 24 th Feb

ATTENDANCE – DID YOU KNOW?

At St. Benedict's, pupils need line up in the playground when the bell goes at 8:45am. If they arrive after the class go in, they are counted as late. **If a pupil arrives after the register closes (9:15am), they are counted as absent for that session. This means that being late could have an impact on your child's punctuality AND attendance.** The Local Authority are now prompting schools to challenge poor attendance and punctuality, so Mr Ranger will contact you if we are concerned about your child's lateness or absence.

STREET CRICKET CLUB JUNIORS CHRISTMAS DISCO

23rd December
6:30pm – 8:30pm
Victoria Club, Street

£4 per ticket
All junior cricketers
and friends welcome

To book: Kerri – 07725 211171
Danielle – 07514 650692



Our very own Elodie from Spider Class is performing at Strode Theatre this weekend. Why not book up your tickets now!



Multi Award
Winning

Moorlight Theatre Productions
presents

SNOW WHITE

Script by Vicky Orman

10th - 14th December

Meyer Theatre, Street, BA16 0YD

A traditional
family pantomime

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