



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 6th February 2026

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

NEW LIBRARY DESIGN

This week's BIG Question was all about the creation of a new library at St. Ben's. English Lead, Miss Murphy, led the Collective Worship the topic and gave the whole school some ideas ahead of introducing the competition to design their dream library. Entries should be A4 size and include your child's name and class. The closing date is Friday 13th February, after which the School Council will meet to select their favourite ideas, from which we will create our final design.



JOIN US FOR CAREERS' WEEK

St. Ben's Careers' Week is happening from 30th March – 2nd April and we are putting a call out for anyone who may wish to join us to talk about their job/career. Are you passionate about your trade/profession?

Would you like to inspire the next generation? If you might be interested in joining us during the week and telling our pupils about the skills needed for your role, please contact Miss Murphy or Mr Ranger via Class Dojo.

SCHOOL NURSE CHAT LINK

Did you know that there is a chat service parents can message if you have any health queries. It's manned by the school nurses, so it's a real medical professional answering all the messages.

Website for info is:

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/send/chathealth-5-19-2/>

NETBALL TEAM LAUNCH SEASON

On Monday this week, St. Ben's Netball team started their season at Strode. Under the watchful eye of coach, Miss Dyer, the team made a red-hot start with a 14-0 demolition of Springmead (4 goals from Kara, 3 from Mila and 7 from Aiden).

Next up were Ashcott and St. Ben's soon found themselves 2-0 down; they showed great resilience, however, to rally, and scores from Blossom (2) and Elijah saw them 3-2 ahead at the break. The second half was an edgy affair as the two sides traded blows with Ashcott easing into a 4-3 lead before Kara levelled. There was still time for more drama as St. Ben's took a 5-4 lead, before they were robbed of the winning goal by some decidedly dubious refereeing.

The match ended 4-4.

In their final competitive match, St. Ben's were in imperious form as they swept aside West Pennard by 7-1, goals from Harriet (1), Kara (2) and Mila (4). Well done to all our players for their exceptional effort and teamwork and thank you to Miss Dyer, Miss Murphy and Miss Doolan for their coaching and Mr Lintell for driving the minibus.



ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Headteacher's Award</u>	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats:	Noah: for being resilient and continuing to improve his handwriting!	Siena: for always giving her all in her work!
Unicorns:	Isobel: working really hard to improve her knowledge of column addition.	Evie: for always working hard and always doing the right thing.
Chameleons	Emilie: always showing a positive attitude to her learning and being prepared to try new things.	Andy Keigan-Nawrocki: for writing a superb adventure story then reading it out as if he were a professional storyteller!
Owls:	Aurora: for being super-creative in art and English.	Raphael: for working studiously and with determination in all subjects.
Spiders:	Kara: for always showing resilience in learning especially in maths.	Penelope: for attention to detail in art.
Tortoises:	Rupert: for having a positive and cheerful attitude in school.	Lily: for showing real interest and hard work in history.
Leopards:	Courtney: for excellent effort in all of her lessons.	Mia: for always trying her best and for being a superstar around the class.
Peacocks:	Sophia: a positive attitude towards her SATs papers this week.	Derek: for always choosing kindness!
<u>Class Dojo Champs</u>	This week's champions are Leopard Class with 10.7 points per child and they get an extra break next week. Well done Leopards!	
<u>Attendance Champs</u>	This week's champions are Spider Class, with 97.3% attendance. Well done Spiders, you get an extra break next week!	
<u>Book Battle Champs</u>	<p>This week the following % of children managed to read 4 x a week at home:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Cat – 84 %, Unicorn - 77 %, Owl - 80%, Chameleon - 97 %, Tortoise – 67%, Spider – 83%, Leopard - 72%, Peacock - 100%</p> <p>Meaning that this week's champs are Peacock class with 100%!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This half term's Champs are Peacock Class and Chameleon Class and they have earned themselves a non-uniform day next Friday (13th Feb). Well done to both classes!</p>	
<u>Values' Award</u>	<p>Ellen: for always being kind and respectful to others.</p> <p>Hamish: for always being a kind, positive and helpful member of Peacock Class.</p>	
<u>Other Awards</u>	<p>Learning Behaviour: Bronze: Seren, Theo, Jasmine S (Yr3), Joseph B, Lexi, Joseph S, Tui (Yr4), Derek, Sadie, Jack C, Tom, Logan G, Mila, Taran, Reggie T, Ralph, Mia, Leo, and Austin (Yr6). Silver: Bethany (Yr4) and Ollie (Yr6)</p>	

VOTE FOR LOCAL BUSINESS

Aimee Lamb (aka Logan's Mum) has been nominated for a Cleaning Industry Client Choice Award, but it is dependent on public votes.

If anyone is up for supporting Aimee, please click on the link below; it will take less than a minute to cast your vote. Thank you for supporting a local business!

<https://www.cleaningindustryawards.com/public-vote>

DON'T FORGET INSET DAY!

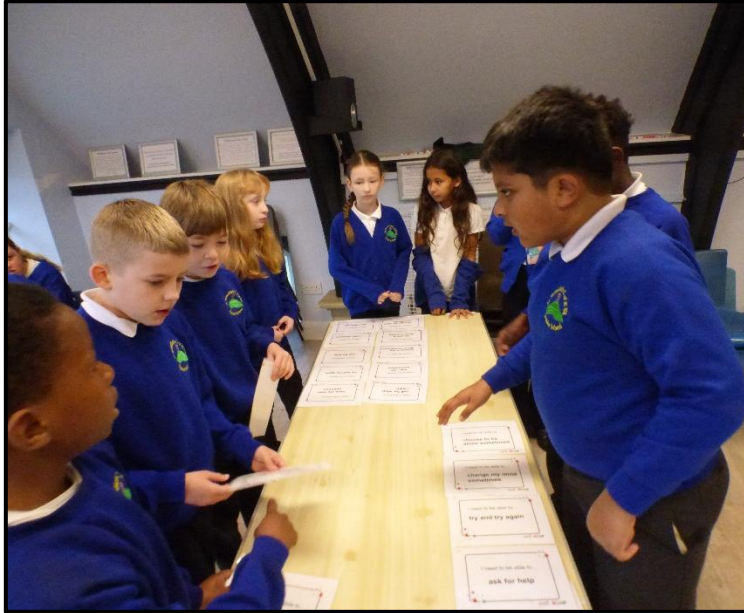
Please remember that Monday 23rd February is a teacher training (INSET) day, so school will not be open to pupils.

Therefore, after half term, all pupils should return to school on Tuesday 24th February.

Many thanks.

SCARF PSHE WORKSHOPS DELIVER LIFE SKILLS

On Wednesday and Thursday this week, we were joined by Katrina from Scarf who delivered PSHE workshops to every class. Year 3' theme was 'Meet the Brain' while Year 4 enjoyed sessions on 'it's Great to be me'. Year 5 had workshops on 'Friends' and Year 6 looked at 'Decisions'. Thank you so much to Katrina for the workshops, they were enjoyed by everyone.



What are you up to?

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

This week, we feature Year 4 Harry, who is very excited to have made the squad for Paulton Rovers! He has been trialling throughout January and has really impressed the coaches with his skill and determination (and goals!). We also salute Year 4 Tabby who started trampolining in September and has already earned her Level 1 and Level 2 awards.

Finally this week, we shine a light on Year 5 Charlie who has an unusual passion – the London Underground! He has a great knowledge of the tube maps and loves to travel on the underground. Charlie is visiting London this weekend! Well done to all of you!



Dates for your diary:

Date:	Event/Activity:
Wed 11 th Feb	Year 3 and Year 4 to Meyer Theatre at Millfield (High School Musical)
Fri 13 th Feb	Break up for Half Term
Mon 23 rd Feb	INSET Day – School is closed. Pupils will return on Tues 24 th Feb
Tues 3 rd – Wed 4 th March	Year 6 London residential
Friday 6 th March	World Book Day at St. Ben's. Library visits on 5 th and 6 th March.
Mon 9 th – Fri 13 th March	Year 5 Osmington Bay residential
18 th , 23 rd and 25 th March	Parents' Evenings
w/b 30 th March	Careers Week
Thursday 2 nd April	Break up for Easter (Good Friday is on 3 rd April)

St John's Infants PTA

QUIZ NIGHT

FRIDAY 6TH FEBRUARY

£5 per person

Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start

Teams of up to 6 people

message 07896 748294 to book in a team!

Tor Rugby Club
4 Lowerside Lane
Glastonbury, BA6 9GY

Plan C Training

Monday evenings at St. Ben's primary.

Martial arts & self defence classes:

**Yoji class for ages 4 to 10
5.15pm**

**Kohai class for ages 10 to 100
6pm**

**Ladies Only Self Defence class
7pm**

Free 2 week trial for all new starters!



Scan this QR code to book your place

Two great activities linked to St. Ben's...

Are you up for some Martial Arts?

Children's and ladies' sessions here at St. Ben's. Contact Phil and Jane at Plan C Training to sign yourselves up.

Below:

The fabulous **Maxine**, who runs our Drama Club, also has an out of school club to inspire young dramatic minds – why not sign your child up...







TAKING - THE - SPACE

THE DRAMA SOCIAL

**A FUN AND FRIENDLY WEEKLY TERM TIME DRAMA CLUB
FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 7 -13YRS
TAKING PLACE IN GLASTONBURY URC
WEDNESDAYS 5.30 PM - 6.30PM**

RE-STARTS FEBRUARY 4TH

**FOR MORE DETAILS GO TO TO
WWW.TAKINGTHESPACE.CO.UK
TAKINGTHESPACE@HOTMAIL.CO.UK**





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Hospital car transport

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- Meet new friends!

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