ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 23rd October 2026

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

HALF TERM ALREADY!

It seems like a few days ago we were returning to school in September and now we've reached half term! Well done to all pupils for their hard work this half term and thanks to parents and carers for their support.

We hope you have a restful break and look forward to seeing you all on Monday 2nd November. Clubs continue as usual when we return.

WE NEED YOU!

We are seeking the following at the moment:

- Governors,
- Builders (to erect lean-to's),
- Volunteer readers to hear children read.

Please call or Dojo the office team or Mr Ranger if you may be interested.

YEAR 6 MEET AUTHOR

On Tuesday this week, Year 6 travelled to Wells to meet author Helen Rutter. The event was organised and funded by the wonderful Wells Festival of Literature team and took place at Cedar Hall. Helen discussed her writing and shared extracts from her books before answering questions about her life and work. After the talk, there was a chance for pupils to buy signed copies of Helen's books (which were subsidised by the Festival team). A huge thank you to Bug McKaig and the fabulous Festival team who continue to ensure our pupils have access to current authors and their work, which is inspiring our next generation of writers.





Dates for your diary

A few highlights for next half term:

Date:	Event/activity
Tues 03/11/26	Peacock Class Inspire Workshop: 9am in the School Hall
Wed 04/11/26	Leopard Class Inspire Workshop: 9am in the School Hall
Wed 04/11/26	Learning to Lead (Y6 group) Royal Navy session
19 and 20/11/26	Bikeability – Y6 group
Thurs 19/11/26	Y4 to the Newt, Somerset
Fri 11/12/26	Christmas Carol Concert at St. John's Church: 1:45pm
Wed 16/12/26	Y3 Nativity in the School Hall (parents and friends' show at 4pm)
Fri 18/12/26	Break up for Christmas Break
Mon 04/01/26	INSET Day: Teacher training – school closed to pupils
Tues 05/01/26	Pupils return to school to start Spring Term

ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

Class:	Headteacher's Award	Teacher's Award
Cats:	Opal: trying really hard in maths with her column addition and subtraction!	Thea: for being a super mathematician this week!
Unicorns:	Elkie: for trying her best in all she does.	Alfie: for working hard to improve his handwriting.
Chameleons:	Isobel: for always attempting everything with positivity and enthusiasm!	Evie: super teamwork during Celt day and for making a beautifully detailed clay pot!
Owls:	Amy: for working her very hardest in all subjects.	Parker: for superb effort in improving handwriting and presentation.
Spiders:	Raul: for a mature and positive attitude to everything he does.	Francis: for improving focus and attitude in class.
Tortoises:	Rupert: for his wonderful descriptive writing and presentation of all his work.	Emilia: for always presenting her work with care and thought, and building her confidence to share ideas in class.
Leopards:	Rupert: for showing a real maturity to his learning and always giving 100%.	Tania: for an outstanding reflection as part of an RE assessment.
Peacocks:	Eloise: for an amazing golden write this week!	Louie: for showing great resilience in the mornings.

Class Dojo Champs	This week's champions are Leopard Class with 21 points per child and they get an extra break next week. Well done, Leopards!
Attendance Champs	This week's champions are Owl Class, with 97.6% attendance. Well done, Owls, you get an extra break next week!
Book Battle Champs	This week the following % of children managed to read 4 x a week at home: Cat – 76 %, Unicorn - 89 %, Owl - 69%, Chameleon - 92%, Spider 86 %, Tortoise 100 %, Leopard 93 %, Peacock 97% Meaning that this week's champs are Tortoise class with 100%.
Values' Awards and Reading Awards	Layton: for thinking of others by offering his jumper to somebody for school photos without being asked! Logan E: for never giving up, showing great determination and resilience in all his work. Accelerated Reader: AR Target: Freddie, Mia, Fatimah, Jayden, Amelia, Imani, Franklin, Diego, Oliver (Yr3) and Bryony (Yr6). Star Pointer: Alfie, Joshua, and Rowan (Yr3)

YEAR 5 CAKE SALE

We have lots of delicious cakes ready for our after-school cake sale in aid of Year 5's Osmington Residential Trip.
Due to the poor weather, this will take place **in the school hall**.

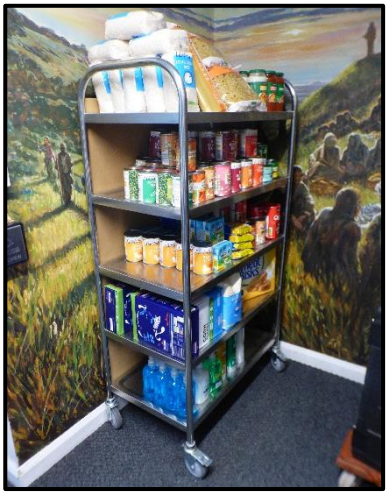
Please note that many of the shop-bought cakes say they 'may contain nuts'. These will be on a separate table. All cakes will have ingredients listed, so if you or your child has any allergies, please read these carefully.

VOLUNTEER READERS

Do you have a few hours available each week? Would you like to help the pupils of St. Benedict's? We have a small team of volunteers that come in to hear children read and we would love welcome more adults. Our aim is to have a volunteer reader for every class (eight classes); we currently have four.
If this is something that might appeal to you, or you'd like more information, please let the office team or Mr Ranger know via Class Dojo or telephone.

SCHOOL FOOD PANTRY

The message at last week's Harvest Festival was that there is enough food to go around, so please don't be hungry. Our Food Pantry is located in our front-door foyer and it is always brimming with stock cupboard items like pasta, rice, sauces and tins. You are all welcome to help yourselves and there is no referral necessary. If you require a bag, please ask the friendly office team. Please let us know if there are items you would like to see in the Food Pantry.



Our food pantry: located in the school foyer - please help yourself!







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23 OCT – 1 NOV 2026

Spooktacular Half-Term

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After Dark in the Museum

Fri30 October

4pm – 7pm

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