



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: Friday 1st October 2021

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St. Ben's School Christian Values for this term: **Community** and **Peace**.

RULERS OF THE FOREST

Pupils in Year 4 got to make their very own crowns and become the rulers of the forest in Forest School sessions this week.

Despite the autumnal chill in the air, we are very keen to get our pupils outside at any given opportunity, so please ensure they have appropriate footwear and a waterproof coat every day.



PFSA WORKSHOPS

Our fabulous Parent and Family Support Adviser (PFSA), Mandy Thorpe, is running two free, one-hour parenting workshops on Thursday mornings here at school. Parents would need to commit to attending both workshops. This is an excellent opportunity to pick up some great parenting tips in a supportive, non-judgemental environment and you'll even get a tea/coffee and a biscuit!

Thursday 14th Oct at 9:15am - Workshop 1 - Possible causes of behaviour problems. - This workshop invites parents to reflect on how children can 'learn' misbehaviour, and how to identify some of the common parenting traps we all fall into.

Thursday 21st Oct at 9:15am - Workshop 2 - Encouraging Desirable Behaviour and Managing Misbehaviour - This workshop offers plenty of tried and tested parenting strategies. Each parent will leave with their own plan to manage at least one behaviour.

Please let us know by Friday 8th October via phone or Class Dojo if you wish to attend and we will reserve a space/s for you.

MEET OUR SCHOOL COUNCIL

This week, each class voted for their school councillors, who will represent their class at school council meetings. Here they are...



CLASS DOJO

Thank you to all parents who have signed up for Class Dojo – please ensure you check every day for updates about your child's learning and information and news about school. A reminder to focus any correspondence on your child's learning and what is happening at school and also that teachers cannot necessarily respond at all times, so if you have an emergency or require a quick response, please call the office on 01458 831811.

ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

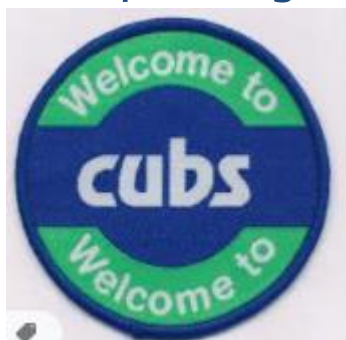
| <u>Class:</u> | <u>Headteacher's Award</u> | <u>Teacher's Award</u> |
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| Cats: Unicorns: Owls: Spiders: Tortoises: Leopards: Peacocks: | Daisy: Beautiful presentation in all work. Indie: Lovely presentation. Monika: Beautiful presentation. Ethan: Trying hard to improve presentation Lilith: Presentation Peacock in all books. Erin: Outstanding presentation in all work Alif: Fantastic Presentation in Maths and English. | Manu: Wonderful handwriting. Owen: Beautiful presentation. Ruby: Super presentation. Brandon: Improved presentation. Toby: Improved presentation. Kyla: Being a Presentation Peacock. Venus: Stunning handwriting in English. Amy: Fantastic effort with her presentation. |
| <u>Class Dojo Points Champs</u> | This week it's LEOPARD CLASS who have won themselves an extra break-time with the best Class Dojo points average! Well done! | |
| <u>Attendance Champions</u> | This week's Attendance Champs are also LEOPARD CLASS with 97.3% attendance this week! Great work, Leopards, you win another extra break! | |

PUPIL PREMIUM PRIZE DRAW

A huge thank you to all parents and carers that completed the Pupil Premium application forms; we have sent these away today so should hear back soon regarding eligibility. Our two prize-winners received a £25 Morrisons' voucher each – they have been informed today!

JOIN OUR CLUB

Anyone keen to join beavers, cubs or scouts can do so by going to the Scout Hut in Benedict Street Thursday 7th of October between 6 and 7pm to register.



PUPIL VOICE

This week... recycling

“Recycling is very important because if we don't recycle we are hurting the earth and creatures.”
Alesha, Year 6

“We could do more recycling at school by making eco-bricks and having plastic bins and food bins.”
Lily, Year 6

“I think that recycling is one of the most important battles the human race is facing.”
Lyla, Year 6

“Recycling is important to me because I want future generations to live in a bright, clean world.”
Venus, Year 6

Focus on Community

One of our school values this term is **Community**. Do you know someone in our community that goes above and beyond? Do you or your child do something to help others in the community? We'd love to hear from you so that we can feature you in our newsletter. Please contact Mr Ranger on Class Dojo or catch him outside.

St. Ben's Sumdog Stars

It has been a scintillating week of maths as the children from St Benedict's have gone head to head with schools from across the county. They have excelled themselves and answered a total of **31,328** questions correctly! Felicity (Peacock), Lannie (Spider), Harry (Owl) and Tilly (Peacock) all finished inside the top 10 overall with many more making it into the top 50! A big well done to all who took part.

CAN YOU LEAVE YOUR CAR AT HOME?

Please consider walking to school or making the journey on a bike or scooter. Not only is this a healthy start to the day for your child, but it will be one less car queuing in the car park!

Why not join our PTFA!

Our fabulous PTFA are back up and running, planning events and activities to raise money to provide opportunities and resources for our pupils. Coming up...

Fri 8th Oct - Hotdog and Hot Chocolate sale in the playground after school.

Wed 13th Oct - AGM at 2pm in the school hall. All welcome: why not come along and get involved – you'll get a tea/coffee and a biscuit, too!

Sat 27th Nov - Frost Fair: please support us! Buy your hotdogs, burgers, bacon rolls and drinks from our stall.

RECYCLE YOUR CRISP PACKETS

We are the area crisp packet recycling centre, so instead of throwing away those empty crisp packets, why not bring them into school and help to save the planet a packet at a time! Our recycling drop-off container is located in the foyer of the front entrance.

Please put your packets in a carrier bag and simply place them in the large bin in the corner of the foyer. For every 1000 packs we send off, we get to make a £10 donation to a charity of the children's choice.

