



# ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 19th November 2021

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

## CLUBS TO RESUME

Our after-school clubs will resume on Monday with certain safety measures in place. Indoor clubs will be restricted to one year group.

Outdoor clubs may be two year groups (e.g. Year 3 and 4 or Year 5 and 6) but different year groups will change in their year group classrooms so that they do not mix indoors. All collection will be from the back gate (Proper Job entrance).

## GIRLS' FOOTBALL TEAM KICK OFF SEASON

St. Benedict's Girls' football team kicked off their season with a 0-0 draw against Ashcott. The St. Ben's team dominated their opponents but could not find the net. Captain Antonello and her fellow midfielders Pope and Elswood impressed with their energy and the defence was as solid as a rock with Teakle marshalling debutants Mheddbi, Hopkins and Ely. In goal, Edwards had little to do but reacted smartly to a late foray from Ashcott. The highlight of an open second half was a sparkling volley from Salter which whizzed just past the post.



## Willow lanterns light up school

Pupils in all year groups have been creating their own willow lanterns in preparation for the winter months. Made of locally sourced willow, the lanterns have been lovingly hand-crafted by the pupils using their excellent Design and Technology skills. A huge thanks you to Diana Greenfield and her team at the Scrapstore for providing the resources for this project.



## Year 5 become healthy lifestyle experts

Year 5 were visited by School Nurse Victoria Carnegie on Friday 19th November. Victoria spoke to the children about healthy living and shocked them with some terrifying facts about how much sugar is in fizzy drinks and energy drinks. Did you know that a small bottle of regular Coke contains 13.5 teaspoons of sugar.

Drinking lots of fizzy drinks leads to rotting teeth and more sugar than your body can process which can affect wellbeing and behaviour.

## ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Headteacher's Award</u>	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats: Unicorns:	Jakob: being a creative Unicorn in English. Orrin: contributing well in English.	Eloise: for being helpful and positive. Jasmine: for being kind and always there for everybody.
Owls:	Felix: independent Leopard writing a superb biography about Boudicca. Florence: independent Leopard writing a superb biography about Boudicca.	Iris: always working hard with a smile on her face. Max: working really hard in all his lessons, making great progress.
Spiders:	Cole: thoughtful and enthusiastic contributions in class.	Fern: for fantastic maths work.
Tortoises:	Toby: fantastic enthusiasm and great work in geography.	Delilah: super formal writing.
Leopards:	Lily: presentation Peacock and making excellent progress with her handwriting.	Felicity: for always trying her best no matter what the tack!
Peacocks:	Freida: being a creative unicorn in English writing a setting description.	Sonny: for organising P.E. equipment.
<u>Class Dojo Points Champs</u>	Last two weeks' points were added together to create super-champs TORTOISE CLASS! Well done, Tortoises, you get an extra break!	
<u>Attendance Champions</u>	Last week's attendance champs with 100% were LEOPARD CLASS. This week's champs with 97.8% were PEACOCK CLASS. Extra breaks for Yr 6!	
<u>Reading Awards</u>	Target Masters: Jemimah, Mason and Olivia (Year 3). Well done, all!	
<u>Behaviour Awards</u>	Well done to Lilu, Ollie and Tyler for achieving their Bronze award!	

## MINI-POLICE START TRAINING

A group of lucky pupils in Year 5 have embarked on this year's Mini-police programme, led by PCSOs Mel Rowlands and Brad Hefferman. This week, the Mini-Police were very excited to receive their uniform. The aim of the Mini-Police is to understand the role of the police in our community. Previous projects have included Dementia awareness, First Aid training, Care Home bingo, a visit to the Custody Cells in Bridgwater and running a road awareness stall at a local Community Day event.

The 18 pupils that make up the class of 2021-22 are very enthusiastic and can't wait to tackle the challenges ahead.

New recruit Lilith said, "I really enjoyed making posters about keeping safe. It is interesting to learn about how the Police take evidence, especially about fingerprints."

PCSO Brad puts the new recruits through their paces on Wednesday...



## WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A PARENT GOVERNOR?

Care about St. Benedict's? Like to have a say in how the school is run? Why not become a parent governor?

If you would like more information on this fulfilling role, why not give Mr Ranger a call on (01458) 831811, or drop him a post on Class Dojo.

## COME AND SEE US AT THE FROST FAYRE

Visiting the Frost Fayre this year?  
Why not come and see us!

This year's Frost Fayre is on 27<sup>th</sup> November and we have a stall outside the school selling burgers, hotdogs and bacon baps.

So when you're feeling peckish, please make our stall your first port of call...  
and tell your friends!

## FROST FAYRE STALLS AVAILABLE

Do you own a local business? Would you like to rent a market stall pitch for the Frost Fayre?

We have two spots in the school car park available to rent for the Frost Fayre on 27<sup>th</sup> November. Please contact Tina Lawford in the school office (01458) 831811 for more details.

## Autumn Update from the School Nurse Team

Hello, our names are Maggie (Mclinden) and Victoria (Carnegie), we're your School Nurse Team. We want your child to be the healthiest they can. We can help with things, like bed wetting, healthy teeth, managing infections, emotional wellbeing, healthy eating and exercise.

We hope you've all had a good half-term break, it's the time of year when there are lots of infections about but there's a lot you can do to help keep your children as healthy as they can be.

- The annual school flu immunisation programme takes place between Oct & Dec co-ordinated by the School Age Immunisation Team (SAINT) at Somerset NHS Foundation Trust, please consider agreeing for your child to take part. [Tel: 0300 323 0032](tel:03003230032).
- To minimise the spread of seasonal bugs, think 'Catch it, Kill it, Bin it' for sneezes and keep up with regular handwashing.
- Please support School manage covid local outbreaks by observing any changes put in place, they're there to keep us all safe.
- If you're worried about your child being ill contact your GP / NHS 111. You can also check out The Spotty Book 2021 produced by NHS England & NHS Improvement SW (online).

If you have a question for us, we have a confidential text messaging service called ChatHealth (text 07480 635515). This is open Mon-Fri 9am-5pm and is staffed by the School Nursing team.

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