



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 4th February 2022

Please see our PTFA Facebook Page

Contact school: sch.164@educ.somerset.gov.uk

Website: stbenedictscofevajuniorschoolglastonbury.co.uk/

St. Ben's School Christian Values for this term: **Hope** and **Compassion**.

COVID UPDATE

We have rising numbers in all year groups, so please err on the side of caution if your child is displaying any symptoms. If in doubt, lateral flow test where possible and contact us with any concerns or questions.

As a result of the current high COVID numbers, we remain in Amber Measures and will retain the same risk measures in place until February half term. Leading up to half term, we will give you an update on our plans for after half term.

A reminder that the current guidance states that you may come out of isolation if you record a negative Lateral Flow Test on Days 5 and 6.

School Run Disruption

Due to sewer work there will be traffic disruption to Benedict Street, Magdalene Street and High Street from Monday 7th Feb – Friday 18th Feb. This may make drop off and collection more challenging so please walk/ride/scooter to school if possible. Also, please allow extra time for your journey.

Lock up at home

It has come to the attention of the Bulletin that there was an attempted break-in at a home in Glastonbury this week. We urge all readers to ensure that doors and windows are locked and that you keep security in mind.

ST BEN'S ROCKS OUT

Friday 4th February saw TT Rockstars Day at St. Benedict's, with pupils and staff dressing as Rockstars as they focused on times tables. There were prizes on offer for the best dressed rockers in each class as well as the most effort shown in times tables work during the day (results on Page 2 and more photos on Page 3).



This is the first year in which the Year 4 Multiplication Check will happen throughout the UK and the expectation is that all pupils know their times' tables by the end of Year 4. If your child does not know their tables, you can help by encouraging them to visit TT Rockstars site to develop their fluency.



ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

| <u>Class:</u> | <u>Headteacher's Award</u> | <u>Teacher's Award</u> |
|---------------------------------|---|---|
| Cats: | Echo: super focus and positivity in learning. | Letticia: greatly improved handwriting. |
| Unicorns: | Jacob: a positive, focused week in school. | Stanley: working hard in maths this week. For never saying 'Never'. |
| Owls: | Mya: independent leopard writing a lovely golden write. Nova: resilient tortoise in maths and working really well in all subjects. | Zahan: for working so diligently in all his work. Sol: working brilliantly in all work, great effort and concentration! Well done! |
| Spiders: | Sofia: being an independent leopard and doing super maths. | Sofia: being an independent leopard and doing super maths. |
| Tortoises: | Anna: a positive and mature attitude to school. | William: dealing with change in a positive way. |
| Leopards: | Aalaa: excellent work in maths answering questions with confidence. | Frieda: such a wonderful attitude to all aspects of school – always! |
| Peacocks: | Tilly: always working hard. | |
| <u>Class Dojo Points Champs</u> | | Owl Class are Champs this week with an average points score of 19 points! Well done Owls, enjoy your extra break. |
| <u>Attendance Champions</u> | | Leopard Class are attendance Champs this week with an attendance of 98.8%. Well done, Leopards! |
| <u>READING AWARDS</u> | | Target masters: Dulcie (Yr 4); Romeo, Toby, Elena, Rosie, Zander, Lannie, Toby, Kyla, Delilah (Year 5). Well done, everyone! Hundred Club: Kyla (Year 5). Millionaires' Club: Freya (Year 5) |
| <u>BEHAVIOUR AWARDS</u> | | Bronze Learning Behaviour Awards this week for Olivia, Stanley and Orrin (Yr 3); Sol, Aimee, Elena, Harry, Lannie and Ava (Yr 5); Erin (Yr 6). Silver Award for Hazel. Well done, all! |

Team Tidball create Lodge as Outdoor Base

In this week's Bulletin we salute two heroes who have transformed our humble pavilion into the incredible 'Lodge', our all-new nurture classroom, which will be used as a base for outdoor learning. The idea was the brainchild of Mrs Tidball, our Learning Mentor, whose passion for wellbeing has led to her prioritising outdoor learning. Mrs Tidball's keen eye for detail is evident in the new design which has a Safari-like feel to it. Mr Tidball, who does as he's told for a quiet life, rapidly turned his hand to painting the Lodge and creating safer steps to the building. A huge thank you to the Tidballs who generously completed the work in their own time. As you can see, our Outdoor Group think the new Lodge is the Bee's Knees!



Boys' Football Team Take on Millfield

On Tuesday evening St. Ben's took two under 10 teams to face Millfield. Both matches were hard-fought with some excellent debut performances from Year 5's Kandel, Millard, Coombes, Fouracres and Roberts and Foote, Austin and Trojanowski of Year 4. On Pitch 1, a high quality performance from Millfield put pressure on a resilient St. Ben's from the outset and they ran out 4-0 winners, despite some excellent football from St. Ben's and Foote and Jagger looking dangerous on the break. The match on Pitch 2 saw St. Ben's take a 3-0 lead with goals from Austin (2) and a delicate chipped finish from a delighted Millard. The goalkeepers on both pitches performed well with impressive saves from Cruwys and Trojanowski. Well done to everyone that represented the school – you did us proud!

The St. Benedict's squad after the match:

From left to right: Back row: Freddie, Ned, Harry, Alex, Noah, Cole and Oz.

Front row: Ethan, Charlie, Felix, Tristan, Toby, Toby and Rhiley.

Not pictured: Mohammed (who left before the photo was taken).



**ST. BEN'S ROCKS...
TT ROCKSTAR FUN**



FAREWELL MISS CATCHPOOL AND GOOD LUCK

This week we wave a fond farewell to Miss Catchpool who is leaving St. Benedict's to pursue her career in residential care. Miss Catchpool has been a wonderful Teaching Assistant and colleague and will be missed by all at St. Benedict's. She has worn many hats at St. Benedict's including ELSA, Ben's Den leader and staff room quiz master and entertainer. Good luck, Miss Catchpool and thanks for being a star!



TT ROCKSTARS ROLL OF HONOUR

| Class | Best dressed | Best attitude to tables |
|----------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Unicorn | Flora | Mason |
| Cat | Echo | Reuben |
| Owl | Mya and Zahan | Luka and Charlotte |
| Tortoise | Amelia | Lucas |
| Spider | Oz | Aimee |
| Leopard | TBC | TBC |
| Peacock | TBC | TBC |

HOT DOG AND HOT CHOC SALE NEXT FRIDAY

After school next Friday, there will be a hot dog and hot chocolate sale in aid of Year 5's Osmington Residential Trip. Unfortunately we can only accept cash and the prices will be:

- Hot dogs - £1.20
- Hot chocolate - £1 (extra 10p for cream, extra 10p for marshmallows (so £1.20 for the full works!))

Dates for your diary:

| Date: | Event/Activity: |
|---|--|
| Tuesday 8 th February | E-Safety Day |
| Wednesday 9 th February | Year 3 and 4 to Millfield Theatre, Street, to watch Moana |
| Friday 11 th February after school | Hotdog and hot choc sale in aid of Year 5 Osmington residential. |
| Thursday 17 th February | Year 6 to SS Great Britain (COVID dependent) |
| Thursday 17 th February | Year 4 to Rural Life Museum |
| Friday 18 th February | Break up for half term (school restarts on Monday 28 th February) |
| Looking ahead: | |
| Mon 14 th – Fri 18 th March | Year 5 Osmington Bay Residential |
| Monday 4 th April | Parents' Evening: 3:30 – 5:30pm |
| Thursday 7 th April | Parents' Evening: 5:30 – 7:30pm |