



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 20th May 2022

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St. Ben's School Christian Values for this term: **Trust and **Forgiveness**.**

Aviation Day inspires young minds

On Tuesday we were visited by some very special guests as we took to the skies for our Aviation Day. The aim is to invite in visitors who can inspire our pupils to aim for different careers. During two sessions, our pupils experienced the cabin of an aeroplane and learned about the airport environment, including eco projects, fire-fighting and other roles inside the airport.

A HUGE thank you to Katie Maddock-Jones for setting up the day and to Kim Lewington and the Fly2Help team. By the time our visitors, Scott, Liv, Tracey, Katie, Anthony and Harry left the building, our pupils were buzzing about aviation and were so excited about flying! See our photo feature on Page 3.



Jubilee Disco tonight!

A reminder that it is our Jubilee Disco tonight from 6pm – 8pm. Please come to the front door to sign in.

In line with the Jubilee, the theme is red, white and blue – we look forward to seeing your outfits! Collection: Lower School: back door
Upper School: front door. In the case of siblings, go to front door if one is upper school.

Parent and Carer Survey results

Thank you to all parents and carers that completed our survey – your views help us to better understand what we are doing well as a school and also how we can improve.

The results:

100% of respondents said that:

- St. Benedict's School keeps their child safe.

99% of respondents said that:

- school supports their child's wellbeing,
- teaching is good at our school,
- the school is well led and managed,
- school helps their child to lead a healthy lifestyle,
- St. Benedict's offers effective pastoral support for pupil wellbeing,
- the school ensures their child is well prepared for their future,
- school communicates effectively through Class Dojo, newsletters and website,
- the school helps their child to have an understanding of their local community and global issues.
- **99% of parents/carers that responded would recommend St. Benedict's to others.**
- 90% of parents/carers feel that the school deals effectively with unacceptable behaviour.
- 89% of respondents said that they were happy with the current homework arrangements.

If you ever have questions or suggestions, please don't wait for the next survey - let Mr Ranger know.

ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Headteacher's Award</u>	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats:	Daisy: Brilliant attitude at swimming!	Archie: For adapting positively to change.
Unicorns:	Solomiia: A fantastic start to St Ben's.	Sammy: For being creative in his learning.
Chameleons:	Gabriella: Being a resilient tortoise with her X tables and a huge improvement on sound check scores!	Louie: For making a huge improvement to his attitude to learning!
Owls:	Bobby: Resilience working on his sound check scores to get full marks.	Alex: Working hard in all work and for always being cheerful.
Spiders:	Oz: Outstanding creative imagery in English.	Rosie: Excellent subtraction of decimals.
Tortoises:	Delilah: Always trying her best in all aspects of school life.	Austen: For super similes and metaphors in a setting description.
Leopards:	Lilu: Writing an exciting story about her graph in Maths.	Oleksii: For an excellent start at St Ben's and showing great skill in football and rounders.
Peacocks:	Frankie: Being a presentation Peacock and taking great care of her work.	Lucas: For showing an excellent attitude in PE.
<u>Class Dojo Points Champs</u>		Leopard Class are Champs this week with an average points score of 26 points! Well done Leopards, enjoy your extra break.
<u>Attendance Champions</u>		Peacock Class are attendance Champs this week with attendance of 98%. Well done, Peacocks, an extra break for you!
<u>Values Award</u>		This week's winners are Monika (for amazing <i>community</i> work – donating her old toys to charity) and Layla (for <i>compassion</i> – showing kindness to children in Code Club by making them feel part of a team).
<u>LEARNING BEHAVIOUR AWARDS</u>		<p>Bronze Awards: Victoria (Year 4); Nathan, Sofia and Eve (Year 3).</p> <p>Silver Award: Bessie, Mya and Sol (Year 4); Skye, Oriella, Archie, Megan M-J and Blaize (Year 3).</p> <p>Gold Award: Coco (Year 4) and Alif (Year 6) Well done, all!</p>

Dates for your diary:

Date:	Event/Activity:
Friday 20 th May	Jubilee themed School Disco – 6 – 8pm
Friday 27 th May	Jubilee Party for all pupils – 1 – 3pm: Red, white and blue theme.
Friday 27 th May	Break up for half term
Monday 6 th June	Return to school after half term
Monday 27 th June	INSET Day
Friday 1 st July	BenFest – an evening of music and entertainment
Friday 22 nd July	Break up for Summer Holidays

Aviation Day a huge success...cont'd from front page



Cricket Workshops hit the mark

On Friday, we welcomed Emily Vickery, Cricket Coach with the Somerset Cricket Foundation, who put our Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils through their paces. Emily was impressed with the talent at St. Benedict's and she is keen for more pupils to sign up to the Dynamos Club (age group Year 4-6). Thanks to Emily and well done to all pupils involved who loved the sessions despite the weather!



What are you up to?

Our regular feature on what our pupils are doing at home.

This week our focus is on some incredible dancers and a runner.

First up, it's **three Year 6 girls, Maryanne, Frankie and India**, who, last Saturday, performed in their dance show, 'Once Upon a Time,' a show full of many versions of dance, from ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical and contemporary. The girls danced brilliantly and had a fabulous time. We can see how happy it made them! Well done girls and keeeeeep dancing! Next, it's **Jake in Year 3** who recently took part in Taunton's Colour Run, a 5K challenge in which runners get powder paint thrown at them!



BenFest: 1st July

Are you a singer or performer? Do you know one? We are looking for acts for our annual fund-raiser, BenFest on Friday 1st July. Please contact Mr Ranger or Mrs Lawford on 01458 831811.