



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 21st January 2022

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

COVID UPDATE

Following the COVID announcement this week we are hoping that we will be able to relax measures soon. We are still following Public Health Somerset guidance for now, though, so we will remain in bubbles with safety measures in place for the week ahead but keep a close eye on Class Dojo as we hope for some positive news on this front very soon.

Once again, thank you for your support and understanding during what has been a very challenging time.

A reminder that under current guidance, if you are isolating with COVID, if you have a negative Lateral Flow Test result on Day 5 and another one on Day 6 of isolation (24 hours apart), you may come out of isolation and return to school/work.

If you are unsure or have any questions, please call/message Mr Ranger.

Many thanks.

Water Bottles: a reminder

A reminder that we encourage all children to bring a water bottle to school and that their bottles contain water not juice. Water is wonderful stuff – it keeps us hydrated and contains no sugar. If we are aware that bottles contain anything other than water, we will contact parents to clarify the school position on this.

CLUBS A HUGE HIT



Spring Term Clubs started this week and it has been wonderful to see the children express themselves and showcase their talents both indoors and out. Some of the highlights this week have been the return of Drama Club (see photo above), a chilly start to Gardening Club and Chess Club (see photo below). It is great to see so many pupils participating in extra-curricular clubs, but if you haven't signed up yet, it's not too late – please ask your teacher how to get involved...



ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Headteacher's Award</u>	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats: Unicorns: Owls: Spiders: Tortoises: Leopards: Peacocks:	Reuben: Independent Leopard in Maths. Luna: Working hard to improve writing. Brandon: Team Bee in class discussions. Layla: Resilience and trying hard in all work. Charlie: Being fantastic! Kind, conscientious and hard working. Leo C: Working hard to improve his writing. Lilu: An amazing attitude to all learning. Alesha: Being a Spider Mathematician and making great connections in her learning.	Daisy: Fantastic learning behaviour. Isabelle: Following school rules, being helpful and being a kind friend. Ethan: Working hard for his ticks. Bobby: Resilience and great handwriting. Belle-Blossom: Trying hard, making amazing progress and being a delight! Aaron: Hard work in handwriting. Erin: Fantastic work in Maths. Kaelan: Excellent effort in PE.
<u>Class Dojo Points Champs</u>	Leopard Class are Champs this week with an average points score of 21.9! Well done Leopards, enjoy your extra break.	
<u>Attendance Champions</u>	Peacock Class are Champs this week with an attendance of 99.6%. Well done Peacocks, enjoy your extra break.	
<u>READING AWARDS</u>	Target Masters: Jessica (Year 3).	
<u>BEHAVIOUR AWARDS</u>	Bronze Learning Behaviour Awards this week for Florence, Mia and Holly (Y4); Aaron, William, Noah, Sophie (Y5); Layla, Dylan, Sonny, Isabelle, Felicity, Max, Harrison, Lucas, Bobby and Amy (Y6). Silver Award for Ena (Y6).	

TT Rockstars Challenge results

This week our Maths Lead Mr Kelland challenged all pupils at St. Ben's to rock out with TT Rockstars competitions between Year 3 and Year 4 and classes in Years 5 and 6 going head to head. Please see below for the Most Valuable Players (MVPs) in each year group – these are the top-scoring pupils! Great work everyone and thank you to Mr Kelland for organising the challenge

Class/Year	1 st MVP	2 nd MVP	3 rd MVP
Year 3	Jake	Owen	Eloise
Year 4	Harry	Ethan	Eli
Tortoise Class	Grace	Lilith-Anna	Delilah-Dixie
Spider Class	Oz	Mohammed	Aimee
Peacock Class	Safiye	Tilly	Henry
Leopard Class	Sonny	Aalaa	Nina

Please see below for details of our TT Rockstars Day (Friday 4th Feb) – this is a chance to dress as a Rockstar and rock out for the day, with different maths challenges happening.



PASTORAL CARE AT ST. BEN'S

Mental Health and Wellbeing @ St. Ben's

Learning Mentor, Mrs Tidball, writes...

At St Benedict's School mental health and wellbeing is a high priority. We understand the importance of positive mental health for all our children.

We recognise that children's emotional health and wellbeing is just as important as their physical health. We support our children to be resilient and to develop the skills they need to cope with change, setbacks and anything else life has in store.

We support positive mental health through sheltered starts in the mornings, Nurture groups and Forest school as well as one to one sessions, school councillor, art therapist and ELSA sessions.

Our Mental Health Lead in school is Mrs Newbury; to discuss anything further please contact her via Class Dojo.



BOYS' FOOTBALL TEAM 2-1 WIN!



Report by Elliot, Henry and Alif

On Tuesday 11th January, St. Benedict's Boys' Football Team had a dramatic 2-1 win against a very strong Ashcott side. The boys had a great game starting off with the first goal early in the match by Moon, shooting from distance with amazing finesse. With superb keeper Wardle in fine form as the captain for the day, the team were surely going to be victorious until a spectacular individual dribble from an Ashcott winger snuck a goal in the bottom right corner. After half time the boys were determined to win and with good skills and passing they were making their way further up the pitch and with a great cross from Tanzil, Moon struck it into the back of the net but sadly it was disallowed as the ball went out earlier on. The boys were disappointed about the goal but they kept their heads up and were rewarded in the last minute of the game with a goal from close to the half way line by Selby that won the match. The boys played the best they ever had and because of their hope and determination they played an amazing game.

PUPIL VOICE: This week's topic is SCHOOL CLUBS, **Your roving reporters are Ena, Venus and Lilu**

With lots of clubs on offer this week, we asked children from all year groups what they had enjoyed. Here's what they said:

Indie Yr 3- gardening and art are really fun!

Hartley yr 3- I like art because I can make lots of different things

Nova yr 4- really nice and you can learn how to speak up

Harry yr 4- I love creating games and coding will be important in my future

Coco yr 4- I like it because I get to spend time with nature

Fern yr 5- I have just started football club

Mo Yr 5 – multi skills teaches good sportsmanship

Frankie Yr 5 – I like singing in choir.

Aaron yr 5- I'm Spanish, and I want to be able to speak better Spanish

Max yr 6- it's a good hobby for weekends

Lucas yr 6- I like acting in drama

Faith yr 6- girls football club gives girls a chance

Pear yr 6- multi skills is really fun as you get to do lots of different sports

Tyler and Fay yr 6-Football is a great place to burn off energy

For the first time in a year, Netball matches vs other schools are about to re-start. Good luck to our team who are:

Amy, Izzy M, Kaya, Ena, Ed and Venus.



TT Rockstars Day returns – Friday 4th Feb



As part of our commitment to make maths exciting and high profile in our school, we are taking part in a friendly competition involving schools in the UK for NSPCC Number Day on Friday the 4th of February. It's all done online via play.ttrockstars.com. To add to the excitement, we are encouraging all children and staff to come to school dressed as a rock star. We ask for a voluntary donation of £1 which will be used for events and activities for the children.