



# ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 20th Oct 2022

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

## INSPIRING AUTHOR VISITS YEAR 6

On Wednesday this week, Year 6 were paid a visit by an inspiring author, in the form of Dan Smith. The Year 6's were joined in the workshop by other local schools who got to learn all about the craft of writing. Dan was on hand afterwards to sign copies of his books.

Mr Ranger is now working on a writing competition based on Dan's visit!

A huge thank you to Bug McKaig and the wonderful Wells Festival of Literature team for funding Dan's visit and for being so passionate about all things book-based; they also donated a selection of books to our voracious readers!



## DON'T FORGET!

Don't forget that tomorrow (Friday 21st October) is an INSET Day, so school is closed to pupils. We will re-open after half term on Monday 31st October.

## BOYS' FOOTBALL TEAM SCORE A DOZEN!

### St. Ben's 12 Catcott 1

On Monday this week, as Parents' Evenings got underway, St. Ben's Boys' team were hard at work at Strode. Having won their first game 8-2, the players were in confident form and they got off to a flying start with five first half goals; four from the irrepressible Jagger and one from midfield maestro Moon. The second half saw an onslaught with a further eight goals including four more from Moon, two for Barrett and one for Kandel. Catcott replied with a consolation, but at 12-1, the St. Ben's team ran out clear winners and now prepare for their final league match vs Brookside, in which a win will result in being League 1 Champs. The play-offs will follow... Huge thanks to Mr Lintell and Miss Skinner for accompanying the team. As a Spurs fan, it was great for Miss Skinner to see some quality football and a few goals.



**Back Row from left:** Coombes, Barrett, Austin, Fouracres, Key, Tanzil

**Front row:** Chapman, Moon, Jagger, Kandel



## MUSICAL MAGIC AS YEAR GROUPS ENTERTAIN ONE ANOTHER

On Wednesday morning the whole school came together in a celebration of song as each year group showcased the work they have been doing in music lessons. As well as each year group, there was also an opportunity for the Choir and Glee Club to perform. The children's singing, including examples of rounds and echoes, was superb and really demonstrated the hard work going into our music curriculum. Mrs Coton, who organised the event, is planning to have a similar showcase every half term.



## Year 3 create Stone Age Homes

Year 3 have been focusing on the Stone Age in their lessons and this week they were challenged to create Stone Age dwellings (homes) from the kind of natural materials our ancestors had (clay/sticks/stone). I'm sure you'll agree that not only were Year 3 creative Unicorns, but they also gave their homes some stylish curb-appeal! Well done Year 3! *(The Bulletin is not sure who enjoyed the task more, the pupils or Miss Greuter!)*





## Dates for your diary:

Date:	Event/Activity:
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	<b>INSET Day: School closed to pupils.</b>
During Half Term	<b>Don't forget we have a Half Term Club here at St. Benedict's; it will run every day from 10am – 3pm. For more information, or to book your child a space, please contact TLE at <a href="http://tlesportscoaching.co.uk">tlesportscoaching.co.uk</a> or call 01458 210799</b>
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Return to school after half term
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	School photos – <b>please make sure your child comes to school in their uniform (bring in PE kit in a bag if it's PE day).</b>

## PARENTS' EVENINGS A SUCCESS

Thank you to all the parents and carers that came in for Parents' Evening – it was so lovely to share with you your children's adventures and progress at St. Benedict's. If you weren't able to book up a slot we are still very keen to see you, so please contact your child's teacher via Class Dojo to book up an appointment. Huge thanks, too, to our wonderful governors who volunteered their time to come in and make teas and coffees and meet parents; our Chair of Governors, Jo Boughen Hunt, Vice Chair, Bill Burrow, Staff Governor, Jane Daniels, and Clerk to the Governors, Tina Lawford, were all on hand to greet parents as they came in.



**Jo and Bill greet parents and carers with a hot drink and a smile**

## Fantastic Half Term activities at Wells Cathedral



**GAIA has landed at Wells Cathedral!** And we're delighted to be offering some exciting activities for families over the **October break.**



Come and see Luke Jerram's touring artwork – a 7 metre model of the earth as it looks from space!

You can pick up a free **Earth Explorer Trail leaflet** which takes you on a tour of the Cathedral whilst picking up tips on how to become a Steward of the Earth.

Book onto a **felting workshop** where children can make their own mini-Gaia as a beautiful souvenir of their visit. [Available to book here](#)

For further information, visit <https://www.wellscathedral.org.uk/cathedral-events/gaia/>

## Scouting for a new Club?





4th Glastonbury Scout group are keen to invite new members, Beavers from age of 6 meet at the Scout hut Thursdays 5. 30pm - 6. 45pm. Cubs From age of 8 meet at Scout hut Thursdays 7pm - 8pm and Scouts from age of 10. 5 meet on Wednesdays 7pm -8pm for fun, friendships, confidence building and new skills. If you are interested our email address is:  
info@glastonbury.org.

## **Local Opera Singer entertains: FREE show at St. John's Church**

Mezzo-soprano and parent at St. Ben's Ester Kosar is putting on a show at St. John's Church on Thursday 27th October at 1pm and you can attend FREE of charge. Why not introduce your child to a bit of opera – it could change their life!

French opera arias  
Elgar Sea Pictures  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022, 1pm  
Lunchtime recital

Ester Kosar  
Mezzo-soprano

Matthew Redman  
Piano

Bizet: Carmen arias  
Saint-Saëns: Delilah arias  
Edward Elgar: Sea Pictures

St John the Baptist's Church  
High St, Glastonbury BA6 9DR  
Lunch time concert - Free entry  
Donations welcome

For more information contact the performer & teacher  
Ester: ester.kosar@gmail.com

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL BEGINS**

Our all-new school council met for the first time on Thursday. Elected by their peers, there are two pupils representing each class and they will be helping Mr Ranger to make important decisions about what happens in school. At today's meeting, they discussed new school values and what kind of a reward there should be for the winning class of our 'Book Battle', a weekly reading challenge starting after half term. Mr Ranger was very impressed with their confidence and presentation skills.



## **JOIN OUR CLUB**

We are creating a new display on our outdoor display board (outside Year 3), all about out of school clubs and we need your help. Does your child attend a club out of school – circus skills, football, rugby, drama, singing, dance, cubs, brownies, scouts? We'd love to hear about it and try to attract other pupils to attend!

All you need to do is get us a poster/flyer for the club and we'll be happy to advertise your club and help you attract new members.

Please let Mr Ranger know – ideally an A4 poster would be best to catch the eye!