



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 4th November 2022

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

THE BIG QUESTION

This week's BIG Question was all about super-heroes; in Collective Worship, we discussed day-to-day super heroes such as nurses, doctors, parents and other inspirational people. Children were tasked with becoming the newest Avenger, selecting their super ability and saying what they would do with it. Here are some of our favourite responses:

Lily H, Year 6, said she would like the power to restore senses to people who have lost them.

Eaden in Year 5 said she would like the power to breathe underwater so that could clean the seas of pollution.

Jake in Year 4 would like the power of 'super-speed' to help him win football matches.

Nellie in Year 3 would have the power to teleport so that she could go anywhere she wanted.

SNACKS AND LUNCHES – A REMINDER

A reminder that pupils' break-time snacks must be fruit or vegetables – ideally in their raw state rather than packaged.

We have seen a lot of sweets in school at lunchtime this week – a reminder that as part of our healthy eating approach, pupils should be eating a balanced lunch, so please minimise the sugary food/chocolate and try to ensure you pack some fruit in their lunch box to complement their sandwich/main lunch. Many thanks.

GIRLS' SEASON KICKS OFF

On Tuesday this week, the St. Ben's Girls' football team finally got their season underway with a confident 2 – 0 win over local rivals Elmhurst. This was a long-awaited fixture after their first two matches were postponed. The girls were on brilliant form with keeper AM keeping everything out behind the solid defensive unit of player of the match, Pizlo and Foucher. In midfield, the energetic trio of captain Hembury, hardworking Harrison-Lowndes and skilful Newton were ably supported by Warren and Hopkins with Iglesias providing a goal threat throughout. The second half goals came from Harrison-Lowndes and Iglesias. Next up, the Girls' team take on Brookside, next Tuesday, with the Boys' team facing Brookside at the same time.



BACK GATE CLOSES AT 8:45am

A reminder that the back closes at 8:45am each day, so please ensure your child is in school before this. Would all parents/carers ensure they have left school by 8:45am to allow teachers to start the school day.

ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Headteacher's Award</u>	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats:	Logan G: always being ready to learn!	Jack P: asking really creative questions during our PSHE session!
Unicorns:	Eden: amazing team work in Active Maths.	Isaac: for always being willing to give things a go.
Chameleons:	Reuben: making super connections and answering questions with great enthusiasm.	Oriella: for her kindness and patience helping a friend.
Owls:	Jacob P: Resilient Tortoise in Maths, subtraction with exchanges.	Jemimah: working hard and being a kind friend.
Spiders:	Zahan: being full of enthusiasm for our Geography topic!	Florence: excellent understanding of our new literacy text.
Tortoises:	Louie: being a Spider and Tortoise in Maths this week.	Iris: for a positive attitude to all her work this week.
Leopards:	Penelope: an excellent focused attitude – Independent Leopard.	Leo C: for good focus this week.
Peacocks:	Ava: being a Presentation Peacock and for taking great care with her handwriting.	Zander: for putting lots of effort into his handwriting.
<u>Dojo Points Champs</u>		Spider Class were this week's winning class with an average of over 28 Dojo points each. They win an extra break! Well done, Spiders!
<u>Attendance Champs</u>		Owls scoop the attendance award AGAIN this week with 96.5% attendance. They win an extra break! Great work, Owls!
<u>Other Awards</u>		Target Masters for: Spencer, Jack C, Logan G, Thomas, Kara, Ralph, Elijah, Charlie L, Leo, Ollie, Aliya, Freya C, Caspar and Austin. Bronze Learning Awards for: Toby Mo, Delilah, Acacia, Lilith, Kyla, Lily M, Rhiley and Amelia. Busy Bee Awards for Lucas M, Charlie, Nico and Rhiley – well done, lads!

LET THE BOOK BATTLE BEGIN!

English Lead, Mrs Brown, has a new challenge for all pupils; she writes...

Next week will be the beginning of our epic 2022-2023 BOOK BATTLE.

This is a focus on children reading five times every week. Classes will compete with each other. The class with the highest percentage of children achieving the target of reading five times a week will receive a certificate in Praise Assembly and an extra break the following week. The winning class overall each half term will win themselves a non-uniform day.

Children must make sure an adult writes in their reading record after reading to them. Please support your child in this competition.

Let Battle Commence!

Parents and Carers Coffee and Chat: Wed 9th November

We will be hosting our first Parents and Carers coffee and chat morning next week and we would love you to join us. It will be in the school Hall from 9am – 10am and will be very informal. Come and join Mr Ranger, Ms Kirby and other parents and carers for a hot drink and the opportunity to chat to like-minded parents, or just a chance to sit down for an hour in your otherwise busy day. Oh, and there will be biscuits!

Dates for your diary:

Date:	Event/Activity:
Wed 9 th November	Year 4 trip to Caerleon
Wed 9 th November	9 – 10 am: Coffee and Chat – all parents and carers welcome to join Mr Ranger and Ms Kirby in the School Hall
Mon 5 th December	Choir to sing at Wells Cathedral – time tbc
Fri 9 th December	Christmas Carol Service at St. Benedict's Church – pm.
Tues 13 th December	Year 3 Christmas Nativity Play at St. Benedict's Church
Wed 14 th December	Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch
Friday 16 th December	Class Christmas parties and break up for Christmas Holidays.
Tuesday 3 rd January	Return to school after holidays

What are you up to?

Our weekly focus on what our wonderful pupils are getting up to out of school. This week we celebrate Toby in Year 6 who has been awarded the coveted 'Player of the Season' award for Glastonbury Cricket Club's under 10 team. Toby and his team-mates endured a tough season with only one home match, but resilient Toby emerged as their MVP! Toby says his favourite part of cricket is bowling. A huge well done, Toby! If you have done something you are proud of outside of school that you want to share, please let Mr Ranger know, either at school or via Class Dojo.



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!