



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 10th March 2023

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St. Ben's School Christian Values: Community, Resilience and Kindness

MINI-POLICE LEARN ABOUT DEMENTIA

This week our Year 5 Mini-Police cadets got to learn about dementia as part of the Mini-Police programme. The scheme aims to help children to better understand the community they live in and to empathise with the experiences and challenges of the people within it.

The children are keen to use their new knowledge and understanding by visiting the St. Benedict's Care Home where they hope to run a bingo session. As ever, huge thanks to Katie Moyse and the Mini-Police team.



As Lent continues, Phil and Jack were joined by Dave the Donkey in this week's Collective Worship...



YEAR 5 SPEND TIME AT ST. DUNSTAN'S

On Thursday afternoon, Year 5 visited St. Dunstan's for a taste of life at secondary school. They enjoyed English and Drama sessions and came back to school buzzing!



FOOD AND FUN SESSIONS

This half term a group of lucky Year 6's have the opportunity to invite their parents along to the Bee Hive for some Food and Fun sessions, which are being run by the County's Health Team.

Headed up by the enthusiastic, energetic Victoria Carnegie, the sessions are aimed at equipping our pupils with the food skills and knowledge they need to thrive. This week saw the second session of six.



ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Head's Award</u>	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats:	Reggie N: Having a great attitude and being resilient during his reading test.	Darcie: For getting involved more during class discussions! Well done Darcie!
Unicorns:	Leo: Being super helpful this week.	Charlie L: For an improved attitude to school.
Chameleons:	Blaize: Excellent understanding of fractions.	Letty: Always smiling, always happy and helpful, always working hard.
Owls:	Cattleya: Super presentation in all her work especially maths.	Flora: Always working hard and being a kind friend.
Spiders:	Bessie: Improvement in her presentation.	Nova: Excellent improvement in her maths assessment.
Tortoises:	Harry: Great participation and working with children from other schools.	Louie: A new, positive attitude to his work.
Leopards:	Frankie: For an improving positive attitude in class.	William: Improving presentation in his maths book. Well done!
Peacocks:	Sofia: A wonderful attitude towards her learning.	Ava: For a positive attitude towards her learning.
<u>Dojo Points Champs</u>	Leopard Class were this week's winning class with an average of 25.5 Dojo points each. They win an extra break! Well done, Leopards!	
<u>Attendance Champs</u>	Owl Class scoop the attendance award this week with an impressive 99.6% attendance. They win an extra break! Great work, Owls!	
<u>Values Award</u>	Nellie (Y3) for always showing kindness and Willow (Y3) for being a kind friend.	
<u>Book Battle Champs</u>	This week the following % of children managed to read 5 x a week at home: Cat - 47%, Unicorn - 61%, Owl - 75%, Chameleon - 71% Tortoise - 59%, Spider - 64%, Leopard - 70%, Peacock - 48% Meaning that this week's champs are Owl Class and they go joint top of the leader-board for this half term! Well done, Owls!	
<u>Learning Awards</u>	Bronze Award: Kara (Y3); Fern (Y6) and Lucian (Y5) Silver Award: Reggie N, Courtney, Blossom, Reggie T, Sophia, Elijah, Taran (Y3); Oliver (Y4); Dulcie, Eaden and Holly (Y5).	
<u>Reading Awards</u>	Target Master: Elijah (Y3). Star Pointers: Chester, Finley, Max, Arthur and Gabriella (Y5). Well done to Nova who becomes our latest Millionaire!	

PARENTS' EVENINGS – PLEASE SIGN UP!

This term's parents' evenings will be on Monday 20th March (3:30 – 5:30pm) and Wednesday 22nd March (5:30 – 7:30pm). Thank you to those parents and carers who have already signed up for a slot; if you haven't, please hand in your slip next week. Teachers will be contacting those parents and carers who do not have a slot as we are keen for everyone to attend and discuss their child's progress.

Quiz and Pudding Night: Wed 26th April

Are you a quizzzy rascal? Why not get along to our PTFA Quiz and Pudding night on Wed 26th April.

Book your team in now and let the games begin!

£5 per person, teams of up to six quizzers! Puddings included. There will be a bar and soft drinks available.

BON VOYAGE, YEAR 5!

Next week, Year 5 head off to Dorset for their Osmington Bay residential. We will miss you, Year 5, but good luck and have a blast!



What are you up to?

Our weekly focus on what our wonderful pupils are getting up to out of school. This week, Year 4 Nathan has impressed by earning his level 5 trampolining award – well done, Nathan!

Meanwhile, Year 5 Zahan proved to be Captain Fantastic when he was the skipper for Street FC the weekend before last. Zahan put in a leader's performance scoring a hatrick!

Alex, also in Year 5, had an experience to remember last weekend when his awesome swimming skills won him five medals at the Wells Swimming Club meet where he got to meet Olympic legend Jazmin Carlin! Great work everyone!



What have you been up to? Send Mr Ranger a Class Dojo message or contact your child's teacher. You could be the star of next week's newsletter!

PLEASE DON'T BE HUNGRY...

Miranda and Liz and the team at the Community Fridge want you to know that there is always food to be had in Glastonbury, so please don't go hungry this year. See below...

How can I access help?
No referrals are needed - just come along



Can't come in person?
Contact us on Facebook for a delivery

COMMUNITY FRIDGE



Fresh food available to all

Open 9am-4pm every day

Restocked daily

Located in front of the town hall

Please only take what you need



COMMUNITY PANTRY

Long-life food if you are in food crisis

Open 1-3, Tuesday and Thursday

Choose up to ten items

Voluntary donation £2.50

End of Abbey Mews, Silver Street side

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Registered Charity Number: 1198035

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR BENFEST?

Do you have your own business? Would you like to advertise your services at our biggest fundraising event of the year? Why not contact us regarding sponsorship of BenFest? You could sponsor the whole event, the Talent Show acts, the food tent or even the drinks' tent?

Are you full of energy? Why not enter this summer's Mendip TRC Junior Triathlon at Millfield in August. See below for details...



PARKING: POLITE REQUEST

When collecting children from the Proper Job entrance, please do not park in front of the West Park or Auto Electricals workshops; it makes it difficult and potentially dangerous for them to do their job. Many thanks.

CAN YOU HELP WITH FUND-RAISING?

We are keen to raise funds to update and enlarge our popular but tiny astro-turf pitch. We have been quoted at least £25,000 to do this which will take us years to raise. Our current pitch will soon no longer be fit for purpose! Can you help or do you know anyone else that can?

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Please be aware that we are following the latest government guidance on attendance and therefore we are unable to authorise any absence other than for illness and exceptional circumstances e.g. funerals. If parents/carers choose to take their children on holiday during term time, this will not be authorised and you may be subject to a fine. We are passionate about our pupils receiving their full education and recognise pupils that achieve 100% attendance over the school year. If you have any questions, please contact Mr Ranger via Class Dojo or on (01458) 831811.

Dates for your diary:

Date:	Event/Activity:
Mon 13 th March	Year 3 and 4 Boys' Football Team to Millfield
Tues 14 th March	Netball Match
13 th – 17 th March	Year 5 to Osmington Bay (residential trip)
Mon 20 th March	Parents' Evening (3:30 – 5:30pm)
Wed 22 nd March	Parents' Evening (5:30 – 7:30pm)
Thurs 23 rd March	Mini-Police trip to Wilfred Fuller Mounted Horse Section, Clevedon
Wed 29 th March	Production Club presents Oliver!
Fri 31 st March	Break up for Easter Holidays
Monday 17 th April	Return to school