

ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 24th March 2023

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AWESOME OSMINGTON – YEAR 5 HAVE FUN IN DORSET

Last week, Year 5 had a week to remember as they took on a multitude of challenges at Osmington Bay. The residential lasted all week and included a range of activities such as 'The Swing', 'The Zip Wire', Fencing, Archery and Rifle Shooting, as well as evening excitement in the form of campfires, Cluedo and Ambush! An exhausted Year 5 (and staff!) returned to school on Friday 17th March with lots of stories to tell! Well done, all; it was a week to remember!



		ACHIEVEMENTS a	nd AWARDS	
Class:		Head's Award	Teacher's Award	
Cats:		as: his great attitude to learning for last few weeks! Great week!	Faye: for working really hard on her maths sheets each day!	
Unicorns:	-	hael: amazing engagement in all of learning.	Bobby: for settling into St Ben's so well.	
Chameleons:		h: such a great attitude to her school k and much improved presentation!	Sofia: super answers in maths this week.	
Owls:		omiia: superb golden write quest y written independently.	Owen: always working hard and always contributing to class discussions.	
Spiders:		rence: an outstanding persuasive er to our MP.	Freddie: being a cheerful, kind hard working member of Spider class.	
Tortoises:		cious: working hard and making at progress in writing.	Billyray: for a super start to St Ben's.	
Leopards:	Alfi	e: a superb attitude to his learning.	Acacia: superb attitude and determination with everything she puts her mind to.	
Peacocks:		el: always presenting her work to a n standard.	Romeo: for always approaching his learning with a positive attitude.	
Dojo Points		Leopard Class were this week's winning class with an average of 23 Dojo		
<u>Champs</u>		points each. They win an extra break! Well done, Leopard Class!		
<u>Attendance</u>		Spider Class scoop the attendance award again this week with an impressive		
<u>Champs</u>		96% attendance. They win an extra break! Great work, Spiders!		
Book Battle		week the following % of children managed to read 5 x a week at home:		
Champs		Cat - 26%, Unicorn - 68%, Owl - 67%, Chameleon - 63% Tortoise – 52%, Spider –45%, Leopard - 73%, Peacock - 63% This week's champs are Leopards!		
Learning		Bronze: Ralph (Yr3), Evie and Alfred (Yr5)		
Awards		Silver: Isaac (Yr3), Eaden (Yr5), Aimee and Harry (Yr6)		
<u>Reading</u> Awards		AR Target: Yuliia, Logan B, Sam, Marshall, Raphael, Aliya (Yr3), Lilah (Yr4), and Penelope (Yr6)		
Other Awards		Oriella (Yr4) is the first pupil to earn her Junior Duke award! Great work, Oriella!		

PARENTS' EVENINGS A SUCCESS

Thank you to all those parents and carers that attended Parents' Evenings this week and many thanks to our governors (Helen and Chris, Sue, Jane and Tina) for offering refreshments. If you were not able to attend this week, please contact your child's teacher to arrange an alternative slot next week, or after Easter.

AUTHOR VISIT INSPIRES PUPILS

Author Julie Malone worked with Years 4 and 6 today. Julie captured the imaginations of our young writers as she spoke of what inspired her to write. We are hoping this will encourage them to enter



the St. Ben's Easter short story competition.

MINI-POLICE VISIT MOUNTED POLICE TRAINING CENTRE

On Thursday 23rd March, lucky Mini-Police recruits got to visit the Wilfred Fuller Mounted Police Horse Centre. During the day they got to see sniffer dogs and police horses in action as well as workshops on drones and a talk from the police diving team. It was a fabulous experience and we thank Katie, Freya, Mel and the Mini-Police team for making it happen. Thanks also to Mrs Caston and Miss Hopkins for running the trip and to Mrs Lawford for driving the minibus.



What are you up to?

Our weekly focus on what our wonderful pupils are getting up to out of school. This week, Year 4 Jacob has bagged the Player of the Week award after his two goals in a thumping 9-1 win for his team the Wessex Vipers. Meanwhile, Year 3 Sophia has appeared in a production of Dreamcoats and Petticoats at the McMillan Theatre this week. She is pictured with the cast. Great work both of you!





Dates for your diary:			
Date:	Event/Activity:		
Mon 27 th –Thurs 30 th March	Extra-curricular clubs run as usual		
Tues 28 th March	Netball Match at Strode		
Wed 29 th March	Production Club presents Oliver!		
Fri 31 st March	DASH as usual but NO BEN'S DEN		
Fri 31 st March	Break up for Easter Holidays		
Monday 17 th April	Return to school		

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 right...

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?

Quiz and Pudding Night: Wed 26th April

Are you a quizzy rascal? Why not get along to our PTFA Quiz and Pudding night on Wed 26th April from 6pm – 9pm. 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.



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?