



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 5th May 2023

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

CORONATION CELEBRATION

Friday 5th May saw St. Ben's celebrate the forthcoming King's Coronation. Pupils and staff enjoyed a Big Lunch with the crowns and place settings they had designed and made on show. There was a big surprise for the children as local hero Mr Burns turned up with over 200 London themed cupcakes for pupils and staff to feast upon. The afternoon was given over to fun and games outside, with staff joining pupils in games of cricket and football. A HUGE thank you to Mr Burns and his team for their hugely generous gesture of donating the cupcakes to our school – we are all tremendously grateful!



SPECIAL DELIVERY TO LOCAL CARE HOME

On Thursday, Mrs Tidball, Mr Ranger and a group of pupils from all year groups visited the St. Benedict's Care Home to deliver a very special coronation gift; the pupils and Mrs Tidball had created a special Glastonbury themed Coronation banner for residents to display as part of their celebrations. The pupils got to meet resident Joan who is 104 years old and will be experiencing her third coronation this weekend. Will and his team at the Care Home responded with gifts for the school including chocolates and a Coronation rose, which our pupils will plant up next week. Huge thanks to the Care Home team and to Mrs Tidball and her creative pupils for their incredible banner.



ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

Class:	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats: Unicorns: Chameleons: Owls: Spiders: Tortoises: Leopards: Peacocks:	Leo F: for being wise and strategic in his learning. Courtney: for always answering questions in English and knowing the word classes! Jakob: for excellent progress in his times tables. Ezmay: for always being cheerful and positive. Rosie: for being a presentation peacock and always showing great creativity.
<u>Book Battle Champs</u>	This week the following % of children managed to read 5 x a week at home: Cat - 47%, Unicorn - 43%, Owl - 58%, Chameleon - 50% Tortoise – 33%, Spider – 52%, Leopard - 65%, Peacock - 48% Meaning that this week's champs are Leopard Class who are top of the leaderboard for this half term! Well done Leopards!
<u>Learning Awards</u>	Bronze: Silver: Olivia (Yr4), Alex (Yr5), Delilah-Dixie, Belle-Blossom and Sirius (Yr6) Gold: Jack C, Mark, Willow (Yr3), Jake S, Sofia, Amelia and Mason B (Yr4)
<u>Other Awards</u>	Star of the Week award to Mrs Allen's Intervention Groups – for all your hard work and dedication in the lead up to SATS.

YEAR 5 ENJOY MILLFIELD MUSIC PROJECT

On Thursday of this week, staff and students from Millfield visited St. Ben's to introduce a music project which will culminate with an operatic performance in September. They worked with Year 5 who were thoroughly engaged in the workshop. We can't wait to hear the results!



Dates for your diary:

Date:	Event/Activity:
Monday 8 th May	King's Coronation Bank Holiday – no school
Tues 9 th – Fri 12 th May	SATs Week (Year 6)
Friday 26 th May	Break up for half term

PARENT AND CARER SURVEY

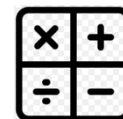
Last week, Mr Ranger posted a link to this year's Parent and Carer survey. We would be very grateful if you'd find a few minutes to share your views of St. Ben's. Deadline is 9th May; all named surveys will be entered in a prize draw.

WANTED! EARLY YEARS TOYS

Year 3 are building up their resources and are keen to add **small world toys** to their outdoor area. Do you have any items at home? From farm animals/buildings to food containers. **Or any other Early Years toys/wooden puzzles.**



FIND MATHS TRICKY? NEED SOME SUPPORT?



Mrs Tidball recommends Laura who offers the following online support for free: Ask a parent first...

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/laurenalicetutoringmathssupportgroup/?ref=share>

In this group you will be able to:

- ask questions about the maths curriculum,
- post photos of homework that you're stuck on that she can help you with,
- share your maths successes!

She also posts: ✨ free masterclasses, ✨ 'how to' videos (for students and parents), ➡ skills, tips and advice!