

# ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 12th May 2023

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

# **CORONATION DISCO A SMASH HIT**

Last Friday night, the pupils of St. Ben's started the Coronation weekend with a bang at our PTFA coronation disco. As ever, the PTFA did a fabulous job and raised over £400 in the process! Huge thanks to them and to the staff and parent volunteers whose help was massively appreciated. Highlights of the evening included a conga-off (between Ms Bradshaw's Lower School Line and Mr Kelland's Upper School line) and Mr Ranger's Rockstar Band taking on the Pupil Band in an air-guitar challenge! A great night was had by all! **Our next PTFA event will be BenFest on Friday 7th July and we would love to see as many parents as possible at our next PTFA meeting on Wednesday 7th June at 2pm.** 



# WELL DONE TO YEAR 6!

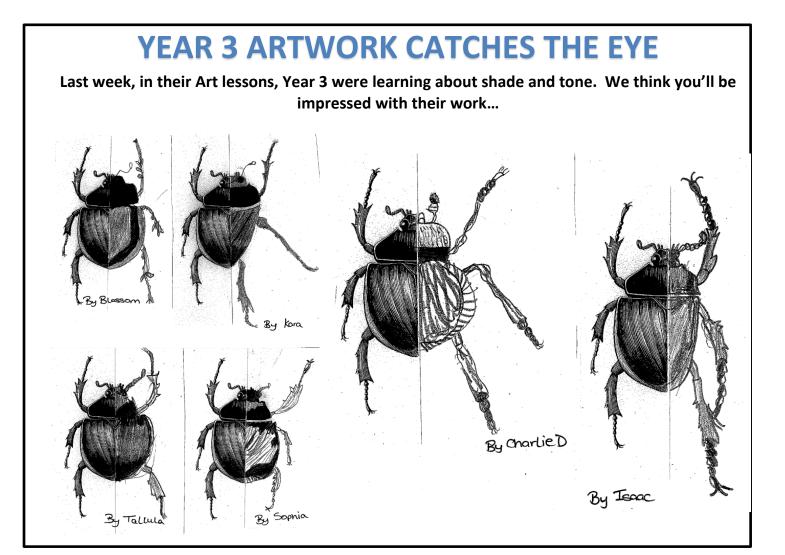
Well done to Year 6 who have approached this week's SATs tests with a brilliant attitude. They have been calm and resilient. As a school, we are keen to recognise that SATs are a very small part of our learning offer – we are all about the children's wellbeing and ensuring that our wider curriculum prepares our children for the next

stage of their lives, but taking tests is part of life and we are proud of their can-do attitude this week. On Friday afternoon, we treated Year 6 to an ice-lolly to say well done. Thanks, too, go to Mr Kelland, Miss Switzer and the Year 6 team for their perfect approach to the week and to the wider staff, volunteers and governors who helped to organise and invigilate.



The children and staff will enjoy a SATs breakfast together on Monday morning.

|                                  | <b>ACHIEVEMENTS</b> and  | d AWARDS   |  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Class:                           | Headteacher's Award  | Teacher's Award  |  |  |
| Cats:                            | Thomas: for his fantastic maths week this week!  | Blossom: for always being ready to learn and presenting her work beautifully.  |  |  |
| Unicorns:                        | Austin: for positive improvement in his learning behaviour.  | Bobby: for always working hard and having a positive attitude.   |  |  |
| Chameleons:                      | anu: for working independently in Nathan: for excellent answers in history.<br>aths and English this week.                     |  |  |  |
| Owls:                            | nie: for super golden write, writing a Noah: for settling so well into Owl Class.<br>owulf story.                              |  |  |  |
| Spiders:                         | Nova: for excellent planning of an innovated myth.   | Alex: for fantastic teamwork in rounders.  |  |  |
| Tortoises:                       | Ethan W: great answers in class and joining in class discussions.  | Katie: for always working calmly and quietly.  |  |  |
| Leopards:                        | Lily H: a smiley and happy attitude, this week and every week.   | Leopard Class: their outstanding attitude towards their SATS tests! Well done!   |  |  |
| Peacocks:                        | Lannie: for excellent resilience during SATS week.   | All of Peacock Class: for an excellent attitude throughout SATS week.  |  |  |
| <b>Book Batt</b>                 | This week the following % of children  | This week the following % of children managed to read 5 x a week at home:  |  |  |
| <b>Champs</b>                    | Cat - 53%, Unicorn - 33%, Owl - 46%, Chameleon - 50%<br>Tortoise – 54%, Spider –%, Leopard - %, Peacock - 52%                  |  |  |  |
|                                  | Meaning that this week's champs are Tortoise Class who are top of the leader-<br>board for this half term! Well done Tortoise! |  |  |  |
| <u>Learning</u><br><u>Awards</u> |  | Bronze: Kiyo (Y3); Silver: Echo, Jemimah (Yr4), Bessie, Zahan, Charlotte, Corey,<br>Victoria (Yr5); Gold: Gold: Marshall (Yr3), Theo (Yr4), Dulcie, Simeon (Yr5) |  |  |
| Other Awa                        |  | Annabelle (Y4): swimming Level 2<br>Class Dojo Points winners: Spiders Attendance winners: Spiders as well!  |  |  |



# Times Tables Rock Star Day Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023, we will be holding our annual TTRS Day. This is a great opportunity for us to celebrate all of the Times Table learning that has taken place throughout the year. In the week leading up to the day, we will be holding Battle of the Band competitions (Class v Class) ahead of a full scale dress up day on the Friday.

On the day, children *and staff* are invited to come to school dressed as a rock star and this has always brought much joy to the school day.

### 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.** 

### **PARENT AND CARER SURVEY**

Thanks to the 46 of you that completed our parent and carer survey. We will share a summary of the results with you soon.

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| <b>Dates for</b> y | our diar | 'V: |
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| Date:                           | Event/Activity:   |
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| Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> May      | School photos – please ensure your child comes to school in their |
|                                 | uniform, even if it is PE day!                                    |
| Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May     | TT Rockstars Day – dress up as a Rockstar!                        |
|                                 | Break up for half term  |
| Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June     | Start back after half term  |
| Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> June at 2pm | PTFA meeting to plan BenFest – all parents and carers very        |
|                                 | welcome.  |
| Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> June     | Year 6 London Trip  |
| Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> and     | INSET Days – planned around the Pilton Festival.                  |
| Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June    | School closed.  |
| Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> July        | Transition Day  |



## REMINDER: WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please remember that we are a nut-free school. Please consider this when making your child's lunch as we have a number of children with serious nut allergies.