



ST. BEN'S BULLETIN: 16th June 2023

Please see our PTFA Facebook Page

Contact school: school164@stbens.school

Website: stbenedictscofevajuniorschoolglastonbury.co.uk/

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

ST. BEN'S OLIVER CAST ROAR AT LIONS

On Tuesday 13th June, members of the St. Ben's Production Club performed songs from their recent production of Oliver at the Lions' Concert at Strode Theatre. It was a wonderful evening of entertainment which was a showcase of music, song and dance from local schools. A packed theatre enjoyed the fun, including the St. Ben's cast who shone with their renditions of songs from the well-loved musical. Well done to all of you and thanks to Mrs Coton for organising the evening and attending, along with Mr Ranger and Miss Leppington.



YEAR 6 HAVE A CAPITAL TIME!

Year 6 visited London yesterday for an action-packed experience including a London Eye flight and a top West End musical. Next week's Bulletin will be a London special, packed with photos...



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

At Collective Worship on Tuesday, Kieron explored transition and what it means to move on to a new role/year group. This is ahead of his ordination into priesthood on 24th June and struck a chord with our pupils who are starting to think about their transition to their next school/year group. We all wish Kieron the best of luck taking his vows and in his new role...



YEAR 4 SONT MAGNIFIQUE!

On Wednesday, Year 4 entertained a group of French visitors by singing a selection of French songs by composer Jan Dobbins. The event happened in St. Benedict's Church as the town welcomed guests from Maillezais, the town with which we are twinned. The guests were incredibly impressed with the pupils' beautiful singing as well as their incredible French accents. Composer Jan was on hand to appreciate her songs being brought to life by the brilliant Year 4s. Thanks to Jan for the songs and to Ms Bradshaw and Mrs Brown for the work teaching the French. Through French Lead Mrs Caston, we are developing closer links with Maillezais and hope to create a pen-pal project next year.



ACHIEVEMENTS and AWARDS

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Headteacher's Award</u>	<u>Teacher's Award</u>
Cats:	Faye: for making a positive contribution in English lessons!	Mori: for being so much more positive in school!
Unicorns:	Kiyo: for his great work ethic in all he does.	Nico: for having a super positive week.
Chameleons:	Nathan: for his patience and dedication completing the MTC.	Letty: for bravely stepping into help with our French song's performance.
Owls:	Cattleya: for always being motivated in all her work and a lovely friend.	Orrin: for staying on task and for working hard on times tables.
Spiders:	Freddie: for an excellent performance as 'Prometheus' in our play.	Eaden: for working hard and having a fantastic attitude.
Tortoises:	Iris: for fantastic, positive attitude in our assessments this week.	Luka: for always being positive and cheerful.
Leopards:	Delilah: for a more positive attitude towards school!	Noah: for an excellent double page spread on 'The Blitz'.
Peacocks:	Rufus: for making excellent progress with his presentation peacock skills.	Freya: a creative unicorn who produces artwork that inspires and influences others.
This week, Peacock Class scooped the Class Dojo Points award (20.6 point average) and Cat Class secured the Attendance Award (98.4%). Well done to both classes!		
<u>Book Battle Champs</u>	This week the following % of children managed to read 4 x a week at home: Cat - 63%, Unicorn - 76%, Owl - 54%, Chameleon - 91% Tortoise - 78%, Spider - 63%, Leopard - 83%, Peacock - 65% Meaning that this week's champs are Chameleon Class who are top of the leaderboard for this half term! Well done Chameleons!	
<u>Learning Awards</u>	Silver: Freddie, Louie, Ezmay (Yr5), Noah, Alfie and Josh (Yr6) Gold: Jack P (Yr3), Monika (Yr5) and Amelia (Yr6)	
<u>Other Awards</u>	Beehive Award: Austen and Mark (Yr3), Louie (Yr5) and Fern (Yr6): all for completing their ELSA. Star Awards: Oz (Yr6): for facing his fear at the London Eye; Mr Ranger – for keeping to a reasonable pace in London!	

ST. BEN'S SCHOOL PANTRY IS FILLING UP...

Last week we featured the introduction of our new school pantry and we would like to remind everyone that we welcome donations to the pantry (these should be dried (non-perishable) items such as dried pasta, rice, tins of e.g. beans/soup or any packet sauces.

Please bring any donations to the school office.

We are starting to fill up the pantry, so, from Monday 19th June the pantry will be open for business. If you would like to come and help yourself to a few items, please do so – there are bags provided. You do not need to speak to the office, simply help yourself.



**The pantry is situated by the front door.
Please help yourself...**

YEAR 5 HAVE BIKEABILITY

A group of intrepid Year 5's were put through their paces this week in order to gain their 'Bikeability' award and keep them safe on the roads. Huge thanks to instructors Mark and Emily and to governor Mike Derbidge who helped out for the three days.



ROUNDERS TEAM WIN AGAIN!

St. Ben's Rounders Team notched up another victory this week as they recorded a win over Meare to maintain the top spot in the schools' league. The home fixture was, once again, well attended by supporters who were treated to another impressive performance by the St. Ben's team. The final score was 79-18. Well done to the team and thanks to our coaches, Mrs Brown, Mr Lintell and Mrs Varney.

ARE YOU A JOINER/ CARPENTER?

We are looking for a carpenter/joiner to help us with an exciting project for the children which will involve creating a decking stage. Would you donate your skills/offer mates' rates to help us? Please call/Dojo message Mr Ranger if you might be interested.

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.**

CHANGE TO BOOK BATTLE REWARDS

A reminder that we have altered the Book Battle to reward all children who are reading regularly at home. We are now asking for at least 4 home reads a week and all children who manage this will be rewarded with an extra break after Celebration Praise on a Friday. Those who don't will get the opportunity to read at this time and can receive support if they need it.

We will still reward the top reading class each half term with a mufti day!

The Parent/Carer role in this is crucial; please find time to encourage your child and to sign their record.

Dates for your diary:

Date:	Event/Activity:
Friday 23 rd and Monday 26 th June	INSET Days – planned around the Pilton Festival. School closed.
Thursday 29 th June	Lower School World Cup Football Tournament
Friday 30 th June	Upper School World Cup Football Tournament with Upper and Lower School Finals in the afternoon.
Monday 3 rd July	Talent Show Grand Final: class shows will be held the week before. Winner from each class will get a slot at BenFest (if they want!)
Wed 5 th July	Transition Day for Years 2, 3, 5 and 6.
Friday 7 th July	Transition Day for Year 4 moving up to Year 5.
Friday 7 th July	BenFest: help required and please come along to support the event!
Friday 14 th July	St. Benedict's Sports Day: Upper School 10am, Lower School 1:30pm