

Friday 12th May 2023

# St. Benedict's News



*'With Jesus we learn, love and laugh'*

Dear Parents/Carers,

## **Year 6 SATs**

A big well done to our amazing Year 6 children who had their SATS this week. They all worked so hard, we are very proud of the effort they have put in. Thanks to our parents for your support in ensuring that your children were in on time all week and also a special 'Thank You' to our staff who have supported them.

## **RE inspection results**

We are delighted to share the news that our school achieved an 'outstanding' grading in the recent RE inspection. The full report has been shared electronically earlier this week. Thank you to all those involved, this is a really fantastic achievement!

## **First Holy Communion**

For children who are making their First Holy Communion on **Saturday 20th May**, there is a practice meeting in Church on **Thursday 18th May at 3:30pm**. A parent or responsible adult who will be attending the Communion mass must accompany the child to support them at this practice. Please say a prayer for those children making their First Holy Communion tomorrow. We wish them the best of luck in this important step on their faith journey.

## **Reception new parent meeting**

We are having a meeting for new Reception parents on **Thursday 8th June** at 4:30pm. Letters will be sent out containing more information.

## **Poet Visit**

A fantastic poet, Matt Goodfellow, will visit our school on Thursday to inspire our children to read and write poetry. Copies of his books will be available to purchase and he will sign any copies sold.

## **Netherton Library half term activities**

Netherton Library are hosting a range of activities over the May half term including crafts, board games and story time. A letter will be sent out electronically containing more information.

## **Labelling school uniform**

Can you please ensure children's uniform is clearly labelled, particularly jumpers and cardigans. Children take them off due to the warm weather and if they don't have a name on it is difficult trying to find out who they belong to. Thank you.

## **Individual water bottles**

For hygiene reasons can we please ask that all children bring in their own **reusable** water bottles to school. Please do not send in single use plastic ones.

## **Unauthorised Absence**

Please note, if your child is absent you **MUST** call the office before 9am on the first day providing a full reason. If you do not do this your child will receive an unauthorised absence mark.



**St Benet's  
Temporary-  
Mass Times**

Saturday  
No Mass

Sunday  
9 am & 11.00  
am

Mon - Fri  
No Mass

**Attendance  
& Punctuality**

**Whole School:  
91.4%**

**Highest Class:  
6MC**



**100%**



**Well Done!!**

**Minutes Lost  
to Lates  
75**



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### Dates for your Diary

**Saturday 13th and Saturday 20th May:** Year 4 First Holy Communions 10:30am

**Thursday 18th May:** First Holy Communion practice meeting 3:30pm

**Tuesday 23rd May:** Year 6 Faith in Action Retreat

**Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June:** Half term (3:15pm finish)

**Monday 5th June:** Inset day

**Thursday 8th June:** Reception new intake meeting 4:30pm

**Wednesday 7th to Friday 9th June:** Year 6 residential trip to CHET

### **Attendance**

We will provide a regular update on the weekly attendance figures and attendance to date for each class.

The information below shows how attendance can affect your child's future progression.

- Above 97%: Less than 6 days absence a year Excellent attendance! These young people will almost certainly get the best grades they can, leading to better prospects for the future. Pupils will also get into a habit of attending school which will help in the future.
- 95%: 10 days absence a year. These pupils are likely to achieve good grades and form a habit of attending school regularly. Pupils who take a 2 week holiday every year can only achieve 95% attendance.
- 90%: 19 days absence a year. The Government classes young people in this group as "persistent absentees", and will be almost impossible to keep up with work.



	Weekly Attendance	Attendance to date
<b>6MC</b>	100%	93.7%
<b>3EO</b>	96.8%	93.8%
<b>4CL</b>	93.5%	93.8%
<b>2C</b>	89.9%	96.1%
<b>1GG</b>	87.9%	94.7%
<b>REC</b>	87.5%	91.6%
<b>5CN</b>	83.8%	91.7%
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>91.4%</b>	<b>93.7%</b>

