

# St. Benedict's News



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

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Children's Mental Health Week**

Next week it is National Children's Mental Health awareness week with the theme 'Know Yourself, grow yourself'. On **Tuesday 4th February** there will be a 'Community bus' which will be located on the infant playground from 9am. Parents and carers are welcome to come along for advice and support from the Mental Health Support Team. In assembly next Friday our Mental Health support worker, Jo, will give us some insight as to what the week is all about and why we have it. Please discuss at home with your child the importance of keeping ourselves mentally and physically fit and healthy.

### **Safer Internet Day**

Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people. This year the theme is '**Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online**'. It will be celebrated on **Tuesday 11th February**. Please have a chat with your children about what they already know about staying safe on the internet.

### **Children's University**

When children participate in certain activities they can gain credits as long as the learning provider is registered with Children's University. If they go to clubs outside of school you can purchase a CU learning passport from the office for £4.00 (payable via our App) which will allow them to earn further credits. Children in years 2 and 6 with enough credits will attend a lovely graduation ceremony at Edge Hill University. If you would like to learn more information visit our website <https://www.stbenedictsprimary.co.uk/childrens-university/>

### **Healthy snacks**

This is a gentle reminding regarding snacks. Children in Nursery to Year 2 receive a piece of fruit during the daily morning break as part of a Government scheme. We welcome other children bringing snacks in for break time but can we please ask that they bring in healthy food such as fruit. Can children also please bring in water in a reusable water bottle rather than juice. Thank you.

### **School Meals**

Please can you let the school office know if your child has changed from packed lunch to school meals or vice versa giving us at least 1 weeks' notice. School Meals are charged at £2.50 per day/£12.50 per week for children in the juniors. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive Universal Free School Meals. Please ensure payment is made on a Friday for the week or in advance on Monday via our schoolcomms app.

### **Unwanted gifts**

Our PFSA would be extremely grateful for any new, unwanted gifts. These will be used as prizes for future raffles and Summer Fayres. Thank you for your continued support.

<b>St Benet's Mass Times</b>
Wed, Sat No Mass
Sunday 10am
Mon, Tue, Thur and Fri 10am

<b>Attendance &amp; Punctuality</b>
<b>Whole School:</b> 92.3%
<b>Highest Class:</b> 6M
97.1% <b>Well Done!!</b>
<b>Number of Lates</b>



 <b>Champions of the Week</b> 			
	<b>Star of the Week</b>	<b>Maths Champion</b>	<b>Writer of the Week</b>
<b>Rec</b>	Ivy O	Erin O	Loui-Charles
<b>1GN</b>	Elsie S	Arna C	Martha T
<b>2L</b>	Ari P	Lois D	Aria D
<b>3EO</b>	Ava B	Thomas M	Noah L
<b>4CL</b>	Pippa C	Luan S	Patrick C
<b>5CN</b>	Oliver W	Deni G	Dominic R
<b>6Mc</b>	Ethan C	Noah P	Charlie H

**Spring Term Clubs**  
**Monday**

Music Hub (4:30 - 5:15pm) : **For children who have brass lessons**  
Football: **Year 3 & 4**

**Tuesday**

Netball: **Year 5 & 6**

**Wednesday**

Gymnastics: **Year 1, 2 & 3**  
Football: **Year 5 & 6**

**Thursday**

Choir: **Year 3, 4, 5 & 6**  
Football: **Year 1 & 2**

**Friday**

Cheerleading: **Year 1, 2 & 3**  
Cheerleading: **Year 4, 5 & 6**  
Girls' football

All after school clubs have now started again.

Parents must sign up directly for most of the football clubs and gymnastics with Community Coaching or cheerleading with LEAP via the letter or link which were sent out earlier this week. Children must come in to school wearing their **school uniform**. They can bring in a change of clothing such as football kit/gym wear which they will change into at the end of the school day.

<b>School Terms and Holidays 2024/25</b>	
<b>Spring Term 2025</b> Monday - Friday 17th - 21st February Friday 4th April	Half-Term Holiday Close for Spring Break (finish at 1:30pm)
<b>Summer Term 2025</b> Tuesday 22nd April Wednesday 23rd April Monday 5th May Monday - 26th to Friday 30th May Monday 2nd June Tuesday 3rd June Tuesday 22nd July	Inset Day School re-opens for children Bank Holiday Half-Term Holiday Inset Day School re-opens for children School closes for Summer Holiday (finish at 1:30pm)