

Friday 2nd May 2025

St. Benedict's News



'With Jesus we learn, love and laugh'

Dear Parents/Carers,

Bank holiday Monday

A reminder that next **Monday 5th May** is a bank holiday. Children will return to school on Tuesday 6th May.

Year 6 SATs

We send our prayers and best wishes to our Year 6 children who will be sitting their SATs in the week commencing **12th May**. They have approached these tests with maturity and should be proud of the effort they have put in. Well done to staff who have supported them. Our children are more than a score and we celebrate all of their achievements, both in and out of the classroom.

The timetable for SATS is:

Monday - SPAG (spellings, grammar and punctuation)

Tuesday - Reading

Wednesday - Maths arithmetic paper 1 and reasoning paper 2

Thursday - Maths reasoning paper 3

The children are invited to come in for breakfast at 8:30am that week to start their day fresh and relaxed.

Please note, the children are **not allowed to wear smart watches**.

First Holy Communion Practice meetings

For children who are making their First Holy Communion on **Saturday 10th May**, there is a practice meeting in Church straight after school on **Thursday 8th May**. Children making their First Holy Communion on **Saturday 17th May** should attend the practice meeting on **Thursday 15th May**. A parent or responsible adult who will be attending the Communion mass must accompany the child to support them at this practice.

Year 6 Faith in Action Retreat

On **Tuesday 20th May**, our Year 6 children will participate in a retreat led by Animate in Lowe House. This is part of their work towards achieving the Faith in Action award.

Accident on the school yard

Unfortunately, there was an accident on the yard earlier this week whereby a child in Reception was knocked over and injured by an older child riding their bike. If your child comes to school on their bike or scooter please ensure they get off and push it before they enter the school ground. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sun Cream

We have had some nice weather lately and long may it continue! Please can you ensure you apply sun cream before your child comes to school. We also suggest children wear hats during playtimes and bring in a reusable water bottle.

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.



**St Benet's
Mass Times**

Wed, Sat
No Mass

Sunday
10am

Mon, Tue
Thur and Fri
10am

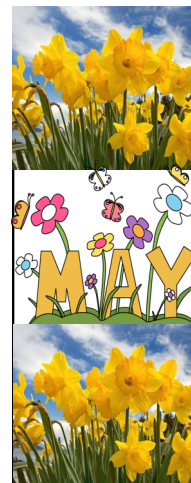
**Attendance
& Punctuality**

**Whole School:
96.5%**

**Highest Class:
Rec**

 **100%
Well Done!!**

**Number of
Lates
9**



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Champions of the Week



	Star of the Week	Maths Champion	Writer of the Week
Rec	George C	Ellie PV	Albie B
1GN	Lincoln W	Seren B	Sonny H
2L	Brody C	Ida H	Amelia K
3EO	Elizabeth M	Carl D	Archie H
4CL	Bella Mc	Evelyn W	Lucy R
5CN	Roman BG	Evie V	Ethan M
6Mc	Noah P	Paddy D	Jack O

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
Rec	100%	92.7%
2C	98.7%	92.8%
5CN	97%	95.5%
4CL	95.7%	95.1%
3E	95.7%	94.4%
6M	95.4%	95.1%
1GN	93%	90.4%
Whole School	96.5%	93.7%

