



**ST. BENEDICT'S R.C. PRIMARY SCHOOL  
NEWSLETTER**

**3 March 2017**

**World Book Day**

We all enjoyed taking part in our exciting book day. The children visited different lands:  
Pirate Land—building dens  
Emerald City—made rainbow rocks  
Alice in Wonderland—making tea party hats and had a tea party  
Harry Potter Land— making potions  
Teachers loved working with all the children and look forward to next year's Book Day!

**Sporting Achievements**

Well done to the Year 2's who took part in the Ryedale Cluster—Multi-skills session. St Ben's came out on top once again!  
Seven of our Year 5 & 6 pupils took part in the Ryedale School Sport Partnership—cross country trials, at Lady Lumley's yesterday.  
Congratulations to Naomi, Charlie and Aidan who qualified for the Level 3 Final.

**Future Events / Dates—Please check App & Website for updates**

Date	Time	Event
Fri 10 March	All day	"Sports extravaganza"
Thurs 23 March	11.15—2.00 pm	Cross Country finals at Dalby Forest
Fri 24 March	1.00—3.00 pm	Yr 3/4 Hockey at Ryedale School
Wed 29 March	3.45—7.00 pm	Parents Consultation Evening
Thurs 30 March	3.45—5.00 pm	Parents Consultation Evening
Fri 31 March	1.00—3.00pm	Yr 5/6 Hockey at Ryedale School
Fri 7 April	3.30 pm	Finish for Easter break

*This week's Statement to live by:*

*I co-operate with others in work and play*

Dear All,

It has been a pleasure to welcome the children back this week, as it begins to feel more like Spring time. We have made a very positive start to the season of Lent, beginning with a beautiful Mass in church on Ash Wednesday. The children all wrote something privately that they wanted to say sorry for, or a "disappointment", on a paper cross. These were collected up during Mass. Father Bede then brought them back to school in the afternoon for a special reflection, where the crosses were burnt, signifying the ash of "Ash Wednesday" and that our sins can be forgiven.

Our school staff spent an hour after school with Father Bede, on a staff Lenten prayer time. During Lent we will continue our spiritual preparation for Easter through confession, stations of the cross, liturgies and fund-raising (dates to follow).

As always if you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

God bless,

Mrs Barrs

**Stars of the week !**

This week's stars are :



**Class 1 :** Matilda for being so enthusiastic during World Book Day activities and Isobella for trying hard with reading and sounding out words—well done!

**Class 2 :** Constance for great work exploring division, Mason for knowing contractions and Lexi for fantastic phonics and being ready to learn.

**Class 3 :** Ursula for amazing times tables work, and Elena for continuous help and support in class.

**Class 4 :** Jack for improved behaviour and taking initiative to look after others and Bronwyn for improved confidence and brilliant progress in maths.

**Visit from Headteacher—All Saints, York**

We were pleased to welcome Mr Bill Scriven, Headteacher at our Catholic secondary school, All Saints, York, into school on Tuesday.

We discussed opportunities for our children to take part in a range of activities, to enable them to get to know more about life in our catholic secondary school. Details for each event will be shared with you in the newsletter.

**Sports Extravaganza—Friday 10 March**

Next Friday we are fortunate to have the opportunity to take part in a sports 'extravaganza'. This will be lead by Year 9 sports leaders from Ampleforth College and our own Year 6 sports leaders will be lending a hand.

Three of our sports leaders (Lily, Lewis and Albert) are going to the Abbey today for a meeting with Year 9's to discuss activities.