

Open Day - Monday 18th November

We look forward to welcoming prospective parents and pupils to our 'Stay and Play' session on Monday 18th November from 9.30 - 11.00 am. Please see the attached poster for details.

This week's letters

Tues 5th November Class 3 Christmas Craft Club Y3/4



Future Events / Dates - Please check Website for updates

Date	Time	Event
Fri 15th November	All Day	Pyjama day and Cake sale - donations of cakes required please
Mon 18th November	9.30—11.00 am	Open Morning—Nursery and Reception—Everyone Welcome.
Thurs 21st November	9.00 am	St Benedict's Society PTA meeting to discuss Christmas Fair and future fundraising ideas—Everyone is welcome
Sunday 24th November	10.00 am	Mass—feast of Christ the King at Our Lady & St Benedict's church
Tues 3rd December	10.30 am	Yr 6 Height & Weights check—Healthy Child Team
Thurs 12th December	2.00 pm	Panto—in school - details to follow
Mon 16th December	2.00 & 6.00 pm	EYFS/KS1 Christmas Performance—'It's A Baby'
Wed 17th December		Flu Vaccine (rescheduled from 1/10)
Wed 17th December	12.00—1.00 pm	Christmas Lunch
Thurs 19th December	1.00 pm	Carols around the tree and Achievement Assembly
Fri 20th December	3.30 pm	School finishes for Christmas Break



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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you all had a lovely half term break (doesn't that seem a long time ago!) with your children and were able to spend time together as a family.

This morning the staff and children joined together with the staff and children from St Hilda's for our yearly Act of Remembrance at St Benedict's and St Hilda's churches. It was a fitting tribute to everyone we lost from the village and the country. The children were so respectful and engaged throughout the ceremony. It was lovely to see children and parents from across the village to remember those in Ampleforth and beyond who lost their lives for us.

As mentioned elsewhere on the newsletter, the PTA held their Annual General Meeting this week. I would like to publicly welcome our new members - we are really looking forward to working together over the coming year. I would also like to publicly thank some of our long serving members who are stepping down. You have contributed so much to the life of the school. Thank you for all your time, work and enthusiasm you contributed to St Benedict's.

Finally as a school, we are in the process of organising Mass with Father Bede on Sunday 24th November to celebrate the feast of Christ the King, I thought I would give you a bit of advance notice and invite you to come and join us at Mass at church on that day. There will be more details to follow next week.

I hope that you all have a happy and holy time together over the weekend.

Mr Eddy



Stars of the week



Head teacher's award: - **Kuba** for being helpful and caring 😊

Class 1: Frankie

for super work in phonics

Class 2: Sienna

for great attitude to learning

Freya

for her great effort in Maths and sharing ideas

Class 3: Ienasi

for his excellent 'give it a go' attitude

Olivia

for giving 100% to everything she does

Class 4: Ellie

for her fantastic positive attitude and enthusiasm

Byron

for his perseverance in Maths





- Year 1 :** Evie
- Year 2 :** Imogen
- Year 3 :** Tolly
- Year 4 :** Hanna
- Year 5 :** Henrietta
- Year 6 :** Oscar B



- Class 1 :** Tilly
- Class 2 :** Sunny
- Class 3 :** Albert
- Class 4 :** Oscar E & Daisy

Sport

Cross Country

Congratulations to Gracie, Elizabeth and Olivia who took part in the North Yorkshire School Games County Cross Country Finals, in Dalby Forest, at Pickering on Tuesday 5th November.

Gracie achieved 8th place in a field of 68 Year 3 girls

Elizabeth and Olivia were placed 8th and 10th in a field of 73 Year 4 girls

Quote from the organisers:

It was a damp and in places boggy course that greeted the runners in the Great Yorkshire Forest, but the site was buzzing with excited runners and even more excited parents despite the wind and rain!

With nine races taking place one of which was Inclusive, there was hardly a break in the action. It was very tight competition!

Congratulations again to all the athletes who reached the finals, which is no mean feat in itself.



St Benedict's Society (PTA)

The PTA group held their AGM on Thursday 7th November, we welcomed some new faces and appointed the following members to lead the group:

Chairperson	Ruth Hillier	(Lexi & Joey's mum)
Secretary	Sonia Gruenfeld	(Sunny's mum)
Treasurer	Louise Legard	(Otello's mum)

Other Committee members include:

Amy Leonard	(Gracie's mum)
Ola Karasinska	(Hanna's mum)
Hanna Nichols	(Albert, Evelyn & Arthur's mum)
Jane Souter	(School Admin)

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 21st November—when we will be discussing arrangements for a Christmas Fair and future fund raising ideas. Parents, grandparents and friends are welcome to come along and join the team for a coffee and offer their ideas to help raise money for the school.

We would like to say a big thank you to: **Joanne Wood, Fran Evans and Lisa Halmshaw** for their dedication and hard work over the past couple of years.

Friday 15th November - PJ Day and Cake Sale - fundraiser for Cafod



Children are invited to donate £1.00 and come to school in their pyjamas for the day.



Calling all bakers! Our School Council are asking for donations of cakes and biscuits to sell at break time.

Items will be priced at 50p each. Children will need to bring in some money if they wish to purchase some goodies!

School Dinners

There will be a change to the menu on Friday 15th November, our cook will be serving:

Individual Pudsey Pizzas **

Chips & Beans

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Pudsey Bear cup cakes or Fruit



**Jacket potatoes will still be on offer as an alternative