



St Benedict's—A Catholic Voluntary Academy

Newsletter

Friday 24th January 2020



Dear Parents and Carers

I have been able to spend time with the children in class and the playground this week. I try to do this as much as possible as it reminds me of the joys of the job and allows me to focus on the most important part of school life, building those relationships with the children. As always the children are so happy and confident in and out of class - I enjoy watching them grow, mature and develop over the year.

Father Bede has been in to our Friday's Achievement Assembly today. As the Church celebrates The Year of the Word, Father Bede has very kindly bought all the children a special copy of *Matthew's Gospel*. This school year, we will be building a good deal of the Catholic Life of the school around *Matthew's gospel* and it is wonderful that the children will have their own copy that they can refer to whenever they need. Thank you very much, Father.

Have a happy and holy weekend.

Mr Eddy



Stars of the week



Head teacher's award: - **Sienna** for perseverance with class work and around school 😊

- Class 1: Constance** for always challenging herself
- Class 2: Evelyn** for her fantastic story writing
- Szymon** for his great attitude to learning
- Class 3: Matilda** for her superb piece of 3D art
- Hanna** for her excellent story particularly her control of speech
- Class 4: Carlos** for excellent Maths work and improved English writing
- Byron** for his hard work in Maths





- Year 1 :** Lilly
- Year 2 :** Freya
- Year 3 :** Elijah
- Year 4 :** Kayah
- Year 5 :** Daisy
- Year 6 :** Oscar E



- Class 1 :** Ted S
- Class 2 :** Joey
- Class 3 :** Taylor
- Class 4 :** Bertie

Prayer Garden Competition

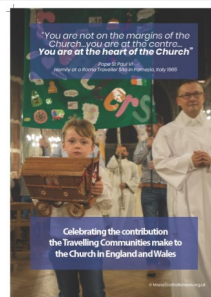
Just to remind you that the closing date for our competition is **7th February** - see attached leaflet for details.

Non Uniform Day - Friday 31st January

In return for not wearing school uniform pupils are asked to bring in a coloured non-perishable item which will then be used to make up hampers for the Easter Fair.

The colour scheme for classes is as follows:-

- Class 1 & 2 = Red**
- Class 3 = Yellow**
- Class 4 = Blue**



Racial Justice Sunday - Sunday 9th February

The Parish have invited us to join in the celebration of Mass. Pupils who have expressed an interest in participating have been given a letter with further information.

Scouts and Guides World Thinking Day - Saturday 22nd February

St Benedict's will be supporting our Scouts and Guides by allowing them to come to school in their uniforms on **Monday 24th February**.

It is a day when they think about their "sisters" and "brothers" in all the countries of the world, the meaning of Guiding & Scouting, and its global impact.



This week's letters

- Fri 24th Jan Class 4 Visit to Ampleforth College
- Selected pupils Racial Justice Day
- Class 3 Transport for swimming



Future Events / Dates - Please check Website for updates

Date	Time	Event
Wed 29th January	1.00 - 4.00 pm	Class 4 - Ampleforth College performance of We Will Rock You
Fri 31st January	All day	Non Uniform Day
Fri 7th February	12 noon	Closing date for Prayer Garden competition
Sun 9th February	10.00 am	Racial Justice Sunday - Mass at Our Lady and St Benedict's church - details to follow
Thurs 13th February	5.00 -6.30 pm	Valentine's Disco - details to follow
Fri 14th February	3.30 pm	Finish for half term holiday
Mon 24th February	8.45 pm	Re-open for Spring term 2
Mon 24th February	All Day	Scouts & Guides celebrate World Thinking Day
Wed 26th February	9.30 am	Ash Wednesday - Mass at Our Lady and St Benedict's church
Wed 4th March	3.00 pm	Lenten Reflections - details to follow
Thurs 5th March	All day	World Book Day
Wed 18th March	3.00 pm	Lenten Reflections
Wed 1st April	3.00 pm	Lenten Reflections
Fri 3rd April	3.30 pm	Finish for Easter Break



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