

Friday 27th February 2026

St. Benedict's News



'With Jesus we learn, love and laugh'

Dear Parents/Carers,

Scholastic Book Fair

Our Book Fair has been a huge success so far. The children have been really excited to purchase new books to enjoy. If you would like to purchase a book but have not yet had the opportunity, it will take place **today and Monday** after school in the hall. There will be lots of books available, many are below £5 and World Book Day vouchers can be used to help towards the cost. For every book purchased, scholastic makes a donation towards library books for school so you will also be helping to add new books to our school library. Thank you for your tremendous support.

The Masked Reader

We have been sending out links to a short video of one of our teachers reading in disguise via text to our parents. Watch these with your child and guess the reader and the book. Next Monday and Wednesday are the final guesses!

World Book Day

As you know, next **Thursday 5th March** we will be celebrating World Book Day. Children may wear their pyjamas and bring in their favourite book to share with friends. We are also asking children to come in with an inspirational quote from a book or famous person, this can just be written on paper and pinned to their pyjamas, to generate conversation and discuss what inspires them to read. Children have been told about this in assembly so please chat with them for more ideas and information.

Big Lent Walk

Weather permitting, we are taking part in Cafod's Big Lent Walk one day in the week commencing **9th March**. Children have taken home a sponsor form. We always appreciate your generosity to help those less fortunate.

Year 4 Sacramental Preparation

On **Tuesday 10th March** there is an important meeting for parents and Year 4 children who are making their First Holy Communion at 6pm in the Fr. O'Reilly room at St Benet's Church.

Park Away Day

Thank you for your support last year with our park away days. Now that the weather is getting better, we are keen to start them up again. The first Friday of each month will be a park away day and we are asking families to park away from school and to walk the rest of the way. If you live close to school, you could leave your car at home and walk. If this is not possible, you could park away from school, for example the Church car park, and walk the rest of the way with your family. Through these park away days, we are helping to protect our environment and take care of our world. It is also a lovely opportunity for you to have a chat with your family during the short walk. Each park away day, we will give you a question to chat about. Our first park away day of this year will be **Friday 6th March**. For this week's chat, we would like you to tell the person you're walking with something that you like about the season of spring. Happy walking!



St Benet's
Mass Times

Wed, Sat
No Mass

Sunday
10am

Mon, Tue,
Thur and Fri
10am

Attendance
& Punctuality

Whole School:
96.3%

Highest Class:
Y1



100%



Well Done!!

Number of
Lates
9



february



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Champions of the Week



	Star of the Week	Maths Champion	Writer of the Week
Rec	Freya K	Bobby B	Maisie R
1G	Hayden G	Thomas L	Hallie BB
2TO	Elsie S	Ava W	Bobby Mc
3EN	Bobby OS	Phoebe D	Frankie J
4L	Leo C	Robyn H	Archie H
5CL	Pippa C	Thomas Del	Selena M
6Mc	Deni G	Billie H	Penelope C

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 it will be almost impossible for them to keep up with work.



	Weekly Attendance	Attendance to date
Y1	100%	95.4%
Y5	98%	94.8%
Y4	96%	96%
Y6	96%	96.1%
Y2	95%	93.6%
Rec	94.8%	92.8%
Y3	94%	94.7%
Total	96.3%	94.8%

