

Friday 13th March 2026

# St. Benedict's News



*'With Jesus we learn, love and laugh'*

Dear Parents/Carers,

## **Big Lent Walk**

On Tuesday our whole school took part in the sponsored Big Lent Walk. Thank you to everyone who sponsored us. All money will go to CAFOD for their vital work in trying to end poverty. Please can any sponsor money be sent in to school by the end of next week.

## **Parents Evening**

Parents' Evening will take place next **Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th March**. Sign up sheets have been on classroom doors earlier this week for parents to sign up to a time slot.

## **World Down Syndrome Day #LotsOfSocks**

We will be marking World Down Syndrome Day in school on **Friday 20th March** with the theme '*Stand together against loneliness*' - asking everyone to think about ways they can make a difference. We are celebrating the day in various ways including asking everybody to wear brightly coloured socks on the day to highlight the triplicate number of the 21<sup>st</sup> chromosome in people with Down Syndrome. The specific Down Syndrome colours are blue and yellow but children can wear other colours if they would like to. We will be raising awareness in class with a number of activities and will also have a special assembly.

## **Red Nose Day**

On **Friday 20th March** it is also Red Nose Day. As this falls on the same day as World Down Syndrome Day children are asked to wear their uniform with brightly coloured socks and bring in a £1.00 donation for the charity. Children will also tell jokes in assembly.

## **School photographer**

On **Thursday 26th March** the school photographer is coming in to take class photographs. Please can children arrive on time wearing full uniform.

## **Easter Celebration Service**

On **Friday 27th March** we are having our Easter Celebration Service in Church at 9:30am. All are welcome to remember the Easter story.

## **Attendance**

Please note, if your child is absent from school and their attendance is below **90%** you may receive a visit from an Attendance Officer from the Local Authority. We will notify parents when their child's attendance is close to 92%.

## **Children's University credits**

Please can Children's University passports be sent into school no later than **Thursday 19th March** so that we can collect the credits children have earned from going to external clubs.



St Benet's  
Mass Times

Wed, Sat  
No Mass

Sunday  
10am

Mon, Tue,  
Thur and Fri  
10am

**Attendance  
& Punctuality**

**Whole School:  
92.2%**

**Highest Class:  
Y6**



**96.9%**

**Well Done!!**

**Number of  
Lates  
12**



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## Champions of the Week



	Star of the Week	Maths Champion	Writer of the Week
<b>Rec</b>	James H	Amaya S	Heidi O
<b>1G</b>	Ayda C	Rose W	Olivia D
<b>2TO</b>	Arna C	Orla P	Lily J
<b>3EN</b>	Joseph Mc	Lois D	Josh K
<b>4L</b>	Carl D	Noah H	Josh C
<b>5CL</b>	Charlie R	Riley R	Emily W
<b>6Mc</b>	Evie V	Jake W	Reuben M

## 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
<b>Y6</b>	96.9%	96.2%
<b>Y2</b>	94.7%	93.6%
<b>Y5</b>	94.1%	95%
<b>Rec</b>	92.7%	92.9%
<b>Y1</b>	91.1%	95.3%
<b>Y3</b>	89.4%	94.5%
<b>Y4</b>	86.9%	95.7%
<b>Total</b>	92.2%	94.8%

