

Friday 18th September 2026

St. Benedict's News



'With Jesus we learn, love and laugh'

Dear Parents/Carers,

Primary and Secondary School Admissions

If your child is starting Primary or Secondary School in September 2026 you **MUST** now apply online. To apply, please visit <https://www.sefton.gov.uk/childrens-services/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/>

The closing dates are **31st October 2026** for High School applications and 15th January 2027 for Primary School applications.

Nasal Flu Vaccine

Sefton Immunisations team will be visiting our school on **16th October** to administer the nasal flu vaccine. A letter has been sent out along with an electronic consent link <https://www.manage-vaccinations-in-schools.nhs.uk/consents/FdUuDfpBGV/flu/start>. Can we please ask that ALL parents take the time to complete this even if you do not want your child to receive the vaccine.

Harvest Festival

Friday 2nd October is Cafod Harvest Fast Day. We will mark this with the whole school at our Harvest Festival in St. Benet's church at 9:30am. This is a chance for us to meet as a community to give thanks for our food and the people who grow it and cook it. Families are very welcome to join us for this joyous celebration. We are collecting donations to give to the Food Bank. Please pass any tins or packets of non-perishable food into your child's class. We are very grateful for your support.

Welcome Assembly

On **Friday 23th October** at 9:30am, the parents of our new Reception children are invited to join us in the school hall for our Welcome Assembly. This is when the Reception children will be introduced to our school family and will perform some of the songs they have been learning this term. We look forward to seeing you there.

Absences and holidays

If your child will be absent can you please notify the office as soon as possible. In addition, as always, we are unable to authorise any holidays during school time. If you are planning on taking your child on holiday, you must complete a holiday request form and arrange a meeting with Mr Phillips. Any holidays taken for 5 days or more will be sent to the Local Authority who will issue a fine. Also, please be aware, if your child's attendance falls below 90% at any point we are obliged to notify and Attendance Officer from the Local Authority who may pay you a home visit.

School Lottery

We are very grateful to one of our parents, Louise, who has kindly volunteered to organise and run the lottery on behalf of the school. If you would like to get involved, please contact Louise directly on **07376 957365**. We are hoping to use the money raised to support school and invest in resources for our children, including **reinforced metal football goals**, as our current goals have unfortunately been repeatedly vandalised. Every contribution makes a difference, and we really appreciate your continued support.



**St Benet's
Mass Times**

Mon, Wed, Sat
No Mass

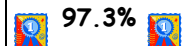
Sunday
9am & 11am

Tue and Thur
10am

**Attendance
& Punctuality**

**Whole School:
95.5%**

**Highest Class:
Y4**

 **97.3%**
Well Done!!

**Number of
Lates
7**



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 Champions of the Week 			
	Star of the Week	Maths Champion	Writer of the Week
Rec	Lucy J	Max W	Anais VBN
Y1	Arthur C	Margot S	Alice W
Y2	Lucas D	Thomas L	Skye G
Y3	Martha T	Lucy-Grace H	Finley L
Y4	Ari P	Amelia K	Ivy C
Y5	Harry R	Isla P	Carl D
Y6	Joel McD	Bradley M	Riley R

Dates for your diary Autumn 2026

Friday 2nd October: Harvest Festival 9:30am

Friday 16th October: Nasal Flu Vaccine - whole school

Friday 23rd October: Welcome Assembly at 9:30am

Friday 31st October: High school application cut off date

Monday 26th to Friday 30th October: School closed for half term

Monday 2nd November: Inset day (school closed for children)

Important after school club information

Our after school clubs for children in Year 1 to Year 6 have now started. The clubs run between 3:15 - 4:15pm.

Children must come in to school wearing their **school uniform**. They can bring in a change of clothing such as football kit/gym wear which they will change into at the end of the school day.

Day	Inside	Outside
Monday	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Gymnastics	Year 3 & 4 Netball
Tuesday	Year 1 & 2 Gymnastics	Year 1 & 2 Football
Wednesday		Year 5 & 6 Netball Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Football
Thursday	Choir: Year 3, 4, 5 & 6	
Friday	Years 1 - 6 Cheerleading	Year 3 - 6 Girls' Football