Friday 16th October 2026

St. Benedict's News

'With Jesus we learn, love and laugh'

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome Assembly
Next **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.

Half term
We break up for half term next **Friday 23rd October** at 3:15pm. Monday 2nd November is an inset day. Children will return to School on **Tuesday 3rd November**. Enjoy the break after a busy half term.

Primary and Secondary School Admissions
If your child is starting Primary or Secondary School in September 2027 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.

Year 6 trip to Western Approaches and International Slavery Museum
On **Monday 16th November** Year 6 are visiting Western Approaches, Liverpool, as part of their History topic. Please can permission slips be sent in and the £12.50 payment be made online via our schoolcomms app asap.

Christmas Fair
Our Christmas fair will take place on **Friday 4th December** at 3.30pm in the school hall. All are welcome. We would be extremely grateful if there are any parents or family members with their own business who are able to donate a small gift.

Mufti Days for Christmas Fair
We will be holding the following mufti days in support of our Christmas Fair. Children are invited to wear their own clothes and bring in the items listed below. Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

- **Friday 6th November** - please bring in **bottles**
- **Friday 20th November** - please bring in unused/**unwanted gifts** such as toiletry sets
- **Friday 4th December** - CHRISTMAS FAIR DAY - please bring in donations of **cakes**

Christmas Panto
The PFSA have organised for all children from Year 1 to Year 6 to see the Panto 'Snow White at The Epstein Theatre in Liverpool on **Monday 14th December**. The trip will cost £17.00 per child. Children have taken home a letter. If you would like them to go, please complete and return the permission slip along with £17.00 **CASH payment in an envelope with their name on** no later than **Friday 23rd October**.

Parent Governor Vacancy
We are currently looking for a Parent Governor to join our friendly governing board. This vital role involves attending three meetings per year to help shape the future of our school. As a Parent Governor, you bring a parental perspective to school decisions, always acting in the best interests of **all** our children. Please note that confidentiality and impartiality are crucial parts of the role. A letter and nomination form were sent home with children earlier this week. If you are interested in supporting our school in this way, please complete and return your form no later than **Friday 30th October**.

St Benet's Mass Times

Mon, Wed, Sat
No Mass

Sunday
9am & 11am

Tue and Thur
10am

Attendance & Punctuality

Whole School: 95.4%

Highest Class: Y1

98.6%

Well Done!!

Number of Lates

17



Champions of the Week

	Star of the Week	Maths Champion	Writer of the Week
Rec	Emma M	Jack B	Violet G
Y1	Thomas K	Henry D	Harper P
Y2	Lucia C	Tommy S	Annabelle D
Y3	Orla P	Seren B	Ava W
Y4	Joseph Mc	Eva Mc	Frankie J
Y5	Emelia S	Violet CB	Harry P
Y6	James C	Delilah P	Abigail S

Dates for your diary Autumn 2026

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)

Friday 6th November: MUFTI - please bring in bottles for our Christmas Fair

Monday 16th November: Year 6 Western Approaches trip

Friday 20th November: MUFTI - please bring in unused/unwanted gifts

Friday 4th December: CHRISTMAS FAIR - MUFTI - please bring in cakes

Monday 14th December: Year 1-6 PFSA Panto

School Term Dates 2026/27

Autumn	Spring	Summer
	Term begins Tuesday 5th January	Term begins Monday 12th April
Half term 26th October - 30th October	Half term 15th - 19th February	Half term 31stMay - 4th June
Term Ends Friday 18th December	Term Ends Thursday 25th March	Term Ends Wednesday 21st July
Inset days Monday 2nd November	**Inset days** Monday 4th January Monday 22nd February	**Inset days** Monday 7th June