



St. Benedict's Primary School

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Every child should have the right and means to fulfil their dreams.

Messages from Mrs Nott

What an amazing end of term we have lined up!

Year 6 had an incredible day at Barry Island beach, Wales, yesterday. They had such fun and their behaviour was impeccable. Well done! Year 6 parents are invited to come in at 9am on 25th July for their leavers' performance.

Transition Our children have met their new teachers and will have a further session with them next week. You are also invited to pop in and say hello to their new class teacher on Wednesday 19th July after school.

Mela
Children should be collected by parents at 1:45pm. The Mela starts at 2pm and will be a great way to enjoy being a community together and to raise money for School Fund.

St. Benedict's got Talent
On the last day of term, we are having our very own talent show. The children are very excited to be performing in this and we have some very talented individuals!

School Uniform

24th and 25th July will be very relaxed days in school and so children can wear non-uniform, in exchange for £1 each day for School Fund.

If your child has grown out of their school uniform, this can be donated to our Uniform Bank, via the school office during the last two days of term, or sooner.

From September, we will have strict expectations for school uniform. Please do ensure your child has the correct uniform and shoes.

Attendance

Congratulations to **1DH** for achieving our whole school attendance target of over 95%.

Thinking of taking your child out of school during term time? The law states that Head Teachers can only authorise an absence in very 'exceptional circumstances.' Holidays are never authorised.

How do I make a request for leave of absence in term time?

1. Complete a leave of absence request form, which you can obtain from the office.
2. The completed form must be returned to school for approval with tickets attached.
3. Mrs. Nott will then write to you to authorise/decline the request.

What will happen if my request is refused but I still take the leave of absence?

Birmingham Educational Authority will issue a penalty notice to you for an unauthorised leave of absence.

It is important that you do not take your child out of the country without informing school. Absences of this nature result in a safeguarding 'Child Missing in Education' investigation.

Diary Dates

18th July	Y2 Performance Assembly
19th July	3:30pm Meet your child's new class teacher
24th July	Mela 2-3:30pm Children need to be collected by parents - 1:45pm
25th July	9am Year 6 Leavers Assembly – parents invited
25th July	St. Benedict's Got Talent - School closes 1pm

Article of the *Rights Respecting School* Week



Article 31 (leisure, play and culture) Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.



This week, in the Votes for Schools lesson, children explored these questions:

KS2 - Should there be more rules at live shows?

KS1 - Should we join in with live shows?



5-7: Should we join in with live shows?
7-11: Should there be more rules at live shows?

When is it okay to join in with a live show? When is it not okay?

Do we need more rules to help us behave in the right way?

Do you like taking part in live shows or would you rather just watch?



Curriculum

Year 1 have been busy practising their food preparation skills in readiness for making their own sandwiches. They have tried cutting, slicing, mashing and grating and used these skills to make a fruit salad. We have lots of budding chefs!



We Read Challenge

The 'We Read Challenge' is aimed at encouraging more of our children to read at home and develop their love of reading. Please sign your child's bookmark each day if they have read at home and return the bookmark the following Monday.

This week's winners are:

Year Group	Name
Reception, Year 1	Hareem, 1M
Year 2 and IH	Raihana, 2A
Year 3, Year 4	Sofie, 3G
Year 5, Year 6	Amna, 5A



Recent winners from KS2