



St. Benedict's Primary School

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Enjoying our rights, fulfilling our dreams. Ambition, Resilience, Respect.

Messages from Mrs Nott



Happy Diwali

Happy Diwali to all who are celebrating this weekend. Next week, we join in with celebrations with arts workshops on Monday and Tuesday morning and a special Diwali-themed meal on Monday. We look forward to seeing you at your child's workshop.

Aladdin Next Wednesday we have a visiting theatre company in to perform Aladdin to us on stage! I'm sure this will be such a treat for our children.

School photographs Make sure children look their best for the school photographer in on Wednesday. If you would like a family photograph taken of your children together, be in school by 8am. This will finish promptly at 8:30am.

What's on?

13th Nov	Diwali workshop Y3,4,5,6, Hub
13th Nov	Diwali themed lunch
14th Nov	Diwali workshop Rec, Y1,2
17th Nov	Children in Need day – colourful clothing.
20th Nov	World Children's Day
20th/21st	Book Fair
24th Nov	Rec and Hub Reading Workshops
24th Nov	Y3 Trip Eco-Park
28th Nov	Workshop – sensory needs

Attendance

Our whole school attendance this week is **92%**



Congratulations to 4P for reaching **98%** attendance this week!

Also well done to the **HUB, 6A, 6J, 5H, 5R, 4N, 3G, 3A, and 2D** for reaching our attendance target 96%

Spotlight on reading

Published authors!

We have some amazing writers across school and some pupils in Year 2 have had their stories published in a book after their work was entered into a competition. Check out our Twitter page and website to see the stories. Well done to our published writers.

Book Fair

Our book fair arrives next week, and your child will have chance to explore the books. Then the following week you will be able to come after school to buy books. The money raised helps to buy other books for school.

Year Group	Name
Reception	Ibtisam
Year 1	Aniya
Year 2	Yahya & Liban
Year 3	Khadijah & Osayd
Year 4	Zain & Ayah
Year 5	Husna & Najat
Year 6	Saimah & Labibah
Hub	Sami

Children in Need



Article 24

You have the right to the best health care possible.

On **Friday 17th November**, St Benedict's Primary School will be fundraising for Children in Need. This year, to raise money we are dressing up with the theme linked to 'Spots'. This can be as simple as wearing bright, colourful clothing or come completely covered in spots! Donations of £1 can be given at the school gate on the morning of Friday 17th November.



School of Sanctuary

Design a Chalk Mural

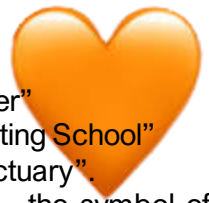
St. Benedict's are working towards becoming a School of Sanctuary. We want to send messages of support and share our pride to be a place of welcome for every child.

Starting on 13th November, we're asking our children to create their own chalk art murals in playgrounds using the orange heart symbol of solidarity with refugees.

At home, children can make a design, which they will recreate with chalk on the playground.

Possible ideas might include:

- "Everyone welcome"
- "Kindness is a superpower"
- "We are a Rights Respecting School"
- "We are a School of Sanctuary"



Don't forget an orange heart – the symbol of solidarity with refugees.

Playground mural designs should be drawn in pen and/or pencil and left at the office or given to Mrs. Clayton by **MONDAY 13th NOVEMBER**.



Curriculum



We provide a range of trips for each year group. For some trips we ask for a financial contribution from parents; but every year group also has trips paid for by the school e.g. Eco-hub trips are paid for by school.

Year 1 Eco-hub trip

Year 1 really enjoyed our trip to the Eco-hub. We learnt about different seasons and focused on Autumn. Children walked through the woods and collected sticks and leaves. We used the natural material to create woodland animals such as squirrels and foxes. Can you guess which animals we made?



Year 5 Visit to Compton Verney

The children had a very exciting time, exploring the ritual vessels from the Shang Dynasty. They were able to touch a vessel 3000 years old. During the visit, they did observational drawings of the ritual vessels and made one from clay. The children are really looking forward to bringing these home.

