ISSUE 2



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# ST. BENEDICT'S NEWSLETTER - 23<sup>RD</sup> OCT 2015

## **Harvest Foodbank**

We would like to say a very big 'thank you' for your kind donation of food that has been given to the school for the local foodbank (The Heart of Narthex).

As always, we are very grateful for your kind generosity.

### **Safety**

Could we please ask that parents do not leave any belongings i.e. pushchairs, bikes etc. on the school grounds? This is dangerous and unsafe for our children. Thank you for your support.

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#### HALF TERM HOLIDAY

MONDAY 26<sup>™</sup> OCTOBER TO FRIDAY 30<sup>™</sup> OCTOBER.
MONDAY 2<sup>™</sup> NOVEMBER IS A TRAINING DAY. BACK TO
SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 3<sup>™</sup> NOVEMBER

# **Pupil Premium**

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As you may be aware, we can claim extra funding from the Government for your child's education in the form of Pupil Premium. If you are in receipt of any of the following benefits, please bring your benefit entitlement letter to the school office:

- Income Support (IS)
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)
- Child Tax Credit only (no element of Working Tax Credit WTC)
- Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Support under Part V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit

# **School Uniform/Lost Property**

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You will be able to purchase school uniform every Monday morning between 8.30 am - 9.00 am.

Once again, there are a large amount of coats which have been mislaid. Please ensure your child's clothing is labelled with their name and class. This will help us to return them to the rightful owner!!

# Attendance/Punctuality

Parents, please support us in bringing your child to school every day and on time. Our doors open at 8.35am. Your child should be in class by 8.45am at the latest. If you could book medical/dental appointments out of school hours that would be really helpful in keeping our attendance figure in line with government expectations.

# **Forthcoming Events**

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Year 2 trip to the Cinema on 6<sup>th</sup> November.

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- Year 1 trip to the Cinema on 18<sup>th</sup> November.
- Book Fair arriving at the school week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> November further details to follow.

### Reminders

- If you have a child born between 01-09-2011 and 31-08-2012 they will be due to start Reception in September 2016. Please complete the relevant Local Authority Preference Form which can be obtained from the school office.
- Children who are currently in Year 2 will also need to complete the relevant
  preference form requesting Year 3 place for September 2016. You can also
  apply online using Birmingham City Council Website address which is
  <a href="https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions">www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions</a>. If you require assistance, please
  ask at the school office.

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