



# THE ST. BENET'S NEWSLETTER

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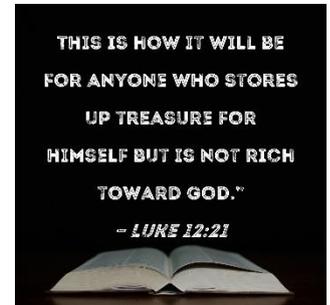
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## A FOCUS ON GOD

This week, our assemblies and prayer time have helped us to think about what it really means to be rich. In the parable of the rich man and the poor man, Jesus teaches us that true wealth is not found in money or possessions, but in our faith and in the gifts that God has given us. The children have been reflecting on how God calls us to use those gifts well so that we can enjoy life to the full, both here on earth and in eternity with Him.



We have also been reminded in the Gospel of the importance of listening and believing. By paying attention to the words of the prophets, we can allow our faith to grow stronger and be encouraged by the promises God has made. The children have been encouraged to make space for stillness, to listen for God's voice and to let His word guide their choices. Our prayers this week have been inspired by the angels, who remind us that God is always with us, protecting and guiding us. We pray that, like the angels, we may live in God's presence and share His love with those around us.

## THANK YOU TO OUR PTA

A big thank you to our wonderful PTA for organising the cake sale in school this week. It was a lovely event enjoyed by many and we are so grateful for the time and effort that goes into making these things happen. We will let you know the total amount raised very soon!

I also want to thank those parents who attended the AGM on Wednesday in school. It was lovely to meet with the members present and to discuss some of the exciting plans for the year ahead.

## HAVE YOUR SAY ON WRAPAROUND CARE

We are currently exploring the possibility of developing our wraparound care provision and we want to hear from you. Your views as parents are really important in helping us understand what works well at the moment, what challenges you face and what additional support could make a difference for your family.

A consultation is now open and we warmly encourage all parents to take part. By sharing your feedback, you will help us shape the future of wraparound care so that it best meets the needs of our school community. [CLICK HERE TO TAKE PART](#)

## CLOTHING BIN AT ST. BENET'S

Did you know that we have a clothing recycling bin at the entrance to our school? Anyone can use it to drop off unwanted clothing items, including footwear. It's a simple way to clear out things you no longer need, while also helping the school at the same time.

All donations placed in the bin are collected and recycled and every bag helps to raise valuable funds for our school. So, next time you're sorting through cupboards or wardrobes, please keep us in mind—your unwanted clothes can make a real difference!

## PARENT AND TEACHER MEETINGS

Advanced notice that these are due to take place on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> October. A letter with more information will be sent home next week!



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Artsmark  
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Awarded by Arts  
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## **HARVEST ASSEMBLY & FOODBANK DONATIONS**

Next Friday, we will be holding our Harvest Assembly during Celebration Assembly and we warmly invite all parents to join us. We will be starting at the slightly earlier time of 2:30pm.

In the spirit of giving, we are collecting donations for our local foodbank. Items can be brought into school throughout next week so please feel free to send in anything you can contribute. A letter with more information was sent home earlier this week. We look forward to coming together as a school community to celebrate the harvest and support those in need.

### **PTA SPOOKY DISCO**

Get ready for some spooky fun! Our PTA Spooky Disco will take place on Wednesday 22nd October in school. Tickets are £5 each and include snacks, drinks, and games.

Fancy dress is optional, but we ask that children dress appropriately, as some of our youngest pupils will be in attendance. All children must be collected at the end of the disco and we kindly ask parents to let us know of any dietary requirements in advance.

It promises to be a fun-filled event for all the children—don't miss out! Scan the QR code to book your place!



### **WELL DONE MARCELINO – FAMILY'S NORFOLK HIKE OF HOPE FOR CHARITY! - UPDATE**

On 20th and 21st September, my family and I completed our 38-mile Family Hike of Hope from St. John the Baptist Cathedral, Norwich to Walsingham. Every step we took was for a cause — to support displaced children and families affected by war, conflict and persecution.

We walked in solidarity with those who cannot walk freely in faith or safety. The funds raised will go towards helping families in Gaza, Ukraine, Nigeria, and many other places where Aid to the Church in Need is bringing hope and practical support.

Thanks to your incredible encouragement and generosity, we have already raised just over £2,900 — and this amount will be matched, doubling the impact!

### **LOCAL AUTUMN MARKET**

Tomorrow, Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October, there will be an Autumn Market taking place in Beccles Public Hall and Theatre. There is free entry for all who attend and it will be running from 10am until 3pm. Please show your support to this community event.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **OCTOBER**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> – 2:30pm – Harvest Assembly

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> – Parent and Teacher Meetings

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> – AM – Flu Immunisations

– 5:00pm – 6:30pm – PTA Spooky Disco

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> – 3:15pm – School Closes for Half-Term

### **NOVEMBER**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8:45am – School Opens

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> – Stay and Pray for Beech Class

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Stay and Pray for Rowan Class

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – Stay and Pray for Oak Class