



THE ST. BENET'S NEWSLETTER

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BROTHERS AND SISTERS

In last Sunday's Gospel, Jesus prepared His disciples for the challenges they may face, yet His message was full of hope. He reminded them that God is always close, offering strength and comfort in difficult times. It is a reminder for us, too, that trust in Jesus can guide us through any uncertainty.

At St Benet's, the children have been reflecting on this theme throughout the week. Using Joshua 1:9 and the 'Litany of Trust,' they have been considering the many ways Jesus stays with us, even when things feel challenging. We have also kept in our prayers those across the world who are persecuted for their faith, holding them in our thoughts as part of our shared Christian family.

These quiet moments of prayer and reflection are helping the children understand that trusting in Jesus shapes how we live each day. It helps us respond with kindness, face difficulties with courage and remember that we are never alone.



CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES – REMINDER!

As we move into this joyful season, we have a number of Christmas events planned for our children and families to enjoy. We hope the coming weeks will be filled with celebration, community and festive spirit across the school.

- **Monday 1st December** – The children will be visiting the Hungate Church Christmas Tree Festival, where they will have the chance to see the beautifully decorated trees created by local groups and organisations.
- **Friday 5th December** – Our sister school, St Edmund's in Bungay, is holding their PTFA Christmas Market. Families from our school are warmly invited to attend. Entry is £1 for adults (including a free mug of mulled wine), and children enter for free.
- **Friday 12th December** – The whole school will be heading to the Marina Theatre in Lowestoft for our annual visit to the pantomime, always a much-loved Christmas tradition.

INFORMATION AND CONSENT WILL BE SENT HOME NEXT WEEK

- **Tuesday 16th December** – Our Christmas Carol Service and Nativity will take place at 2pm, followed by tea, coffee and mince pies for families. We look forward to sharing this special occasion with you.
- **Wednesday 17th December** – We will be enjoying Christmas Dinner Day and Christmas Jumper Day
- *****DATE CHANGE!*** - Thursday 18th December** - PTFA film night after school. More details below!
- **Friday 19th December** – School closes for the Christmas holidays.

We look forward to celebrating these festive events together as we journey through Advent towards Christmas.



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PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

We are holding an election for a new Parent Governor. This role supports governance across both of our schools and is an important way for parents to contribute to our community.

Nomination forms are available from the school office or can be downloaded from our school website. A letter with further information is attached to this newsletter email. We encourage any interested parents to consider putting themselves forward or speak with Mr Kennedy for further information.

MESSAGE FROM OUR PTA! - CHRISTMAS FILM NIGHT

Hello Everyone,

Please join us for a Christmas film night straight after school on Thursday the 18th of December. We will be watching Arthur Christmas and will be serving hot chocolate and cookies (included in ticket price).

The cost will be £5 per child. Please pay via this link:
<https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QJELYS8E>

Please bring your child's dressing gown and or blanket to help them cozy up and get comfy during the film. If you drop them off at reception in a named bag at reception in the morning for your child to have after school.

All parents are welcome to join, the film will finish at 17:15 so please come at this time to collect them from school. Hope to see you all there! From the PTA



JOIN US FOR A
CHRISTMAS MOVIE

COSY UP FOR A CHRISTMAS MOVIE NIGHT!
WITH HOT CHOCOLATE AND COOKIES.

SCREEN:	SCHOOL HALL
DATE:	THURSDAY 18 TH DEC
SHOWING TIME:	15.15-17.15
MOVIE:	ARTHUR CHRISTMAS
TICKET PRICE:	£5 EACH

PLEASE USE THE LINK PROVIDED OR QR CODE TO BOOK TICKETS AND INCLUDE
CHILD'S NAME & DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

PARENTS WELCOME. IF YOU WANT TO SNUGGLE UP, BRING A DRESSING GOWN, PILLOW OR BLANKET IN A NAMED BAG.

SCAN TO BOOK!

STAY AND PRAY - OAK CLASS

We have our Oak Class 'Stay and Pray' session on Monday. This session will take place at the end of the day, at 2:45pm, before the children are collected. We warmly invite parents and carers to join us for a special time of quiet reflection, allowing families to pause together and share in our school's prayer life.

UNIFORM

As mentioned last week, we are consulting on changes to our uniform arrangements for next academic year following legislation currently working through parliament. Please can you take a few minutes to click on the link below and share your thoughts on changes to our uniform policy.

LINK TO THE CONSULTATION - <https://forms.gle/9MgXTdvh5bCorQNY6>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

NOVEMBER

Monday 24th – 2.45pm Stay and Pray for Oak Class

Friday 28th – Hungate Christmas Tree Festival

DECEMBER

Friday 1st – 10:00am – Hungate Christmas Tree Visit

Friday 5th – 11:00am – Beech Class Mass

Friday 12th – Pantomime Trip – Marina Theatre, Lowestoft

Tuesday 16th – 2:00pm – Christmas Carol Service and Nativity

Wednesday 17th – Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner

Thursday 18th – Christmas Film Night

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