



## THE ST. BENET'S NEWSLETTER

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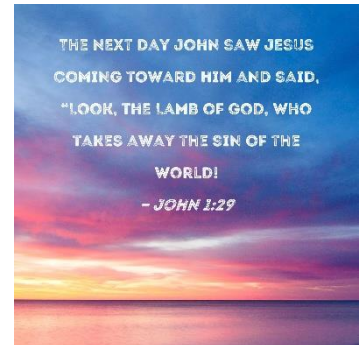
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026



### TRUE IDENTITY

This week at St Benet's, our worship has focused on recognising the true identity of Jesus. The children have reflected on how John the Baptist came to understand who Jesus really was, and how, with the help of the Holy Spirit, we too are called to recognise God at work in our lives and to be witnesses for Him in the world.

In prayer, the children have been encouraged to look at the world through Jesus' loving eyes. Using images to support reflection, they have thought about how their words and actions can show kindness, compassion and truth. These moments have helped the children consider how they can live out their faith each day by being positive witnesses to God's love.



### A MESSAGE ABOUT POSITIVE COMMUNICATION

We have recently been made aware of reports of negative comments being made on the playground between adults, including comments about children, missing uniform and other incidents. Conversations of this nature can quickly lead to upset and misunderstanding and rarely result in issues being resolved.

As a school, we work hard to instil Gospel Values in our children. This week our focus is Peace and next week it will be Kindness. We ask that our parents and carers also model these values, as children learn so much from what they see and hear from the adults around them. We recognise that school life is not always perfect and that concerns will arise from time to time. However, for things to improve, concerns need to be raised in the correct way. If you have a worry, please speak directly to your child's class teacher, Mr Kennedy or Miss Lyons so that it can be addressed appropriately and constructively.

If any parent feels uncomfortable about comments made to them by others, we ask that this is brought to the attention of Mr Kennedy or Miss Lyons so that we can support all involved and maintain a respectful and positive school community. Thank you for your continued support in helping us create a peaceful and kind environment for everyone.

### TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS DAY! – FRIDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY

We are excited to be launching Times Tables Rock Stars and to celebrate, we will be holding a Times Tables Rock Stars Day on Friday 30th January. On this day, children are invited to come to school dressed as rockstars — think crazy hair, rockstar make up and wild outfits! There will be an optional £1 donation on the day, with all proceeds going to our PTFA to help support school events and activities.

Throughout the day, children will be logging onto the Times Tables Rock Stars platform, exploring how it works and testing out their times tables knowledge in a fun and engaging way. This is an exciting new resource that will support children in developing confidence and speed with their multiplication facts. We will be celebrating some of the children's successes from the day during our Celebration Assembly, recognising effort, progress and great rockstar attitudes to learning.

We are really looking forward to a fun-filled day of maths, music and multiplication. Thank you for your continued support.



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# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

## **JANUARY**

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> – Times Tables Rockstars Day

## **FEBRUARY**

WB 9<sup>th</sup> – Children’s Mental Health Week, NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Workshops and Safer Internet Day

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> – School Closes for the Half-Term Break  
– Non-uniform Day – Wear Red

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Ash Wednesday – Lent Begins

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – School Opens

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> – Distribution of Ashes Service – 2:30pm

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> – Forest School – Y6

## **MARCH**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Stay and Pray – Oak Class

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> – World Book Day Celebrations

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> – Forest School – Y5

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> – Rowan Class Mass – 11am

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – Stay and Pray – Rowan Class

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> – Forest School – Y4

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> – Beech Class Mass – 11am

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Stay and Pray – Beech Class

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> – Forest School – Y3

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> – Oak Class Mass – 11am

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> – Parent Teacher Meetings

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> – Forest School – Y2

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> – School Closes for Easter Holidays

## **APRIL**

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> – Easter Sunday

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – School Opens

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> – Forest School – Y1/R

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Forest School – Y1/R