



THE ST. BENET'S NEWSLETTER

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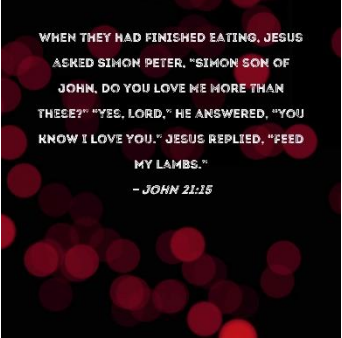
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AMAZING MYSTERIES: THE CHURCH

This week at St Benet's, our worship has focused on the feast of Saints Peter and Paul, two remarkable disciples whose faith, courage and dedication helped to establish the early Church. The children have reflected on how the Church is much more than a building; it is a community of people united in following Jesus and sharing His love with the world.

Inspired by the example of St Paul, the children have considered how they can give their best each day through kindness, service and prayer. As we approach the end of the school year, it is wonderful to see our children continuing to live out our mission by caring for one another and growing together in faith.



We will be having an end of term Leavers' Mass on Monday 6th at 11:00am in St. Benet's Church. We hope all members of our school community can join us for this.

CLASS STRUCTURE FOR NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR

A letter will be circulated on Tuesday with the structure for September. My sincere apologies for not circulating something this week as hoped. I will be around after school on Tuesday if any parents would like to speak to me about this.

AN EXCITING WEEK OF SPORT AHEAD!

We have a fantastic week planned next week! On Monday, we are delighted to welcome GB Judo athlete Wesley Greenidge to school. Wesley will be leading a series of exciting workshops with the children before delivering an inspirational whole-school assembly and Q&A session, sharing his experiences as an elite athlete. To enable everyone to take part fully, all children should come to school in their PE kits on Monday.

Our annual Sports Day will then take place on Tuesday afternoon, starting at 1:15pm. Children should also come to school in their PE kits on Tuesday, ready to enjoy an afternoon of fun, teamwork and competition. With warm weather expected (but not as warm as this week), please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school on both days so they can stay well hydrated throughout these exciting activities.

CHILDREN DO NOT NEED TO HAVE ANY SPORTS DRINKS PROVIDED ON THESE DAYS, E.G. LUCOZADE. WE WILL ENSURE THEY STAY HYDRATED WITH WATER. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

WOW! WOW! WOW!

On Wednesday evening, our fantastic St Benet's Dance Club took to the stage at the Marina Theatre, Lowestoft, performing alongside schools from across the local area. We could not be prouder of the confidence, enthusiasm and energy our children brought to the performance. Their routines to The Weatherman Remix and Here Comes the Sun were simply outstanding, and it is fair to say they stole the show! The children represented St Benet's with incredible pride, demonstrating not only their talent but also their teamwork, commitment and enjoyment throughout.

A huge thank you goes to Miss McEntee, who has worked tirelessly throughout the year to choreograph the routines and support the children in preparing for this special event. We are also incredibly grateful to all of the staff and families who helped with rehearsals, costumes and preparations behind the scenes. Most importantly, congratulations to our amazing dancers. Your hard work and dedication paid off, and you were wonderful ambassadors for our school. Well done, everyone!

Following this week's incredible performance at the Marina Theatre, Dance Club will be taking a well-earned break next week. Dance Club will resume the following week.



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Silver Award
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WEDNESDAY WORD AND WAKE UP WEDNESDAY!

Did you get this week's update? Please contact the school office if you didn't receive the update or have any queries around the content.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB - GROWING FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH!

Our After School Club continues to grow in popularity, providing a fun, safe and engaging environment for children at the end of the school day. Led by Emma, our Wraparound Care Assistant, children enjoy a wide range of activities including arts and crafts, modelling with homemade play dough, reading, homework support, outdoor play using our sports equipment and trim trail, as well as quiet time with games and children's television.

We're also excited to introduce two new themed sessions:

THURSDAY MOVIE CLUB - complete with popcorn, drinks and ice lollies alongside a family-friendly film.

FRIDAY OUTDOOR PICNIC & GAMES - featuring playground games, sports activities and bubble fun (weather permitting, with indoor activities available if needed).

Sessions can be booked in advance via WisePay:

3:15pm-4:30pm: £5 per session

3:15pm-5:45pm: £10 per session

If you would like to find out more, please speak to Emma at collection time or contact the school office. We would love to welcome more children to our fantastic after-school provision!

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE – REMINDER

As we move towards the end of the academic year, we would like to take a moment to thank you for your ongoing support with your child's attendance. Regular attendance makes a real difference to children's progress, wellbeing and confidence. We are currently just below the national average for attendance but we are very close to being in line, which would be a fantastic achievement for our school community.

We are also pleased to share that, through your continued support this year, we have halved the number of children classed as persistently absent compared to last academic year. This is a significant improvement and reflects the commitment of our families working in partnership with the school.

We are very grateful for your efforts in ensuring children are in school and ready to learn each day. Your support truly helps us to make a positive difference for every child.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JUNE

Monday 29th – Judo British Athlete to visit school

Tuesday 30th – Sports Day – 1pm – 3:15pm

JULY

Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd – Y6 Transition Days at Bungay High School

Monday 6th – Leavers' Mass in St. Benet's Church – 11am

Friday 10th – Y6 Transition Day at Notre Dame High School

– PTFA Non-Uniform Day – Festival Vibes!

Tuesday 14th – Thursday 16th – Y6 Transition Days at Sir John Leman High School

Friday 17th – Y6 Leavers' Assembly – 2:15pm

– School Closes for the End of the School Year