ST. BENET'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY – WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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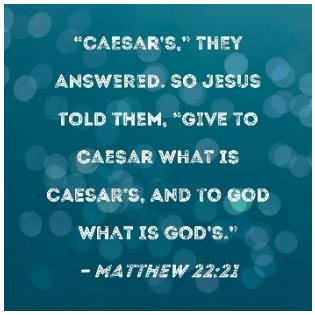
*****SCHOOL CLOSES AT 3:15PM NEXT THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER FOR THE HALF-TERM BREAK*****

WE BELONG TO GOD



This week at St Benet's, we have been reflecting on Jesus' words in Matthew's Gospel: "Give to God what belongs to God." Jesus reminds us that our relationship with God should be at the heart of our lives. Everything we have, including our talents, our time and the opportunities we are given, can be used to serve God and others.

Today, we came together for our Harvest Assembly, led beautifully by our school chaplains. Harvest is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on all that we have been given and to recognise the importance of sharing what we have with those who may need it. A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for your incredibly generous donations. Your kindness will make a real difference to others in our community.

Our Harvest celebration has been a wonderful example of this week's Gospel Value. When we put God first, we are called to be generous, compassionate and willing to give of ourselves to others. As we continue through the autumn term, let us remember that we belong to God and that our Compassion, Faith and Resilience can guide us in how we use our gifts to make a positive difference in the lives of others.

PLEASE NOTE, THERE WILL BE NO CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY NEXT WEEK.

PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS – TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER

Our Autumn Term Parent/Teacher Meetings will take place next week on Tuesday 20th October in school. Thank you to those parents who completed the online form requesting an appointment time. Your appointment time will be sent home today. If there are any difficulties with the appointment time, please contact the school office who will try their best to rearrange. Please note that this may not be possible.

Meetings will take place in the school hall and entry will be through the door next to the main entrance. We look forward to meeting with you and working together to support your child's progress and wellbeing.

NON-UNIFORM DAY – THURSDAY 22 OCTOBER

We are pleased to announce that Thursday 22 October will be a non-uniform day! We kindly ask families to make a £1 donation per child in support of our wonderful PTA, helping them to continue providing additional opportunities and experiences for our children.

Please use the appropriate link below to make your donation:

- £1 per child: https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QJYAPC41
- Sibling payment: https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QFZAEQ18

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and generosity. It makes a real difference to our schools and our children.

PUPIL CONTACT INFORMATION - URGENT

A reminder that the deadline for returning the Pupil Contact Information Sheets is today. If you haven't submitted yours, please can we ask you do this asap to reduce the administrative burden on our office staff who will have to chase up missing forms.

HAVE YOUR SAY – THE FUTURE OF HOSPITAL CARE

Healthwatch Norfolk is inviting people across Norfolk and Waveney to share their views about hospital care and help shape its future. The survey asks about people's experiences of hospital care, what matters most to them and what they would like hospital services to look like in the future. The feedback will help inform the development of the Norfolk and Waveney University Hospitals Group's future Clinical Strategy.

Whether you have recently used hospital services or simply have views about the future of local healthcare, your voice matters. Complete the survey:
https://healthwatchnorfolk.co.uk/get-involved/future-of-healthcare-norfolk-and-waveney/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

If you would prefer to share your views by telephone, you can call Healthwatch Norfolk on 0808 168 9669. Alternative formats, including Easy Read and large print, are also available by contacting enquiries@healthwatchnorfolk.co.uk.

Thank you for taking the time to share your views and help ensure the voices of local communities are heard.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER

Tuesday 20th – Marina Theatre Assembly and Workshops
– Parent/Teacher Meetings
Wednesday 21st – PTFA Spooky Bake Sale after school
Thursday 22nd – Flu Vaccinations (Reception to Year 6)
– School Closes for Half-Term

NOVEMBER

Monday 2nd – School Opens