# St Benedict's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

"As unique individuals, we do our best at work and play for the love of God and others."

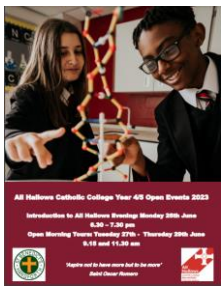
## Important Reminders FOR ALL PARENTS:

**From September we will be asking new-to-Reception parents to buy a back pack instead of the reading book bag. The bag below is available from our online provider.**

**We are encouraging KS1 children to also buy the bag(does not include the water bottle). Space is limited and we are planning some improvements to the cloakroom over the summer to include shelving for bags. At the moment, the bags that children are bringing are unnecessarily large. If your child is currently in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, you do not have to buy the backpack, but we are hoping that you will do to support us to improve the children's cloakroom. If you are planning to buy a new packback this summer, please buy this green one so you don't have wasted costs in the future. We will phase in the use of the back pack so that it will eventually become compulsory uniform. As with all uniform, if you need financial assistance, please contact us. (If you order soon, it can be delivered to school to save the delivery cost).**

On Monday 19th June at 3pm, I will be holding a parent meeting for **parents of year 5 pupils** to discuss the process for Secondary school applications. I strongly suggest that you attend so that you understand how the process works.

**All Hallows have shared their open evening dates with us:**




**Monday 20th June 6.30-7.30pm and tours of the school Tuesday 27th and Thursday 29th June 9.15am and 11.30am**

**Please do not allow your child to bring a football to school. We have plenty and it causes upset if they are lost or played with by others.**

**If you have payments for trips/residentials still outstanding, please make payments as soon as you can. We have a huge amount outstanding and we are in danger of having to cancel trips.**

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# SPORTS DAY FESTIVAL

BE A PART OF IT!

**THURSDAY 29TH JUNE**

☀WEATHER PERMITTING☀

**1PM-4PM**

CHEER YOUR CHILD ON AT SPORTS DAY!

**4PM-6PM**

CONTINUE THE AFTERNOON WITH
GAMES - PIZZA & HOT DOGS - BAR
FACE PAINTING - MUSIC
SUMMER RAFFLE
& LOTS OF FUN

RESERVE DATE: 7TH JULY
(IF 29TH JUNE CANCELLED)

## Half Term Tennis Camp

A day of fun warm ups, motor skill development and tennis practice.

Wednesday 31st May at Handforth Hall Tennis Club

Full day - 10-3.30pm (£20)

Half day - 10-12.30pm (£13)

Contact Jonny to book- jonny.healey@tennistykes.co.uk

**Can you solve the mystery of the missing tents?**

**1st Lindow Scout Group pitch a challenge to the budding young sleuths of Wilmslow to help solve a fun mystery this summer.**

The make-believe mystery surrounds the Scouts' tents, which have disappeared. The Scout Group leaders are asking for help to uncover the tents' whereabouts, following the directions and solving clues.

Clues are hidden around town, along a 2km walking route that anyone can join.

The family-friendly and pushchair-friendly walking route starts at Sainsbury's and ends at The Carrs Park playground. Depending on how fast you solve the clues and how fast you walk, it should take between half an hour and 2 hours to finish.

The mystery guide costs £5 if choosing to receive the adventure by email or £7.50 if choosing to receive a printed copy by post. The guide includes all directions and clues to allow you to solve this Wilmslow mystery.

The missing tents mystery is suitable for 6 years and up, with adult help. And as an extra incentive to put on your walking shoes and thinking caps, there's a possible £50 reward on offer.

When you've worked out the whereabouts of the missing tents and the culprit, you will be entered into the prize draw on 1st July. For Beavers, Cubs and Scouts, taking part can count towards a Challenge Badge. **How to take part** Order your mystery kit online here: 1st Lindow (St John's) Scout Group

# Free Half Term art workshop

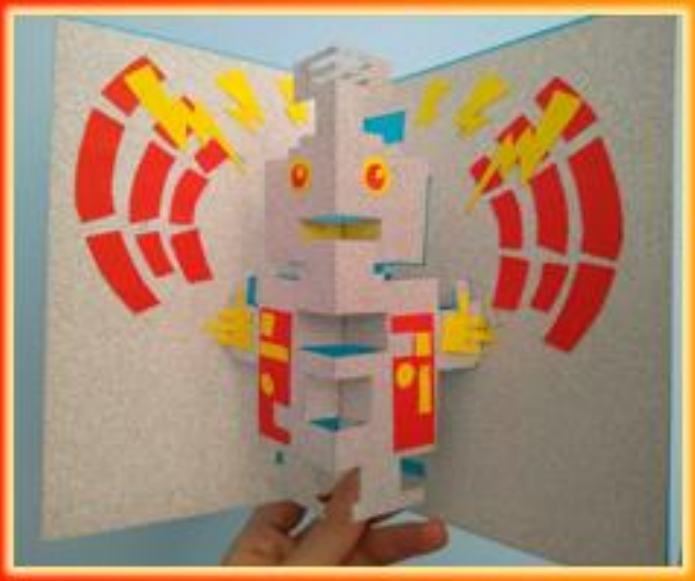
## Drop-in, no need to book!

When: ***Tuesday 30th May***

Where: ***Handforth Library, Wilmslow Rd, Handforth, Cheshire, Wilmslow SK9 3ES***

Time: ***1-2.30PM***

***Come along and work with professional artist***



**Paul Pickford** ***to have fun with pop-up paper engineering.***

*Supported by FOHS (Friends of Handforth Station), to inspire and celebrate the continuing creative development of our community Train Station. Find out more about FOHS here:*

**https://www.handforthstation.org.uk/**

# CLASS INFORMATION

**Reception**

Homework: Please read your book and draw a picture and write a sentence about your week off.

Year 1

Homework: E-books, phonics homework and another sample phonics screening check to go through. Please keep practising the phonics screening checks with your child as this will help them a great deal. Please do not allow your child to bring Pokemon cards into school. They are causing too much upset!

Year 2

Comprehension task and reading. Please use this website: https://www.topmarks.co.uk/time/teaching-clock to practise telling the time with your child. They are good at o'clock, half and quarter past/to but need more practise with telling the time to the 5 minutes.

PLEASE note that due to unforeseen circumstances, the Y2 trip to Knowsley Safari Park has been moved to Monday the 12th June. We will assume that lunch choices and consents are still valid but please contact us if not.

Year 3

English: 76-77
Maths: 82-83
If the children would like to keep a journal of what they eat over half-term as part of our work in science about nutrition and healthy food, it would be much appreciated. After half-term please ensure that children have full PE kits including their trainers. Please send in a water bottle.

Year 4
English: p40-43 maths: 70-71 and 78-79 Homework books will be due back on the 16th June because of York PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE practise timestables because we will be completing the multiplication check on the first week back. Please bring in plastic bottles with lids for two art projects.

Year 5

Homework: Spellings on spelling shed. Maths p68-69 English p56-57

In our final half-term together, the children will have an opportunity to teach the class about something they are passionate about. The can begin preparing this lesson/ presentation over half-term. It should be something they know lots about.

Year 6

Please can children learn their lines for the end-of-year performance

Homework: Write a recount about a day spent with family during the holidays (see emails for details)

Spellings on spelling shed

Orchard

Homework: Please complete the maths and literacy worksheet

# Catholic life

**Click here for the parish newsletter.**

**Please click here for the Wednesday word edition**

**On Sunday we celebrate Pentecost –the 7th Sunday of Easter. Pentecost marks the day that the Holy Spirit came down upon the Apostles and gave them the ability to talk in different languages so that can spead the Good News throughout the world. It is marked as the beginnings of the church so we have celebrated the Church's birthday in school.**

**St Benedict's Church : on the first, second and fourth Sunday of each month there is a children's liturgy at St Benedict's and all children are welcome. On the first and third Sunday of each month, there is a coffee morning for all parishoners.**

**Local churches:**

**St Benedict's Handforth:**

Tuesday to Friday 930am Sunday 10am and 530pm

Website: https://stbenedictshandforth.wixsite.com/mysite

**St Teresa's Wilmslow:**
Mass times: Monday to Friday at 10.00 am, Saturdays at 6.30 pm (Vigil Mass), Sundays at 9.00 am & 10.30 am

Website: http://www.stteresawilmslow.org/mass-times

**St Pius X Alderley:**

Saturday 6.30pm and Sunday 8.30 and 10am

Website: https://stpiusalderley.com/

# Our Sponsors

School budgets are tight so we are really grateful to those who sponsor us. It helps us to make things go a little further! If your company would like to sponsor is, please get in touch and we will display your logo here too. Every little helps!

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If you have concerns about a child who attends our school and would like to raise a **safeguarding concern** – you can email headteacher@stbenedicts.cheshire.sch.uk . If you have concerns about a child who does not attend our school you will find information here: https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell/care-and-support-for-children/are-you-concerned-about-a-child/cheshire-east-consultation-service-checs/checs.aspx or can call Cheshire East Safeguarding team on **0300 123 5012**

**There is information on our website about help for a range of issues including domestic abuse. Please ask if you need some confidential advice.**

**Attendance**: Holidays in term-time of **5 days or more**, will be referred for a fixed penalty notice from the Local Authority. If parents do not call or email school to explain why their child is absent, it will be recorded as unathorised. 5 unauthorsied days will also be referred for a fixed penalty notice. In addition, staff will have to make a house call to ensure the well-being of the pupil. Please call or email to inform us. You can see the full policy here: https://www.stbenedicts.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/10554763%20

Please contact the school office if your child is absent. I do not always see my emails in time.

**If you, your child, or another family member needs urgent mental health care, you can contact the Crisis helpline**

Please call 0800 145 6485 and the dedicated local staff will support you to access the help you need. The phone line is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week and is open to people of all ages – including children and young people.