### 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."

# Christmas cards have been sent home this week. Please return the slip AND PAYMENT by next Friday (22<sup>nd</sup>). Thank you to the PTA for organising.

St Joan of Arc (red house) will be having an ice-cream, scooter and bike party at 2pm on Wednesday. Please can children from red house bring their bikes and scooters to school on Wednesday.

The choir are singing at mass on Sunday please arrive by 9.45am – the children sing before mass so make sure they arrive in time for that!



Thank you to those of you who turned up for the PTA meeting this week. The PTA have planned some activities for children this half-term. Unfortunately, due to a lack of volunteers, there will not be a disco this term. Now that many of the children of PTA members have left the school, there are not enough helpers to organise things. We are in danger of losing the PTA which will be a great shame because it has made a huge amount of money over the last 7 years and organised some excellent activities for the children. Please get in touch with <a href="mailto:stbenedictspta@gmail.com">stbenedictspta@gmail.com</a> if you would like more information about how you can help.

If your child is in year 3 or above, they must bring **<u>old shoes/trainers</u>** to school in a bag to keep on their peg if they want to play on the field when it is a little bit wetter.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Kalladanthyil fund so far. We will keep it open for one more week <u>https://www.gofundme.com/manage/john-paul-kalladanthyil?fss=1</u>

## Go Potty

#### Pottery Painting Classes

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Go Potty is thrilled to be able to offer one off pottery painting classes at St. Benedicts.

Children lave to be creative and what better way than to paint their very own pottery. Each piece will be glazed and fired to create a glossy individual masterpiece your child can treasure.

There will just be one class per half term, concentrating on a different theme depending on the time of year ig Halloween, Xmas, Valentines, Mother's Day, Easter, Eather's Day.

The 1<sup>st</sup> class will be Halloween themed and will be on Wednesday  $11^{tb}$  October 3.30 – 4.30. The class will be available for all students in reception through to yr6.

All pottery will be delivered back to the children at school the following week.

The price is £8.50 per class. Parents can book by going on the following link. <u>https://bookwhen.com/gopotty</u>. Please ensure you click on the correct school. Places are limited and are on a 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> served basis.

Payment can be made by:

- Bank transfer, please contact me for details.
- cash or cheque (made payable to Shauna Almand). Please ensure payment is in a sealed envelope with your child's name on the front. It can be left at the school office.

Dates for further classes will be sent out at the start of each half term.

Mobile: 07870 825080 Email: gopotty@outlook.com

#### **CLASS INFORMATION**

#### Reception

The children have had an excellent week and are now beginning to be familiar with the routines, we can see the children considering the feelings of others and strong friendships developing. Homework this week is to explore Phonics and Maths Shed. The children have been given log-ins with a username, password and QR code, please keep them safe. I have set an assignment for each to help navigate the website.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> October at 9am, Reception children will perform a scarecrow song for their parents to mark Harvest Festival Week. Children will need a simple scarecrow costume. Please talk to the Reception team if you need help with this



**Year 1** Work to be completed is the homework bags. Please read the e-books too. Well done to everyone for another fantastic week. Thank you for the homework effort – almost everyone completed the work! Well done!

Year 2. What a fantastic week for year 2! Children are showing a really positive attitude towards their learning. Please complete homework sheets by Wednesday and read the ebook (the password is Reading1) and can you make sure that your child has a water bottle in school each day.

Year 3

Maths: 14&15 English 38&39 (to be in by Wednesday)

Please bring in a photo of your child's baptism.

Please give consent and pay for the school trip to Tatton Park on School Gateway app – trip is on the 5<sup>th</sup> October. If your child has a Free School Meal, please inform the office if your child would like a ham, cheese or tuna sandwich. admin@stbenedicts.cheshire.sch.uk

Year 4 A wonderful start to the year from everyone! PE is on Tuesday and Friday – please ensure you have a full kit including trainers in school. Homework: English pages 6&7 Maths pages 6 & 7. Please hand homework in before Friday. Spellings on spelling shed.

Please pay some timestables games on maths shed or timestables.co.uk

Year 5 Writing numbers as words worksheet English – 38 & 39 Maths – 16 & 17 Spellings on spelling shed. Please bring spare shoes for the field and PE kits.

Year 6

4<sup>th</sup> October – Year 6 will hold a class assembly for parents (and family members) at 9am for around 15 minutes

Homework: English pages 94 & 95

Maths pages 16 & 17

Spellings on spelling shed. Please bring spare shoes for the field and PE kits.

Please choose 3 high schools and make your application on the Cheshire East website before 31<sup>st</sup> October (see last week's newsletter)

Orchard

Complete the grammar worksheet which has been sent home.

### **Catholic life**

Click here for the parish newsletter.

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

Next week in assembly, we will learn about the Beatitudes and the Sermon on the Mount. We will watch a little video about it <u>https://youtu.be/Ze7w3-BL3OM</u>

Dear God, Thank you for providing help and hope. Help us remember that you are near. And help us to count on you for our peace and happiness. Let us seek what truly matters. Thank you for your love.

In Jesus's name, Amen!

#### Saint Benedict, Pray for us Saint Benedict, Pray for them

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/

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-abouta-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.

<u>Attendance</u>: 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: <u>https://www.stbenedicts.cheshire.sch.uk/serve\_file/10554763%20</u>

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.

Other notices:

If you are a victim of domestic abuse you can find support here