



# Benedict Biscop CE Academy Newsletter

14th July 2023

It has been another brilliant week in school. The children enjoyed transition day on Monday where they got to spend time in their new classes with their new teachers. Today we enjoyed gathering as a community for the final Eucharist of the year, thank you to everyone who could attend. Next week we look forward to the last 4 days in school before the Summer holidays. Yay! Mrs Clark

Class	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	97.08%	95.35%	94.35%	98.52%	95.73%	97.86%	93.95%	94.52%

## Staying Safe

a parent's/ carers guide

We all love our gadgets.

Whatever devices we use - games consoles, mobile phones or

computers, being online with them allows us to access useful information whenever we need it, and stay in touch with friends and family. It is natural that our children will want to do that too. You have a big role to play in helping your child to understand how to enjoy using their gadgets safely and responsibly.

To help you to support your child, we will be including a series of helpful guides in our weekly newsletters, to enable you as a parent to talk to them about issues they could face and how to avoid them. We hope that you and the rest of the family will set a positive example and demonstrate how you stay safe by following the guidance too.

It is important to understand that this is not just school rules. It is something that we should all aim to follow when using online services and mobile technology wherever we are. That way we can all work together to ensure that Sunderland is not only one of the most connected cities in the UK, but also the safest place to be online.



### I will only accept

good communication

We wouldn't accept bad communication face to face and we shouldn't accept it on our gadgets. If you receive a message that upsets you and you know who sent it, the first thing to do is to ask yourself, "What else might they mean?"

It is so easy to misunderstand and be hurt by a message when the person who sent it really didn't mean for that to happen. If your child receives a message that really upsets them and you don't know who sent it, keep the message as evidence. It may be the first of many messages they get and if someone singles them out to receive this type of message this is described as Cyber Bullying.

If you feel that they are being Cyber Bullied it is important to keep evidence and contact someone who is able to help. Websites like cybermentors.org can offer advice. If the bullying is happening by phone, contact your phone company. All UK mobile operators have nuisance call centres and procedures in place to help you deal with such incidents. They can help you to change your number or you can work with the police to take action against the bully. Explain to your child that they are less likely to be targeted by cyber bullies if they don't share their email address, profiles and phone numbers with people they don't know.

### PTFA Summer Raffle

A huge thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets for our PTFA Summer Raffle. The tickets were drawn last Friday and all winners have been notified via text message. The winning tickets were:



**2481** - 1st Prize - £100 Voucher

**2848** - 2nd Prize - Garden Games package

**2451** - 3rd Prize - Summer BBQ set

**1357** - 4th Prize - 2 x SAFC Match Tickets

**2646** - 5th Prize - Prosecco & Teddy Set

**3161** - 6th Prize - Body Shop Gift Bag

**2027** - 7th Prize - Men's Bayliss & Harding set

**1070** - 8th Prize - Women's Bayliss & Harding set

The PTFA had a lovely time at BB Fest and funds raised from the event and the raffle are over £1000!

THANK YOU

### NEXT WEEK!



**MONDAY** - Can all children please bring a carrier/re-usable bag to school (with their names on) for books to be taken home.

### MONDAY/TUESDAY

Can all school books, equipment & any kit please be returned to school as soon as possible. Thanks



### THURSDAY

No bookbags are needed next Thursday as it is the last day of school - Usual finish times apply & school uniform should be worn.





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## DATES AND EVENTS IN SCHOOL THIS TERM

Sunday 16th July	Y6 Return from Thurston (approx. 4pm)
Tuesday 18th July	Y6 Leavers Performance & Awards @ 2pm
Wednesday 19th July	Revolting Children Performance @ 5pm for a 5:30pm start (refreshments available)
Thursday 20th July	School Closes for Summer
Wednesday 6th September	School re-opens for new academic year

## WEEKLY REGULARS

MONDAY	PE Y1 (Class 1 & Class 2) Keyboard & Drum Lessons
TUESDAY	PE - Y4 and Y5 No Guitar Lessons today
WEDNESDAY	PE - Y2 & Y3
THURSDAY	PE - Y6 and Y1 (Class 1) NO Y4 SWIMMING
FRIDAY	SCHOOL CLOSED

## SCHOOLZ OUT CLUBS THIS WEEK

NOTE: **THERE WILL BE NO CLUBS THE LAST WEEK OF TERM (WC 17/07/23)**

## AFTERSCHOOL CLUB

Please note that our Afterschool Wraparound Care will not be available on the last day of term (Thursday 20th July)  
Apologies for any inconvenience

## Y6 LAST DAY @ BB

Thursday 20th July

Y6 Children should come to school in their school uniform as usual next Thursday.

Children are welcome to bring in a spare polo shirt and pens if they would like to get this signed by other children & teachers.

All Y6 children will leave school via front gate on their last day accompanied by their teachers. Children will leave 5 minutes later than the rest of the school which will give parents the opportunity for photographs to be taken.

## EYFS Sports Day

The children in EYFS have had so much fun engaging in their 'Sports Experience Day'.

The children were able to try out lots of different sporting activities and loved taking part in team games, competing against fellow family groups!

During the session, the children used a range of gross and fine motor skills, tested out their co-ordination and balance and talked about how their bodies felt after exercise!



## Revolting Children - Drama Production

On Wednesday 19th July We would like all drama club children to stay after school for a final re-hearsal prior to their performance.

All children will need a packed tea

## HOUSE POINTS

Aidan	8094
Bede	5194
Caedmon	7744
Cuthbert	9697

We are sad to announce that our school cook, Marie, will be leaving us next week.

We would like to thank Marie for all she has done for BB over her 15 years with us and wish her every success for the future.

We are pleased to advise that we have recently been awarded a 5 star food hygiene rating in our school kitchen.

Thank you to our cook and the kitchen staff for their hard work and high standards.

