



Benedict Biscop CE Academy Newsletter

8th September 2023

Well done everyone, a fantastic start to the term! We are so proud of the pupils achievements this week and all classes have demonstrated excellent behaviour and effort. This week the pupils have been learning about their rights and designing their own class charter whilst also learning their new class routines. We are all looking forward to International Day of Democracy next week where the children will be voting for their new school council/rights knights representatives. Mrs Armstrong

Class	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	95.16%	98.23%	92.98%	94.27%	96.15%	★100%	97.35%	★100%

Continuing with our staying safe online parents guide

**I will be careful
who I accept as a friend**



Sites like Facebook have now become an important part of many peoples lives. While most young people know how to keep safe in the real world, they don't always apply the same ideas when they are online. Some see collecting online friends as a competition and try to get as many as they can. Taking this approach means they quickly lose control of who they are sharing information with and can end up getting people on their list who may exploit their trust. Check any device that your child could use to connect to the Internet. Make sure the privacy settings are set to 'friends only' and encourage them to make sure their online friends are people who they know in real life. They should not share telephone numbers, email and other contact details in their profiles. Chat to your child regularly about who they have on their friends list.

We are incredibly proud of

Ebony in Y4, over the Summer Ebony auditioned along with over 200 other children to take part in an English Youth Ballet production of Coppelia. Ebony only started ballet lessons a year ago and was successful with her audition. This is a fantastic achievement - well done!



Introducing a new section to our weekly newsletter to celebrate things that make us feel proud.

Bump Notes

We would like to advise parents & carers that we will longer be sending home paper bump notes when your child has had a bump in school.

The school office will send a text to the first contact to advise of any accidents (if your child has bumped their head we will always give you a call you to let you know).

Children will still receive a bump sticker.

We ask that wherever possible you notify the person who is collecting your child to make them aware. If there are any issues as we change systems, please contact the school office as soon as possible

NOTE: Please ensure that if you have the T2P app you check this regularly as texts will be sent there if you have a wifi connection.



Rainbow Awards

Our Rainbow Awards are presented to children in each class to recognise their achievements throughout the week. Rainbow awards will begin next Friday 15th September.



Uniform Reminder

We would just like to take this opportunity to remind Parents of our uniform policy which can be found on our school website - [School Uniform](#).

Please note that the wearing of jewellery is not allowed especially earrings, and earring spacers as advised by HSE - if your child comes to school wearing earrings and cannot remove them themselves we will call home to ask if someone can attend school to remove them. Can parents please make sure that all nail varnish is also removed from children's nails before school.

Your help in this is much appreciated.



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DATES AND EVENTS IN SCHOOL THIS TERM

Wednesday 13th September	EYFS & KS1 Author visit from Catherine Jacob
Thursday 14th September	Y6 School Trip to Beamish
Tuesday 26th September	Y5 School Trip to Durham Cathedral
Thursday 28th September	Y4 Visit from Tyne & Wear Fire & Rescue
Friday 20th October	School closes for October half term
Monday 30th October	School re-opens

WEEKLY REGULARS

MONDAY	PE - Y1 (Class 1) & Y6 Keyboard & Drum Lessons
TUESDAY	PE - Y1&2 (Class 2) & Y5 Guitar Lessons
WEDNESDAY	PE - Y2 (Class 3) & Y3
THURSDAY	PE - Y4 Swimming - Y4
FRIDAY	Community Worship 9:00 All welcome via school office— doors close at 9am prompt

SCHOOLZ OUT CLUBS THIS WEEK

MONDAY	Schoolz out clubs will return
TUESDAY	w/c 25/09/23
WEDNESDAY	Please watch your emails for more
THURSDAY	information
FRIDAY	

Y6 Application for Secondary School

A letter has been emailed to all Y6 parents from Sunderland Together For Children to advise you of the procedures for applying for your child's secondary school place.

The application process opens on Monday 11th September. (Closing date 31st October 2023)

Teachers 2 Parents App

If you have downloaded the T2P app please note that any texts that are sent from school, the system will try to deliver to the app first (if you have a wifi connection).

If you are using mobile data the system will deliver directly to your usual texting service.

You may find texts are received via both formats so please ensure you check regularly



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Reception Children - Vision Screening

A letter has been emailed to all Reception parents from South Tyneside & Sunderland NHS Foundation Trust regarding Vision screening which will take place in school.

Please check you inbox for further information.

A great start for Y6

Y6 have enjoyed learning about World War II, they worked together to investigate the events and sequence them in a timeline



HOUSE POINTS

Aidan	2039
Bede	1288
Caedmon	1860
Cuthbert	1705