

15th September 2025

# Weekly Newsletter

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Mrs Armstrong  
Headteacher



Mrs Clark  
Deputy Headteacher



It was wonderful to welcome everyone back to school last week and to see the children settling so well into their new classes.

A special mention to our new Nursery starters who have made such a fantastic start, and to our Year 1 pupils who were brilliant in their very first Community Worship in the big hall!

We're looking forward to another great week in school filled with learning, fun, and community spirit.

## Polite Reminder

We would like to remind all parents and carers that earrings are not permitted to be worn in school. This includes plastic earring spacers.

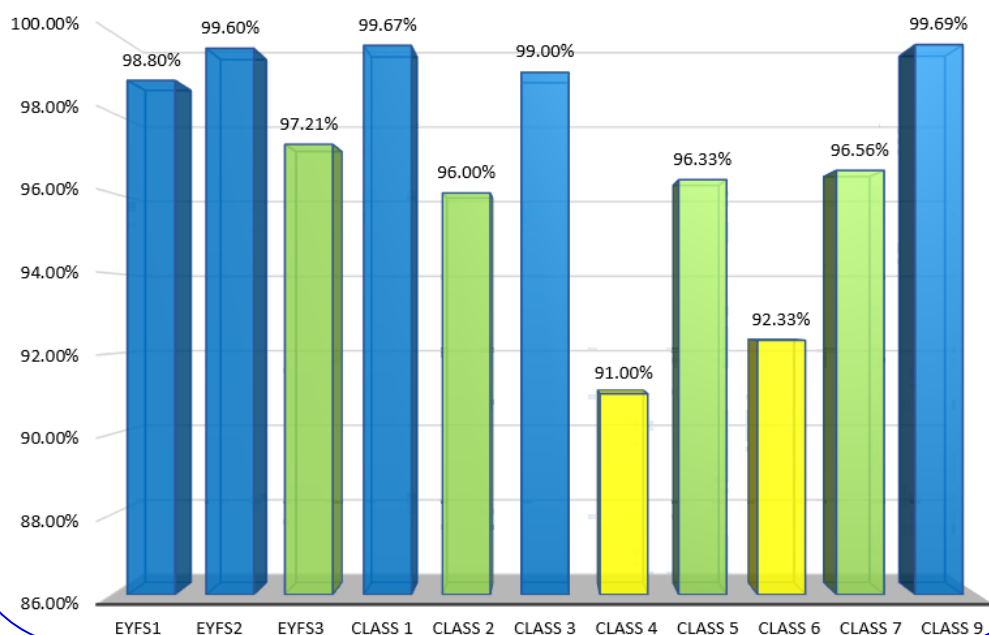
If a child comes to school wearing earrings and is unable to remove them independently, parents/carers will be contacted and asked to come to school to remove them.

Thank you for your support in keeping everyone safe and following our school policy.

## Quick look contents .....

- ✧ PE Kit Reminder
- ✧ Earring Reminder
- ✧ Class 1—First week update
- ✧ EYFS First week photos
- ✧ Schoolz Out Clubs

## Class Weekly Attendance



## PE Kits

Please ensure that children have their indoor PE kit (including plimsolls) in school all week. Kits should be brought in on a Monday in a drawstring bag and left in school until the end of the week.

On their PE day, children may come to school dressed in their outdoor PE kit and trainers.

However, plimsolls should always remain in school in case indoor PE is required (for example, if the weather is poor).

Thank you for your support.

## Schoolz Out Clubs

Our Schoolz Out Clubs will go live for booking on

**Tuesday 16th September at 4:00pm.**

You will soon receive the Autumn Term Schoolz Out Clubs leaflet by email, which gives full details of the clubs on offer.

Please check your emails.

Most clubs operate on a first-come, first-served basis, so we please review the leaflet promptly and book early to avoid disappointment.

## Safeguarding Leads at Benedict Biscop

For further safeguarding information please click [here](#)

Mrs Armstrong Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Clark Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs J Thompson LGB Safeguarding Lead

**Congratulations you have received a  
RAINBOW AWARD**

<u>EYFS1</u>	Heidi S & Joshua W
<u>EYFS2</u>	Maeve Mc & Harrison B
<u>EYFS3</u>	Maeva B & Dakota S
<u>Class 1</u>	Penny D & Phoebe W
<u>Class 2</u>	Kit M & Harlow s
<u>Class 3</u>	Remi E & Ruby E
<u>Class 4</u>	Mikey M & Kenzie M
<u>Class 5</u>	Emilia O & Harry P
<u>Class 6</u>	Thomas S & Amelie P
<u>Class 7</u>	Matthew N & Skye B
<u>Class 9</u>	Fallon M & Seth Mc

**EYFS**

Early Years have had a fantastic first week!

They have enjoyed exploring the provision and having fun with their friends.



**CLASS 1**

Class 1 have had a fabulous first week in Year One!

They have settled beautifully into their new classroom, learning the routines and getting to know their teachers and friends.



We have spent time exploring our new learning areas and practising our daily routines. The children have shown great enthusiasm, kindness, and curiosity.



We are super proud of how confidently they have started this new chapter in their school journey and we are looking forward to a brilliant year ahead!



**School Lunches**

If your child stays for school dinners please see the charges below. Please ensure that your Arbor account is topped up to cover the charges.

Nursery	£ 2.37 (per day)
KS1	No Charge (Universal Infant Free (inc Recp) School Meal)
KS2	£ 2.65 (per day)



**Links to Useful Forms**

- [Change of Lunch Preference](#)
- [Change of Gate Preference](#)
- [Breakfast & After School Club Contract](#)
- [Initial Interest in Nursery](#)
- [Exceptional Leave Request](#)
- [Appointment Notification](#)

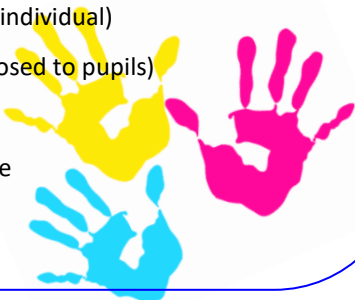
**HOUSE POINTS**

Cuthbert	0
Aidan	0
Bede	0
Caedmon	0

## SEPTEMBER — DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



- W/C 15th Sept** Music Instrument lesson begin
- Tuesday 16th Sept** Schoolz Out Clubs go live (on Arbor) info to follow
- Monday 22nd Sept** EYFS Showbie/Reading Parent workshop (RECEPTION)
- Monday 29th Sept** EYFS Showbie/Reading Parent workshop (NURSERY)
- Friday 10th Oct** Harvest Festival (Further info to follow)
- 13th—17th Oct** Scholastic Book Fair in school
- Thursday 16th Oct** PTFA Autumn Disco
- Tuesday 21st Oct** School Photographs (individual)
- Friday 24th Oct** INSET DAY (School Closed to pupils)
- 5th– 6th Nov** Parent Evenings
- Friday 7th Nov** Remembrance Service



## SCHOOLZ OUT CLUBS

For further details regarding dates & times of schoolz out clubs please follow this link [SCHOOLZ OUT AUTUMN TERM](#)

KS1 Science Club	MONDAY
KS2 Creative Challenges Club	MONDAY
KS1 Arts & Craft Club	TUESDAY
KS1 & KS2 Karate Club	TUESDAY
KS2 Vision & Design Club	TUESDAY
KS2 Netball Club	TUESDAY
KS2 Football Club	WEDNESDAY
KS1 Football Club	THURSDAY
KS1 & KS2 Wellness Club	THURSDAY
KS1 & KS2 Performing Arts Club	THURSDAY

## PTFA Donations needed!

Our PTFA are kindly asking for donations of outgrown winter coats and Christmas jumpers. They will be organising a table/rail where families can pick up anything they need.



This is a great way to recycle, support one another, and make sure everyone is ready for the colder months and festive season.



SCHOOL TELEPHONE NUMBER: 0191 5947033  
 OFFICE OPENING HOURS: MON — THURS : 8AM — 4:30PM  
 FRI: 8AM — 4PM

## CLASS P.E. DAYS

CLASS 1	THURSDAY
CLASS 2	MONDAY
CLASS 3	TUESDAY
CLASS 4	WEDNESDAY
CLASS 5	WEDNESDAY
CLASS 6	THURSDAY
CLASS 7	MONDAY
CLASS 9	TUESDAY



On PE days children may come into school in their PE Kit.

## KS2 INSTRUMENT LESSONS

Music lessons will begin w/c 15/09/2025

KEYBOARD	Monday AM
DRUMS	Tuesday AM
GUITAR	Wednesday AM

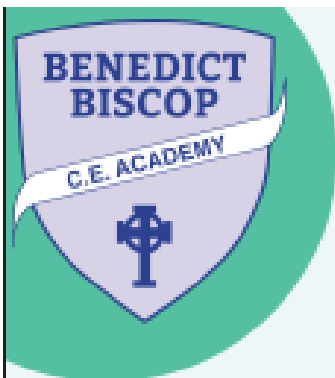


## Friday Community Worship

All are welcome to our Community Worship each Friday led by Rev'd David Tolhurst.

Children from KS1 & KS2 also attend during the Worship. This is a time for the whole BB Community to come together in Worship and to celebrate the special achievements of our pupil's.

*We look forward to seeing you there!*



# Attendance

2025/2026

At Benedict Biscop we are committed to the best attendance each pupil is able to achieve. We all work to the Northern Lights way of doing our best to be in every day.

	%	<u>AUTUMN</u>	<u>AUTUMN &amp; SPRING</u>	<u>AUTUMN, SPRING &amp; SUMMER</u>	<u>IMPACT ON LEARNING</u>
<b>BLUE</b>	98 - 100%	up to 1 day missed	up to 2.5 days missed	up to 3.5 days missed	Minimum impact on learning
<b>GREEN</b>	96 - 97%	up to 2.5 days missed	up to 5 days missed	up to 7.5 days missed	Some impact on learning
<b>YELLOW</b>	90 - 95%	up to 6.5 days missed	up to 12.5 days missed	up to 19 days missed	Impact on learning. Aim to improve with our support
<b>AMBER</b>	80 - 89%	up to 13.5 days missed	up to 25.5 days missed	up to 38 days missed	Impact on learning. Attendance needs to improve. School are here to support.
<b>RED</b>	79% & Below	up to 14+ days missed	up to 26+ days missed	up to 38.5+ days missed	Significant impact on learning. Attendance must improve. School support provided.

The above table shows days missed within each band. This links with our attendance approach. The amount of days that are missed will vary depending on the term in the academic year.

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Working together to improve attendance



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## Term Dates 2025 - 2026

September 2025						
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October 2025						
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November 2025						
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December 2025						
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January 2026						
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February 2026						
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March 2026						
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April 2026						
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May 2026						
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June 2026						
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July 2026						
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August 2026						
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School Closed/Holidays
Bank Holidays
Inset Days - pupils not in school



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LEARNING TRUST

*Schools must be open to pupils for 190 days  
Inset days may be subject to change*