



St Benedict's Catholic Primary School Hindley

NEWSLETTER – October 2022

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Dates for the Diary

Date	Year Group(s)	Information
Tuesday 1 st November	2023 starters	Open Day (9:30am and 1:30pm)
Wednesday 2 nd November	2023 starters	Open Night (6pm)
Wednesday 2 nd November	Y6	Class Mass (10am) @ St Benedict's Church
Thursday 3 rd November	Y3 and Y4	Book Breakfast
Monday 7 th November	Reception & KS1	Author visit – Sean Perkins (more details to follow)
Wednesday 9 th November	Whole School	Open Evening (see below)
Thursday 10 th November	Y5 and Y6	Book Breakfast
Friday 11 th November	Whole School	Remembrance Day
Monday 14 th November	Whole School	Odd Socks Day - Anti-bullying Week (see below)
Wednesday 16 th November	Y4	Class Mass in school
Thursday 17 th November	Reception	Book Breakfast
Friday 18 th November	Whole School	Flu vaccinations
Thursday 24 th November	Y1 & Y2	Book Breakfast
Tuesday 29 th November	Whole School	Altru Drama Theatre Performance – Charlotte's Web
Thursday 1 st December	Y3 & Y4	Book Breakfast
Wednesday 7 th December	Reception & KS1	Pantomime Trip – Aladdin
Wednesday 7 th December	Y5	Class Mass (10am) @ St Benedict's Church
Thursday 8 th December	Y5 & Y6	Book Breakfast
Thursday 8 th December	Whole School	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 13 th December	Reception & KS1	Nativity performance (more details to follow)
Wednesday 14 th December	Reception & KS1	Nativity performance (more details to follow)
Wednesday 14 th December	Y3	Class Mass in school
Thursday 15 th December	Reception	Book Breakfast
Friday 16 th December	Whole School	Reports
Monday 19 th December	Reception & KS1	Christmas Party
Tuesday 20 th December	KS2	Christmas Party
Wednesday 21 st December	KS2	Christmas Carol Service (1:15pm)
Wednesday 21 st December	Whole School	School closes for the Christmas holidays (2pm)

Halloween Disco

Everybody had a fantastic time at the Halloween Disco hosted by Friends of St Benedict's on Friday 21st October. More than £500 was raised, which will be used to help fund new laptops for school. Thank you to Friends for organising it, and we are glad that everybody had a brilliant time.



KS2 Class Masses

This term, Father Leo has invited us to Mass at St Benedict's church with Y5 and Y6. He will also be celebrating Mass in school with Y3 and Y4. Please see above for dates.



Odd Socks Day

On Monday 14th November, children are invited to come into school wearing odd socks. This is to raise awareness of Anti-bullying Week.



World Mental Health Day

On Monday 10th October, each class took part in activities to raise awareness of World Mental Health Day. We raised £102.39 which has been donated to the mental health charity, Young Minds. Thank you for your kind donations.



National Poetry Day

On Thursday 6th October, each class celebrated National Poetry Day. We read, rehearsed, performed and wrote poems together. Each class focused on a different style of poem and different aspects of poetry and we were SO impressed with the final pieces. All completed poems have been entered into the most recent Young Writers competition, Poetry Stars.



Jodrell Bank Trip – Year 5

On Thursday 20th October, Year 5 visited Jodrell Bank as part of their Science topic, Earth and Space. They learned all about the Lovell Telescope, saw an amazing 3D simulation of our solar system, learned about star constellations and watched some interesting scientific experiments, including making a fire tornado, just like the one on Jupiter!



Year 6 Hockey

On Monday 3rd October, our Y6 Hockey team WON every game in the group stage of the hockey tournament, finishing WINNERS of the whole group! A highlight being a 4-0 win. They then won 2-1 in the semi-finals against a very tough opponent. Unfortunately, it wasn't to be and they went on to lose 2-0 in the final. But to finish SECOND PLACE and be runners up in such a competitive tournament made us so proud. Well done to Tabitha, Joe, Ethan, Rory, Kai and Tiana!



Year 5/6 Football

Thank you to our Y5/Y6 football team for brilliantly representing us at the Wigan Athletic Kids Cup at Leigh Sports Village this month. You displayed brilliant football skills and your teamwork was something to be proud of. Well done Ethan, Rory, James, Will, Harrison, Kai, Joe and Kaedon!



Key Stage 2 Cross Country

We are super proud of our KS2 Cross Country team who ran the 2k race on Thursday 20th October. This is possibly one of the most challenging competitions we enter so we are always so proud of our children when they cross that finish line. This year we totalled a score that was better than any other year before. Well done to all children involved for their amazing efforts.



Key Stage 2 Bowling Experience

On Monday 17th October, Ruby, Alfie, Corey, Hammam and Noah went to Hollywood Bowl for a game of Ten Pin Bowling. They had a fantastic time! Everyone enjoyed themselves and had lots of fun. We are looking forward to more opportunities like this in the future.

