



Benedict Biscop CE Academy

19th July 2024



Headteacher: Mrs Armstrong
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Clark

With God all things are possible

As we reach the end of this school year, I am delighted to reflect on what a fantastic year it has been for BB School. Our children have made remarkable progress in their learning, and it has been lovely to see them come together to celebrate significant events throughout the year.

We have enjoyed numerous memorable moments, from our Harvest Festival and the magic of Christmas, to the celebration of Easter and the fun-filled BBfest. These events have not only enriched our children's experiences but also strengthened our sense of community.

A special mention must go to our incredible PTFA, whose dedication and enthusiasm have been truly inspiring. Their fundraising efforts and the special events they have helped organise, including three lively school discos, have been invaluable.

The success of our sporting teams in swimming, football, and netball has been another highlight, showcasing the talent and determination of our students.

Our Early Years children have had an especially adventurous year. They have enjoyed fun fire nights, beach school, forest school, and trips to the secret garden, not to mention the ever-popular mud days, family fun days, and welly walks. Their enthusiasm and joy in these activities have been a delight to witness.

The variety of after-school clubs this year has been impressive, offering something for everyone. From gardening club to karate, arts and crafts to construction, there has been no shortage of opportunities for our children to explore new interests and develop new skills. We have also loved inviting our BB families into school for our Family Fun Friday sessions, which have been a wonderful way to connect and share in the joy of learning.

To cap off the year, our Year 6 students gave a fantastic end-of-year presentation to their family and friends, culminating in a wonderful awards ceremony. It was a fitting celebration of their time at Benedict Biscop and a testament to their hard work and achievements.

As we celebrate our school's 50th year, I want to thank each and every one of you for your support, enthusiasm, and commitment to making BB such a special place. I hope that everyone has a fabulous summer, relaxing and spending quality time with family. Here's to many more wonderful years ahead! Mrs Armstrong


Class	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	94.49%	87.29%	87.29%	95.32%	96.89%	91.81%	95.59%	99.28%

Link for our [Term Dates](#)

To download our full attendance policy please follow this link - [Benedict Biscop Policies](#)




We are incredibly proud of..
All of our Pupils, Staff, Governors,
Parents and our wider BB Family - you
are all amazing and make our school
amazing too!
Well Done Everyone! Have a lovely Summer!



100% Attendance 2023/24
Well done to the following pupils for achieving an amazing 100% attendance this school year. Well done to you all!

Reception: Grace and Avery
Class 1: Layla and Rose
Class 2: Thea and Penelope
Class 3: Alicia and Harry
Year 3: Oliver
Year 4: Ethan
Year 5: Scarlett, Annabella and Oscar
Year 6: Eve, Emma, Reuben and Ethan



Congratulations to our New House Captains

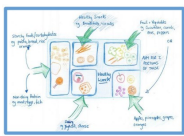
Megan - **Aidan**
Marley - **Bede**
Faris - **Cuthbert**
Jasmine - **Caedmon**

Good luck in your new roles, we know you will be amazing!

PACKED LUNCH POLICY

Please follow the link below for further guidance on packed lunches in school

[Packed Lunch Policy](#)



PLEASE PARK AROUND SCHOOL WITH CONSIDERATION FOR OUR NEIGHBOURS AND NOT ON THE PAVEMENTS



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DATES AND EVENTS IN 2024/25



- Monday 2nd September** Breakfast & After school club bookings open for September
- Monday 9th September** School re-opens to all pupils for new academic year
- Weds 11th September** Y5 school trip to Jarrow Hall
- Weds 11th September** PTFA Welcome coffee morning for parents/carers (Learning Centre @ 9am)
- Monday 16th September** Music Instrument Lessons begin for registered KS2 pupil
- Monday 16th September** Schoolz out clubs expected to begin (Class 1 - Class 9 pupils only)
- Friday 11th October** Harvest Festival (TBC)
- Friday 11th October** Flu Immunisations (Rec - Class 9 pupils)
- Monday 14th October** Book Fair in school all week (further details to follow)
- W/C 28th October** HALF TERM (School Closed to all pupils)
- Monday 4th November** INSET DAY (School Closed to all pupils)
- Tuesday 5th November** School re-opens to all pupils for 2nd Autumn Half Term



Holiday Absence during Term Time

As we all look forward to the upcoming holidays, we understand and appreciate the financial considerations involved in planning a family holiday.

However, we kindly remind you of the new changes to the law regarding school leave for the next academic year. It's important to be aware of these regulations when notifying us of leave from school. Please note all absences unless for exceptional circumstances, as outlined in the school attendance policy, **can not** be authorised.

We encourage you to consider these guidelines before booking any holidays to ensure your child's education remains a priority. Please feel free to contact us to discuss any leave requests you are wanting to make (or click on the link below)

[Exceptional Leave Of Absence Request Form](#)

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in supporting our commitment to maintaining excellent attendance and educational standards.

[IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS](#)

[ATTENDANCE POLICY](#)

A message from BB PTFA



The PTFA would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to everyone for your continued support this year. Next year we will be introducing

our own newsletter which will keep you up to date with our events and what we are raising money for.



Across the school year we have supported all age groups - donating money to help fund EYS events, the KS1 & KS2 trip to the pantomime and money towards Y6 leavers hoodies.

BBFest and the Summer raffle were a great success this year raising £ 1448.31. We would like to say a special thank you to the local businesses that donated prizes for our raffle, David Lloyd, Harry's Shack, Oaktree Farm, Omni Plex, Sunderland Bowl and the Foundation of Light.

On **Wednesday 11th September**



We are hosting a coffee morning in the school's Learning Centre. It would be lovely if Parents, Grandparents and Carers dropped in to find out more about how they could help or to even just enjoy a friendly chat! We hope to see you there! Enjoy the Summer break and we will continue to help raise money to support those extra special treats for your children to enjoy!



Enjoy your Summer Holidays & stay safe!





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Goodbye and Good Luck to our Year 6 Pupils

FULL STOP DAY (by Mark C. Bird)

Full Stop Day Last six hours of primary school

Goodbye is getting near

The sums and sentences all done

The full stop day is here

Last five hours of primary school

Where everything's before

The aims and games and crazes no one's crazy for no more

Last four hours of primary school

Surrounded by a class who'll scatter soon and not return

When summer's days have passed

Last three hours of primary school

One final lunchtime play

Instead of chasing friends we try to chase and catch the day

Last two hours of primary school

The clock hands blur and skid

Signing shirts, remembering the coolest things we did

Last one hour of primary school with Mrs Hansen who understood

And helped me see I could achieve 'cos she believed I could

Last half hour of primary school

The assembly we all dread

We cannot sing – us Year Six kings

The crown slips from our heads

Last ever second of primary school

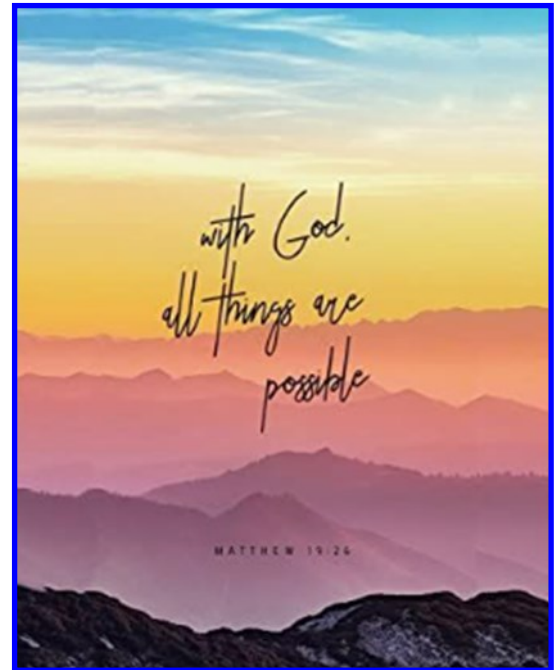
The full stop rings in our ears

But a thousand chapters left to write

We must vacate our childhood site

For time moves on and time is right –

To leave our wonder years



GOODBYE

Good Luck

"You're off to great places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting, so... Get on your way."
Dr Seuss Oh, The Places



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From Y1 to Y6 ! 😊

We wish you all good luck in your new schools, come back to visit us often! You'll always be part of our BB Family ❤️

We will miss you all

Time flies, but memories last forever.



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