



# Benedict Biscop CE Academy

## 13th September 2024



Headteacher: Mrs Armstrong  
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Clark

### # With God all things are possible

What a fantastic start to the new school year at BB! Our new Early Years children have settled in beautifully, and it's been wonderful to welcome new families to Benedict Biscop.

We have also welcomed three new members of staff to the BB team, Miss Eastick in Class 1, Miss Sandland in Class 5 and Miss Smith in Class 6, I'm sure you'll join me in welcoming them to the BB Family!

The children have returned eager to learn and are excited for the year ahead. We look forward to a great term together!

Mrs Armstrong

Class	Nursery	Reception	Class 1 (Year1)	Class 2 (Year1/2)	Class 3 (Year 2)	Class 4 (Year 3)	Class 5 (Year 3)	Class 6 (Year 4)	Class 7 (Year 5)	Class 9 (Year 6)
Attendance	98.94%	96.85%	★ 100%	92.67%	95.17%	93.64%	★ 100%	99.38%	98.39%	92.67%

Link for our [Term Dates](#)

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

### Classes within School

Apologies for any confusion this week with the new way we are now referring to our classes within school.

Now that our larger class sizes have moved into KS2 we are trying to use the classroom numbers to make it easier for the children. However, the School Office will now try to use both Class & Year Groups in our correspondence.

NEW CLASS NAMES



We are incredibly proud of....  
Josh in Class 6 (Y4)



Josh has had a fantastic start to the new school year. He has been an amazing friend this week helping in his new class. Well done Josh, we are proud of you!

### COMMUNITY WORSHIP



Please join us every Friday for our Community Worship in the school hall (9:00am) start. Worship is led by either Rev'd D Tolhurst or Class led. All are welcome as we Worship and celebrate our pupils achievements within our Roll of honour book and our Rainbow awards.

### PTFA Coffee Morning

It was wonderful to welcome so many families joining our PTFA at the coffee morning on Wednesday.

If you would like to know more about our PTFA please contact the school office  
PTFA meetings are held on the first Friday of every month (after Community Worship)



### Memorable Collection Passwords



Can all Parents/Carers please ensure that those collecting your child/ren know your memorable collection password, this is especially important for new families to the school.  
Thank you

### EYFS Water Bottles

Please note that pupils in EYFS should bring their water bottles to school on a Monday and leave them in school all week. They will be returned home on a Friday.



### Safeguarding Leads at Benedict Biscop

Mrs Armstrong	Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Clark	Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs J Thompson	LGB Safeguarding Lead

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



### No Mobile Phones or Photographs

Please respect our school safeguarding policy and turn your mobile phone off at our school events. We request this for the safeguarding of all our children, staff and BB families. Please do not be offended if you are challenged for using your mobile phone. (School will take photographs at events)

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



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### RAINBOW AWARDS

#### Nursery

**Joshua** For settling into a great Nursery routine.

**Oliver** Showing resilience settling into Nursery.

**Lennon** For settling into Nursery with ease.

#### Reception

**Luca** For an excellent attitude.

**Lucia** For a positive attitude during her first week.

**Adley** For an amazing 1st week in Reception.

#### Class 1

**Sonnie** For working brilliantly in his first Maths lesson.

**Ruby** For working brilliantly in her first Maths lesson.

#### Class 2

**Ezra** For working hard in all lessons, especially Maths!

**Lucy** For being cheerful, polite & hardworking.

#### Class 3

**Freddie** For being a fantastic Mathematician.

**Emilia** For an amazing attitude to learning this week.

#### Class 4

**Zakk** For being an amazing Mathematician this week.

**Rosie** For being a superb scientist this week.

#### Class 5

**Bobby** For his keen interest in History.

**Olive** For recalling information during RE.

#### Class 6

**Skye** For a great start to Maths this week.

**Ted** For great understanding of world History events.

#### Class 7

**Georgie** Both children have made an excellent start to

**Ebony** Life in Y5, giving 100% this week! Well done

#### Class 9

**Aaron** For fantastic enthusiasm & contributions in History.

**Megan** For a conscientious attitude towards her work.

#### Rainbow Awards

Our rainbow awards are given out every week to pupils who have gone above and beyond during the week. We send texts to Parents/Carers to advise you that your child has received an award. Then children in Class 1 to Class 9 (Y1 - Y6) will be presented with their rainbow certificate the following Friday during Worship. EYFS children will also receive their certificate the following Friday but within the EYFS provision.

#### PE Days

MONDAY	Class 9 (Year 6) & Class 1 (Year 1)
TUESDAY	Class 2 (Year 1/2) & Class 7 (Year 5)
WEDNESDAY	Class 4 (Year 3) & Class 6 (Year 4)
THURSDAY	Class 3 (Year 2) & Class 5 (Year 3)
FRIDAY	

On your child's PE day they should come to school in their PE Kit

#### Schoolz Out Clubs

Schoolz Out Clubs are after school activity clubs open to pupils in Class 1 to Class 9 (Y1 - Y6). The clubs are available on various days and require a payment from Parents/Carers.

The Autumn Term Schoolz Out Flyer will be emailed to everyone today and the club bookings will open on Monday.

It is expected that the clubs will start w/c 23rd September 2024

#### Class Teachers



EYFS1	Miss Liddle
EYFS2	Miss Atkinson
EYFS3	Mrs Holmes
Class 1	Miss Eastick
Class 2	Mrs Archer
Class 3	Miss Worth
Class 4	Miss Lockerbie
Class 5	Miss Sandland
Class 6	Miss Smith
Class 7	Mr Allison
Class 9	Mrs Hansen

#### SWIMMING

Class 6 (Y4) Swimming kits needed  
**ON MONDAY**



#### HOUSE POINTS

<b>Aidan</b>	<b>3811</b>
<b>Bede</b>	<b>3713</b>
<b>Caedmon</b>	<b>3579</b>
<b>Cuthbert</b>	<b>3006</b>



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#### DATES AND EVENTS IN 2024/25

### Diary Dates

- Monday 16th September** Music Instrument Lessons begin for registered KS2 pupil
- Monday 23rd September** Schoolz out clubs expected to begin (Class 1 (Y1) to Class 9 (Y6) 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](#)



#### EYFS Collecting Your Child from School

If possible to assist in the smooth running of dismissing the children from the provision it would be great if those collecting your children could queue at your child's exit door

(either SNUG ENTRANCE or GARDEN ENTRANCE)

This makes it easier for staff to identify parents/carers and it is not so overwhelming for the children

#### Music Instrument Lessons



Instrument lesson will begin for those children who requested them from Class 4 (Y3) to Class 9 (Y6)



MONDAY AM : Drum Lessons  
MONDAY PM: Keyboard Lessons  
TUESDAY AM: Guitar Lessons

(Guitars are provided at every lesson however if your child has their own guitar at home they are more than welcome to bring this to school on a Tuesday)

