



Benedict Biscop CE Academy

31st January 2025



Headteacher: Mrs Armstrong
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Clark

With God all things are possible


It has been great to welcome our families into school this week! Class 9 (Y6) did a fantastic job leading their Class Worship, and it was wonderful to see so many parents and family members join us. Today, Class 1 had a brilliant Maths Family Fun Friday session with Miss Eastick & Mr. Allison—well done to all the children and staff, and thank you to everyone who attended. Our Netball team, as well as both the Girls' and Boys' Football teams, have had fantastic results this week too. A huge well done to everyone involved!

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	91.88%	96.67%	98.89%	98.52%	98.15%	99.49%	98.55%	97.23%	100%	98.15%

[Link for our Term Dates](#)

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

WE ARE REALLY PROUD OF
Of all of our sporting teams this week for representing BB with endurance and determination.
 You all make us so proud! Well done!



JOIN US FOR COMMUNITY WORSHIP

Please join us every Friday for our Community Worship in the school hall (9:00am) start. Worship is led by Rev'd D Tolhurst. All are welcome as we Worship and celebrate our pupils.



Respect and Kindness in Our School Community

At Benedict Biscop CE Academy we are committed to fostering a safe, respectful, and positive environment for all members of our school community—children, staff, and parents alike.

We understand that there may be times when concerns arise, and we always encourage open and constructive communication. However, we must remind everyone that aggressive or abusive behaviour towards staff, pupils, or other parents/residents will not be tolerated. It is essential that we all think before we act and treat each other with respect and kindness.

Our staff are here to support and work with you to ensure the best outcomes for your children. We ask that all interactions remain calm and courteous, in line with the values we strive to instil in our pupils every day.

Thank you for your cooperation in maintaining a positive and respectful school environment

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](#)

Useful Information

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[Facebook](#)

PLEASE PARK AROUND SCHOOL WITH CONSIDERATION FOR OUR NEIGHBOURS AND NOT ON THE PAVEMENTS
 See Sunderland City Council's leaflet - [Think before you park!](#)



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RAINBOW AWARDS

Nursery

- Max A** For trying extremely hard in Phonics.
- Millie** For trying new foods during Lunar New Year.
- Sophia** For writing her full name independently.

Reception

- Max C** For exploring the outdoor environment.
- Harvey** For teaching us about his beautiful culture.
- Niamh** For a beautiful picture of a plant.

Class 1

- Louis & Freya** For working extremely hard together and taking great care when drawing The Great Wave of Kanagawa.

Class 2

- Daisy** For working extremely hard during English.
- Isla** For working hard on her spelling and handwriting.

Class 3

- Andie** For impressing with her creative ideas
- Harper** For being a writing superstar

Class 4

- Hollie** For a fantastic report about Ancient Egypt
- Lily W** For working hard in Computing.

Class 5

- Bobby** For great understanding in Maths.
- James** For his fantastic fluency & expression in reading.

Class 6

- Jack** For working really hard in English.
- Anna** For creating wonderful graphs in Maths.

Class 7

- Ife** For her excellent portrait in Art.
- Zach** For working extremely hard in Maths

Class 9

- Oscar** For working incredibly hard in Science.
- Marley** For trying super hard in RE this week.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING PACKED LUNCHES

We kindly ask all parents of children bringing packed lunches to remember that we are a **nut-free** school. There are children in school with nut allergies, and to keep everyone safe, nuts and any nut-containing products are not allowed.

This includes Nutella spread, Reese's Peanut Butter bars, and any other nut-based products. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school environment safe for all children.

Wear it Red Day for The Red Sky Foundation

FRIDAY 7TH FEBRUARY

To help raise awareness for heart disease and encourage healthy lifestyle choices.

A letter has been emailed to all parents earlier this week regarding this event please click on the link to view

[Wear It Red Letter](#)

WHO IS RED SKY FOUNDATION?

We raise vital funds for babies, children and adults, who are born with or develop heart conditions and who are in need of cardiac care, by providing lifelong support to them and their families.

WHAT YOUR SUPPORT FACILITATES:

- Investing in state-of-the-art transplant machinery.
- 800+ defibrillators placed in communities across the UK.
- Financial and counselling support for people affected by complex heart problems.
- Free ice-cream for everyone on Ward 23 at the Freeman Hospital every Friday.
- And more!

Visit www.redskyfoundation.com to find out how you can start saving lives with us.

Registered with CHARITABLE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
Charity No: 1188683

Lip Balm/Gloss Products

We have noticed that many pupils are bringing lip balm or lip gloss into school. Please be reminded that these products are not allowed in school.

We kindly ask all parents to ensure that children do not bring them in.

Thank you for your support.



SHARED WORSHIP

Parents/Carers and the wider community are invited to share in Class 7's (Y5) Pupil led class worship on **MONDAY 4th FEBRUARY @ 9am** in the school hall



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Class 6 (Y4) School Trip to Segedunum Roman Fort



Last week year 4 enjoyed a trip out to the Roman Fort Segedunum.

They loved taking part in the life in the fort workshop, learning about the daily life of the soldiers and exploring the gallery!



EYFS Celebrate Lunar New Year



In EYFS, the children celebrated Lunar New Year with a variety of Lunar New Year inspired provocations.

They painted large, vibrant lanterns, using bright colours to create their own designs. The children also had the chance to write simple Chinese characters using pens, exploring the beauty of the language.



They worked together to make a large dragon, contributing different parts to the creation.

They also spent time making Chinese



lanterns and dragons. Finally, the children tasted traditional Chinese foods, like spring rolls and noodles, experiencing new flavours. These activities helped the children learn about Chinese traditions in an engaging and hands-on way.



Den Building Fun at Lunchtime!



Our children have had a fantastic time during lunchtime play, working together to build dens! This activity has not only sparked

their creativity but also encouraged teamwork and problem-solving skills. They have loved deciding what materials to use, discussing how best to build their structures, and working as a team to bring their ideas to life. Den building helps develop communication, cooperation, and resilience, as they experiment, adapt, and improve their designs. It's wonderful to see them



engaged, learning, and having so much fun together!





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UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS IN 2025

Diary Dates

Monday 3rd February	Class 7 (Y5) Class Worship in School Hall (9am start) (see letter)
Friday 7th February	Wear Red for Red Sky Day (see letter for further details)
Friday 7th February	Class 2 (Y1/2) Maths Family Fun Friday in School Hall (2:15pm start-via school office) (see letter)
Monday 10th February	Class 6 (Y4) Class Worship in School Hall (9am start) (see letter)
Tuesday 11th February	Class 9 (Y6) School Trip to Safetyworks (letter to follow)
Friday 14th February	Class 3 (Y2) Maths Family Fun Friday in School Hall (2:15pm start-via school office) (see letter)
Friday 21st February	Class 4 (Y3) Maths Family Fun Friday in School Hall (2:15pm start-via school office) (see letter)
W/C 24th February	HALF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 3rd March	School re-opens after half term

Weekly Regulars

W/C 3rd February 2025

	AM	PM	After School
MON	KS2 Keyboard Lessons Class 6 (Y4) Swimming Lesson	KS2 Drum Lessons Class 9 (Y6) PE Class 1 (Y1) PE	KS1 Story Club (4.25pm finish) KS1 Science Club (4:25pm finish) KS1 & KS2 Karate Club (4:30pm finish) KS2 Creative Challenges Club (4:30pm finish) KS2 Girls Football Club (4:30pm finish)
TUE	8am Class 9 (Y6) Booster Club KS2 Guitar Lessons	Class 2 (Y1/2) PE Class 7 (Y5) PE EYFS Reception Children Forest School Miss Liddle & Miss Britton's family groups	KS1 Card Making & Crafts Club (4:25pm finish) KS2 Art Club (4:30pm finish) KS2 Netball Club - In school 4:30pm finish
WED	8am Class 9 (Y6) Booster Club	Class 4 (Y3) PE Class 6 (Y4) PE	KS2 Boys Football Club (4:30pm finish) collection via school office
THUR		Class 3 (Y2) PE Class 5 (Y3) PE EYFS Reception Children Secret Garden Mrs Holmes & Miss Rogerson's family groups	KS1 Board Games Club (4:25pm finish) KS1 & KS2 Performing Arts Club (4:30pm finish)
FRI	9am Community Worship in the school hall		(All clubs will be dismissed via Back Gate - except Boys Football as shown)



HOUSE POINTS



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EYFS Out & About Groups

Out and about groups re-start next week for Reception children in EYFS - please see our weekly regulars above for those family groups taking part next week.

For further information please click on the link below to view [EYFS Out & About Groups](#)