



Benedict Biscop CE Academy

14th March 2025



Headteacher: Mrs Armstrong
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Clark

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It has been another brilliant week in school, filled with fun and learning! The children had an amazing time at the fantastic school disco, which was kindly organised by our wonderful PTFA—thank you for making it such a memorable event. Our Class 6 families enjoyed exploring decimals together during their Maths Family Fun Friday, making learning both engaging and interactive. Meanwhile, our EYFS children had a vibrant and exciting afternoon learning about the festival of Holi, exploring its traditions through colour and creativity. It's been a joy to see so many happy, engaged learners this week!

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	96.29%	96.44%	94.33%	99%	88.89%	99.09%	100%	98.13%	99.35%	98%

Link for our [Term Dates](#)

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

WE ARE REALLY PROUD OF

Kitt in class 3 and also Harper & Andie in Class 3



Kit - For her phenomenal effort in learning her times tables this half term and blowing us away with her commitment.

Well done!
You make us proud!



Both Harper and Andie have been working hard in our community over half term.

The girls noticed lots of elastic bands all over our streets (they thought these were from the daily postal delivery). So they wrote to Royal Mail asking them to try to stop dropping elastic bands.

Royal Mail responded to their letter this week - they have reported the details of the girls' letter to all the people who make deliveries in our area asking them to be extra careful not to drop rubber bands.

They also wanted to reassure the girls that to minimise the environmental impact the bands are made of a natural material which is non-toxic and degradable, but agree that the best solution is for the rubber bands to return to the post office to be re-used! Well done girls for caring for our community & environment.

You make us so proud



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.

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](#)



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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Congratulations you have received a RAINBOW AWARD

<u>Nursery</u>	Izzy, Nancy and Jack
<u>Reception</u>	Charm, Harrison and Adley
<u>Class 1</u>	Henry & Ava
<u>Class 2</u>	Ettie & Isaac
<u>Class 3</u>	Penny & Kitt
<u>Class 4</u>	Lily & Alice
<u>Class 5</u>	Orla & Sophie
<u>Class 6</u>	Oscar & Eleanor
<u>Class 7</u>	Ava & Holly
<u>Class 9</u>	George & Aaron

Class 7 (Y5) STEM Lesson

Year 5 participated in an exciting STEM live lesson with an astronaut, exploring the technology that helps humans live in space. They learned about innovative solutions that support daily life on the International Space Station and discovered how advancements in technology are shaping the future of space exploration and travel.



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Y1 Phonics Screening Parents Meeting

Y1 parents are invited to a short meeting on **Tuesday 1st April @4pm**



To find out more information about the Phonics Screening Check which will take place in June this year for all Year 1 pupils. Mrs Archer and Miss Eastick look forward to seeing you then.

Class 6 (Y4) Family Fun Friday



Class 6 kicked off their decimal topic exploring one-tenth as 0.1, proving it through various representations, deepening their understanding of decimals in exciting, interactive ways!



Parents Evening

Our parents evening consultations will take place on

Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd of April.

Links have been forwarded via text & email this week please check your in box so you can book your appointment.



Y4 SWIMMING LESSON

LESSON CANCELLED
Monday 17th March

Due to unforeseen circumstances the swimming pool is closed at Farrington Academy on Monday apologies for any inconvenience

HOUSE POINTS

Cuthbert	4090
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Bede	4550
Caedmon	3570

Useful Information

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[Useful School Forms](#)

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UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS IN 2025



W/C 17th March	Class 7 (Year 5) Derwent Hill all week
W/C 17th March	Scholastic Book Fair in school
Tuesday 25th March	EYFS Fire fun night (bookings only)
Friday 28th March	Class 7 (Y5) Maths Family Fun Friday in School Hall (2:15pm start-via school office) (see letter)
Monday 31st March	Class 4 (Y3) Pupil led Worship (9:00am) School Hall
Tuesday 1st April	Year 1 Parents Phonics screen meeting @ 4pm
Tuesday 1st April	EYFS Fire fun night (bookings only)
Wednesday 2nd April	One Voice Choir Event (invitation only)
Wednesday 2nd April	Parents Evening Consultations (Nursery - Y6)
Thursday 3rd April	Parents Evening Consultations (Nursery - Y6)
Friday 4th April	PTFA Monthly Meeting
Friday 4th April	Class 9 (Y6) Maths Family Fun Friday in School Hall (2:15pm start-via school office) (see letter)
Wednesday 9th April	KS2 Careers Fair (pupil only event)
April 14th - 25th	Easter Holiday
Monday 28th April	School re-opens to all pupils

WEEKLY REGULARS

W/C 17th March 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 No Class 7 (Y5) PE today 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 @ Beacon of Light
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 + Class 7 (Y5) EYFS Reception Children Forest School Miss Atkinson & Miss Salkelds'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)



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EYFS HAVING FUN IN COLOUR!

Our Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) children had a fantastic day immersing themselves in the vibrant traditions of the Hindu festival, Holi.

They began by exploring the significance of Holi, understanding it as a celebration marking the arrival of spring.

The children watched informative clips from Newsround, which provided insights into the festival's origins and customs. They learned about the meaning of each colour used during Holi festivities, recognising how colours symbolise various aspects of life and joy.

The day culminated in a joyful re-enactment of the traditional powder paint throwing, allowing the children to experience first-hand the exuberance of Holi. This hands-on activity not only brought smiles to their faces but also deepened their appreciation for cultural diversity and the rich tapestry of global celebrations.



SCHOOL NETBALL TEAM GET NEW KIT!

Our school netball team would like to say a huge thank you to the PTFA for their wonderful donation, which has provided them with brand-new netball kits and posts! We're sure you'll agree they look fantastic, and they will be proud to wear them while representing the school in tournaments.



PTFA NEWS

The PTFA are pleased that everyone really enjoyed the school disco on Thursday. Thanks to everyone they have raised a fantastic **£602.17 profit**.

They have also managed to raise an additional £21 from their pre-loved World Book Day costume sales.

The PTFA are looking for donations of chocolate Easter Eggs for planned events that will be happening in school - please hand any donations in through the school office - thank you in advance!

The PTFA are also still accepting donations of World Book Day costumes and outdoor winter coats



Class 9 (Y6) Leavers Hoodies

An email has been sent to all Y6 parents/carers with details about how to order a leavers hoodie for your child - closing date for orders is **Friday 25th April**

Please check you in box for more information