# Benton Dene School Newsletter

21st May 2021



Benton Dene School has a new phone number 0191 466 1818



#### **REMINDER**

June Half Term Holiday Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June

# COVID 19

Please note, there will be a letter emailed to you later today with information regarding the increase in numbers of Covid 19 in the North Tyneside area.

Please take time to read it.







Last week Benton Dene School celebrated Christian Aid Week. In the weekly 'Assembly' the children learned about the importance of helping each other and how Christian Aid was a charity that helped others.

Each class was given a red envelope. Teachers and Teaching Assistants were asked to spot the children in their classes being friendly, helpful or kind. Every time they saw this they were to add a star to the red envelope.

On Friday the stars were counted up. The class with the most stars was given a prize!

All classes earned lots of stars - it was fantastic!

Winners were: Yellow 4 Green 6 Blue 6 Blue 9

**English News** 

Blue 9 have been given a gift from the Schools Library Service. The boys are really enjoying the audiobooks. Audiobooks help build and enhance vital literacy skills such as fluency, vocabulary, language, punctuation, phonic awareness and comprehension skills.







# **A Healthy Smile**



A toothbrush and toothpaste without strong flavours. Check out their website for more information.

# **Class News**

Yellow 3: have been learning how to wash our hands and to get rid of germs!

**Yellow 4:** have been investigating and observing how plants grow in Science. We went on a nature walk and identified a variety of common plants. We found buttercups, ivy, dandelions and daisies.

**Green 6:** have been learning about the life cycle of plants and how we care for them. We have planted poppies, daisies and cat grass.

**Green 7:** In PSHE we have been looking at how we can stay safe in the sun and at home.

**Red 1:** have been carrying out a celery experiment in class this week. The class have been able to investigate how water is transported through the stem to the leaves of the celery.

Red 2: have been thinking about how incredible we are and redesigning ourselves as Superheroes!

Red 3: This week Red 3 have been to the pond area to hang up the bird feeders they made and to hunt for mini beasts.

**Red 4:** have written some amazing information texts about mythical creatures this week. We are enjoying playing cricket in PE.

**Blue 5:**have enjoyed doing a book review in English for a brand new author called Polly Faber .

**Blue 6:** were very excited as some of the tadpoles have turned into frogs and we've also had a great time setting up geocaching trails for other classes to discover.

**Blue 7:** have been learning about Ancient Greece and we have been practising Olympic sports.

**Blue 9:** are taking part in a Music workshop. We are composing and performing our own song.

### Stars of the week



Yellow 3: Oliver, Yellow 4: Swayze, Green 5: David,

Green 6: Billy, Green 7: Matilda, Green 8: Aaron,

Red 1: Ismaael, Red 2: Joshua, Red 3: Thomas, Red 4: Alex,

Blue 5: Anthony, Blue 6: Justin, Blue 7: Owen, Blue 9: Ryan.

### Achievements of the week

Yellow 3: Jude, Yellow 4: Alfie & Liam, Green 5: Harry, Green 6: Alex,

Green 7: Mason, Green 8: Abenezer, Red 1: Kieran, Red 2: Anne,

Red 3: Amelia, Red 4: Steven & Flynn, Blue 5: Luca, Blue 6: Connor S,

Blue 7: Alana, Blue 9: Rocco.

# 100% Attendance this week.

Green 5, Green 8, Red 1, Red 2, Red 4, Blue 6.



#### P.E. at Benton Dene School

Don't forget to upload your pictures to seesaw or tapestry.

Balloon ball. You can have endless fun playing with balloons; catch, tennis and seeing how long you can keep it off the ground.





Please ensure you ring the school office 0191 466 1818 if your child is going to be off school. Please leave your child's name, class and the reason that they will not be attending. If your child has sickness or diarrhoea please ensure they stay at home for 48 hours from the last episode. Thank you

# Resources for our 'Forest School'

We are looking for some resources for our Forest School. Do you have any old metal pans, tins, containers of any kind you no longer need?

Also looking for small baskets and wooden containers.



#### Thank You

School Uniform: We have lots of 'pre loved' uniform in school. If you need any to tide you over until the end of term, please get in touch on seesaw or phone the school office and ask for Chrissy 0191 466 1818

Please ensure you keep us up to date with any changes to contact details, ie—mobile numbers, emergency contact member details, email addresses, house moves.

It is important we have this information in case we need to contact you in a case of emergency.

You can do this by seesaw or contacting the office.

# **Holiday Dates**

June Half Term Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June

Teacher Training Day Friday 25th June

Summer Holiday Monday 19th July to Tuesday 31st August