



St. Benedict's Primary School

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We are enjoying our rights and fulfilling our dreams.

Ambition, Resilience, Respect

Next Week

	Events	Clubs
Monday 26th Jan		Music Composition Recorder Year 3 Football
Tuesday 27th Jan	Sampad dance project – Year 4 & 5	Year 3 Multisports Year 6 Drama Year 4 and 5 Art Year 6 Golf Year 2/3 Art
Wednesday 28th Jan	Hub Swimming Breakfast Club Research	
Thursday 29th Jan	Parent Presentation – PE and PSHE	Year 3 Cricket
Friday 30th Jan		

If you would like to take part in our **BREAKFAST CLUB RESEARCH** meeting on 28th January, come to the office for 9am.

2nd February – Breakfast Club Attendance Week. Make sure your child comes to Breakfast Club for the chance to win prizes, including a BIKE!

3rd February – 2:30pm Sampad Dance performance for all parents in Year 4 and 5.

5th February – Kingfisher Science Quiz. St. Benedict's are hosting a quiz where we will compete with other local primary schools. Who has the best science knowledge?

11th February – Parents' Meetings. School will close at 1pm. Look out for the letter next week about this.

16th February – Half Term

Attendance Week



Attendance Focus Week – Let's Aim for 100%!

If your child attended school every day this week, their name will go in the prize draw winning wheel. Make sure your child is in school on Monday 26th January for the chance to win £50.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us promote excellent attendance.

A huge well done to the following classes for exceeding our attendance target this week, **4V, 6N, 6P, 1D, 2K and 5H.**

A reminder, if your child cannot attend school for any reason, it is your responsibility to inform school on the same day of absence. You must contact the school office, send an email or leave a voicemail message with your child's name, class and reason for absence. If your child has an appointment, you must provide medical evidence to support this. Failure to do so could result in an unauthorised absence which may lead to a fine.



Children's Experiences Outside School



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ST. BENEDICT'S

PRIMARY SCHOOL OF MUSIC

It would be great to understand more about the music that impacts on your child, you and your family so we can celebrate music together as a school.

We will use some of this information to deliver fun music sessions in class with your child's friends and teachers in school, using music that is familiar to them.

This questionnaire should take you no longer than 15 minutes to complete and all answers will be anonymised.

Scan the QR code here, thank you!

Children's Musical Experiences
Outside School RBC St Benedict's
Primary School of Music



Considering a Term-Time Holiday? Important Information for Parents

Regular attendance is essential for your child's learning, confidence, and overall progress.

The Legal Position

By law, children must attend school regularly. Schools can only approve term-time leave in exceptional circumstances.

Requesting Leave

If you feel your situation may be exceptional:

1. **Submit a leave request** to the school in advance. The form is available from the office.
2. **Provide details** of the reason and dates. If your children are flying abroad, we will also need to see plane tickets which show the return date
3. **Mrs. Nott will consider the circumstances** and notify you of the decision. Family holidays, regardless of cost or convenience, **are not normally considered exceptional**.

Penalty Notices

Birmingham local authority will **consider issuing a fine** when a child has **10 or more sessions** (equivalent to 5 school days) of unauthorised absence **within a rolling 10-week period**

How Much Are the Fines?

£80 if paid within **21 days**, **£160** if paid within **28 days**

If the fine is not paid within 28 days, the local authority may prosecute you through the courts.

Who Gets the Fine?

Penalty Notices are issued **per parent, per child**.

What Happens if You Don't Pay the Fine?

If a parent chooses not to pay the Penalty Notice, the local authority will **proceed to court** for the original offence (failing to secure regular attendance) and parents could receive a fine upto £2500.

