



A huge well done to all our pupils who completed this year's Summer Library Reading Challenge! Your dedication to reading over the holidays is fantastic and sets you up for a great year of learning. We are very proud of you!

Thank you to Mrs. Brett for delivering an informative First Aid Seizure Assembly. Our children learned the basics of how to recognise a seizure and what to do to help. This is an important life skill and we appreciate Mrs. Brett's time and expertise in making sure everyone at St Benedict's is prepared to act confidently and safely in an emergency.

Today, we came together as a school community to reflect on International World Day of Peace, which falls on Sunday. This year's theme is '**Act Now for a Peaceful World**'. We spent time thinking about what peace means to us and how we can contribute to a just and peaceful world. We ended our reflection with a prayer, asking God to guide us in promoting justice and peace in our school, local community, and the wider world.

Lord,

We pray for a world where everyone can live in peace,
Where justice and kindness guide our actions,
And where we learn to listen, forgive and support one another.
Help us to be peacemakers in all that we do.
Amen.



Sunday 21st September 2025

25TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR C



Luke 16: 1-13

The one who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great.

Prayer of the Month – September



For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Upcoming Dates

Monday 22nd September

Individual School Photographs
2pm Beginning of Year Mass

Tuesday 23rd September

3.30pm Meet the Teacher Year R

Friday 26th September

Aylesford Priory Year 4 (Beginning of Year Mass)
Macmillan Cake Sale

Wednesday 1st October

Kent Life Class Trip Year 3
6.30 pm SBA AGM

Friday 3rd October

Leaderships Assembly (For those invited).

Wednesday 15th October

2pm Harvest Mass

Friday 17th October

INSET DAY (No children to attend school)

Monday 20th October- Friday 25th

Half-Term

Monday 27th October
Children return to school.

Please do not book holidays in term time.

Catholic Social Teaching (CST) Principle of the Week



Being peacemakers

Promoting peace

Safeguarding



Our Safeguarding Team are:

Mrs McAlpine – Designated Safeguarding Lead
Miss Howell - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Read – Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Stuart - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Please find below useful links to help keep children safe.

<https://www.childline.org.uk/>

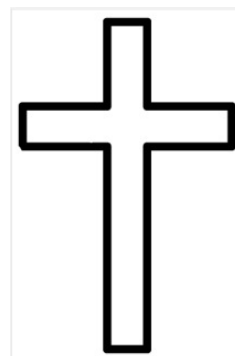
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>

<http://www.mscc.org.uk/>

Value of the Week Next Week



We are self-motivated.



Superstars and Learners of the Week

Year R

Superstar: Lawrence for settling in beautifully this week and joining in with lots of dancing and singing!

Superstars: Winnie for beautiful writing of numbers and sounds and making wonderful progress with subitizing!

Year 1

Superstar: Marley for her growing confidence when coming into St Michael's class every morning. We're very proud of you.

Learner: Hezekiah for using great Maths vocabulary this week! Great Work!

Year 2

Superstar: La Rosa has wowed me this week with her hard work and determination. She's also been on hand to offer support to her friends when they were feeling sad. Well done, La Rosa!

Learner: It has been fantastic to see Parker grow in confidence this week. He has worked so hard to listen and follow instructions. Thank you, Parker.

Year 3

Superstar: Maryam has been a superstar this week with her behaviour for learning and her participation in class. She is growing in confidence with sharing her thoughts and ideas.

Learner: Tommy not only has been working so hard this week with his learning (especially in Science) but has been demonstrating our school value of Confidence with it! Keep it up Tommy!

Year 4

Superstar: Well done Finn – you were very confident in your learning and class discussions this week. I am very proud of you.

Learner: Vanessa showed amazing perseverance this week when working with place value and thousand numbers. Great job young lady.

Year 5

Superstar: Our superstar is Oliver for having a wonderful attitude towards learning. He has also gone above and beyond by helping others with their learning.

Learner: Our learner of the week is Dylan for showing confidence in the classroom. He has been eager to read out loud, to share his work and to contribute to class discussions.

Year 6

Superstar: Our Superstar of the Week is awarded to Tallulah for showing growing confidence in Maths. She is already remembering taught strategies and applying them successfully in her arithmetic learning — well done Tallulah!

Learner: Our Learner of the Week is awarded to William for writing a super formal letter that included all the key features of the genre, while adding his own style and humour to make it a thoroughly enjoyable read.

Attendance Matters

Attendance Ladder



Attendance Class Winners Last Week

1st Year R 99.20%

2nd Year 5 98.75%

2nd Year 3 98.75%



Times Tables Rock Stars



Fastest
Highest Earner
Most Improved
Star of the Week

Frankie Y5
 Audrielle Y4
 Jason Y4
 Henry Y5

Summer Reading Challenge



Well done to all the children who completed the Summer Reading Challenge.



Assembly on Seizures

Mrs Brett, one of our governors who is also a paramedic, came into school to hold an assembly about how to treat someone who is having a seizure.



Approach Road

Thank you to all our parents who park responsibly, allowing our school community to enter and exit safely.



Amazon Voucher

Congratulations to Year 4, who have won a £50 Amazon Voucher, donated by the SBA, for selling the most raffle tickets at the end of last year when they were in Year 3. Thank you to the SBA for arranging this.





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SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

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YOUR COLLECTION IS
ARRANGED ON:

30 OCTOBER
THURSDAY

FILL ANY BAGS WITH CLOTHING AND
BRING THEM TO SCHOOL/ORGANISATION
WE WILL COLLECT AND WEIGH THEM

WE ACCEPT

- Good quality clean clothing (adult's, children's, baby)
- Shoes (paired)
- Bags
- Hats & scarves
- Belts
- Fashion accessories
- Swimwear, lingerie
- Jewellery
- Perfumes

WE DON'T ACCEPT

- Uniforms
- Dirty, wet, ripped, damaged clothing
- Traditional clothing
- Duvets & pillows
- Single shoes
- Toys, stationery
- Bric-a-brac & electrical items
- Books, CDs, DVDs
- Workwear
- Carpets, rugs, mats, curtains
- Hygiene items, diapers
- Linen & towels

PLEASE NO UNIFORMS & DUVETS!

RAISE MONEY FOR YOUR SCHOOL BY GIVING
AWAY YOUR UNWANTED CLOTHES



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Learning and Challenge Rooted in Faith.

2025/2026

School Tours for September 2026

for children born between 1st September
2021 and 31st August 2022

Parents of children of all faiths are invited
to visit the school for a tour with the
headteacher.



Dates and Times of Tours:

Thursday 2 nd October 2025	9:30am
Thursday 16 th October 2025	9:30am
Thursday 6 th November 2025	9:30am
Thursday 13 th November 2025	9:30am
Thursday 4 th December 2025	9:30am

Please book via the office:

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office@st-benedicts.medway.sch.uk





Year 2 Forest School

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Year 1





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Saturday 11th October

5-16
Years

£8 per
Child

Drop off
10:30

Pick up
13:00

Lunch
Included

MidKent College Community Hub, Gillingham. ME7 1FN

Text: 07466069145 // DM: @MedwayCulture on Instagram

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FUN DAY**

20 September 2025
The Friars, Aylesford, ME20 7BX

- Ice cream •
- Games and prizes •
- Face painting •
- Obstacle course •
- Emergency service vehicles •
- Bouncy castle •
- Fun fair rides •
- Food stalls •
- more



Fasten up for our Family Fun Day!
Meet real lifesavers, learn lifesaving skills, and make family memories!

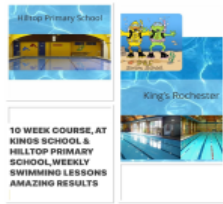
aakss.org.uk/kent-fun-day

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WE TEACH AT KINGS SCHOOL ROCHESTER ME1

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