



We Offer our condolences to the family and the parish on the death of Fr Bill Mason whose funeral it was today. May he rest in peace.

Kate Pereira

Children In Need

We would like to say a huge thank you for the Children In Need non-uniform day which raised £1,033 and 21 pence! Staff and students alike took up the option for a more relaxed dress code on the Friday and we are so pleased that we will be able to support Children In Need with charities they help in the Eastern Region.

Mr Wright

Mock Examinations

Many thanks to our Year 11 students who have just finished their round of mock examinations. A reminder that Year 9 Option subject mocks start on the 4th December and a detailed timetable has now been sent to Year 9 students and their parents.

Forewarning that Year 13 are next on stage for mock examinations. These will take place over the first two weeks straight after the Christmas holiday. They will take part in normal lessons and we will be publishing a detailed timetable shortly. In the meantime can I ask you to encourage students to revise carefully for these as they form essential preparation for the real examinations coming up in the Summer. Many thanks and good luck to all our students.

Mr D'Mello

Scholastic Book Club

Don't forget that our latest Scholastic Book Club is now online at <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/st-benedicts-suffolk>. There are hundreds of fantastic children's books to choose from, and every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club will earn 25p for our school in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your order online by November 30th, 2017.

Exam Certificates

GCSE and A2 certificates will be handed out at a Presentation Tea on 4 January 2018 – invitations have been sent out.

AS certificates will be handed out at school in December.

If you are unable to attend the Presentation Tea, then you will be able to collect your certificates by appointment only. Please send email to the Exams Officer: daliaga@st-benedicts.suffolk.sch.uk.

Please also note that the school is only legally obliged to hold certificates for one year, and after that they may be destroyed. Any costs for securing a replacement certificate through the exam board will have to be met by you.

If you have siblings, friends, relatives who never collected their certificates, please contact the Exams Officer by email: daliaga@st-benedicts.suffolk.sch.uk.

Mrs Aliaga

Reminders and Key Dates

Gum shields are available to buy from the school shop for £1.50 each, in either junior or senior size. Mr Taylor wants all students to wear a gum shield when playing hockey or rugby – it is now mandatory to do so in all clubs. Use the link here : <https://www.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Uniform/Default.aspx?shopid=532>

The PE department are missing a number of school team shirts including netball, football and rugby. We are having difficulty putting teams out in full kit. If you could please check your son/daughter does not have a St Benedict's team kit at home. If they do please send in as a matter of urgency. They will be greatly received by the PE department.

Mr Taylor

If you are applying for a year 7 place in September 2018, please can you ensure that you have completed a SIF and returned it to the school

Christmas Magic Show

Five year 13 business students are organising a magic show with professional magician James Samuel for the year 7's and 8's as a Christmas activity. The show will be held on the 14th of December 2017 at the lower school site during periods 3&4.



There will be a voluntary contribution of £3 with the possibility of donating more as 20% of all the money raised will be going to charity. The rest of the money will be going towards extra resources for St Benedict's Catholic School, such as CCTV and better facilities for students. All money donated is to be paid via Parentpay. We will also be selling refreshments on the day of the show and recommend that students bring in £1-2 to buy some refreshments to make them enjoy the experience even more, this is optional. There is a link for you to enjoy some of James' amazing magic <https://spark.adobe.com/page/NbTVtAS6vpaRd/>. His website is attached as well if you are interested in booking him for an event with more information available on there. www.JamesSamuelMagician.co.uk

Christmas Carol Concert—Monday 4 December 2017 7.00pm

**End of Term—Tuesday 19 December 2017
Term Starts—Wednesday 3 January 2018
Week B**