

## St Benedict's Number Day 2022

Wednesday 19th January was St Benedict's Number Day, and it was a great success.

Numeracy was included in some way in all subjects across the school. We had Basketball Bingo and data analysis in PE, resultant forces being calculated in Science, map analysis in Geography, Ukulele playing to a beat in music, mathematical terms being explained and written in English, and translation of numbers in French and Spanish classes.



RE had a competition running across all lessons that day, 'how many numbers can you find in the Bible starting with the number 1?' Mrs Bowyer's Year 9 class found all the numbers between 1 and 50. Mr Wallace had two stand out students that reached the highest number in his class, Santi Davies and Michael McLoughlin in Year 11.

Break times also featured numeracy. At morning break time, Alice Bullock was able to tell me the first 100 digits of pi which was very impressive. The numeracy lunchtime activities were very popular with all year groups.

There was a Times Table Rockstars Battle, Origami competition and Maths Quiz on offer thanks to the Maths Department.



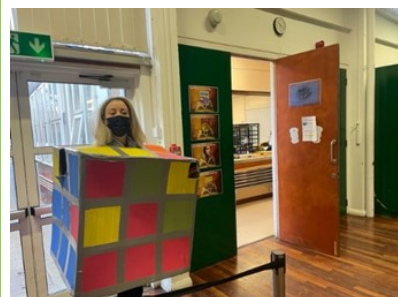
The TT Rockstars winners were: Raf Calumpiano, Dale Jensen, and Angelle Miranda.

The Origami competition winners were: Anthony Denni, Lilly Rose, and Madison Gage.

The Maths Quiz winners were: Ailish Kemble, Heidi Thornton, and Clare Jones.

Donations were collected for the Malala Fund for wearing non-uniform with a number on. The donation option is still available on Parent Pay if you would like to add a donation. We will let you know the amount raised as soon as the money has been totalled up.

There was a fantastic effort on a Number Day outfit by Mrs Keefe, she came to school dressed as a Rubik's Cube. She struggled to get through doorways and



write on the whiteboard but showed resilience and wore the cube for most of the day.

Throughout the day, the students did a ski run numeracy starter in each lesson. They had to remember the final numbers from periods 1-4 and then use them to work out the relevance of that number to our school. The answers were 1, 9, 6, and 7, which is the year our school was founded, 1967. Lots of students were able to work it out, some even guessed it as early as Period 2.

Mrs Berry did a favourite number survey at the front of the school when the students arrived. Out of the 290 students asked, there was a big range of answers, and the most popular number was 7. Some interesting answers included Euler's number, Graham's number, Infinity, Million, and last but not means least Avogadro's number.

A big thank you to all staff and students for your help to make our first number day so successful.

Mrs Eastwood

## MFL Film Club

Do you enjoy watching foreign films (with subtitles!) and discovering the life and culture of different countries through the medium of film?

Then the MFL Department's World Film Club is for you.



Ms Wintersteller and Mrs Dalby will be showing the wonderful French Film "Les aventures extraordinaires d'Adèle Blanc-Sec".

The first half of the film will be shown on Wednesday, 26th of January.

The second half of the film will be shown on Wednesday, 2nd of February.

We will start promptly at 3.50pm and will finish shortly before 5 pm.

Everybody is warmly invited to come and share our passion for film with biscuits provided.

We are looking forward to seeing you on Thursday (02/02/2022) and bring along some popcorn!



Desperate to cure her near catatonic sister, intrepid authoress Adèle Blanc-Sec braves ancient Egyptian tombs and modern Egyptian lowlife to locate a mummified doctor and get him back to Paris.

Her hope is that oddball Professor Espérandieu will then use his unusual powers to bring the doctor back to life so he, in

turn, can use his centuries-old skills on the unfortunate sister.

In Paris however Espérandieu is already causing mayhem, having brought to life what was a safe museum egg but is now a very active pterodactyl. Paris 1911 may not be the healthiest place to be.