



Message from the Principal

Dear students, parents and friends

This week St Benedict's has had a real sense of cross-phase partnership as we have been joined by students from year 5 and year 6; year 6 students had their induction day on Monday and year 5 students have had a taster experience of life at St Benedict's today. There have been lots of smiling faces!

Yesterday we had a wonderful sports day; the afternoon was very positive with lots of teamwork and personal endeavour from the competitors. Thank you to Mr Clegg and all involved in the organisation of the event.

Mrs Santinelli

Sports day 2017

Fantastic contribution from all who took part. Such excellent efforts and spirits were shown throughout. Thank you to all staff in supporting the PE department with sports day 2017. Thank you to the members of photography club for capturing the action.

Our congratulations go to Akin Akinboh, Danny Millward and Danielle McClean who each picked up an award for being **Top Athlete 2017**.

Congratulations to Freya Richardson and Ray Ese who are the first recipients of the new All-round sports person of the year award, kindly donated by retired PE teacher Mrs Ruth Burdett.

BOYS	STB	END
Year 7	130	181
Year 8	191	165
Year 9	176	193
Year 10	193	167
Combined	690	706

GIRLS	STB	END
Year 7	167	150
Year 8	174	131
Year 9	161	142
Year 10	143	149
Combined	645	572
OVERALL RESULT	1,335	1,278





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The National Citizenship Service

Mrs Axtell writes:

Year 11 were spoken to by Stuart Braybrooke from Essex County Council about NCS, which is a government-funded programme aimed at 15-17 years olds. It is designed to bring together young people from diverse backgrounds teaching them teamwork and communication skills. It will make them more responsible, ready for life after school and engage them in their local community. It will help boost their CVs with a certificate signed by the prime minister, and is also recognised by UCAS. The cost of the four week project is £50.00.

NCS have established a champions league where a school can earn a gold, silver or bronze award depending on the number of students signed up to the programme. St Benedict's have earned a bronze award as 49 students have signed up with NCS. We have the highest number of students in the Colchester area and on Tuesday, Matt Baker, vice principal, and Tricia Axtell, careers co-ordinator, accepted a plaque from Kristina Burns of NCS on behalf of the school.





Please help the Great charity chop raise £200

Esme and Kitty from class 7N are going to be raising money for Little Princess and Macmillian Cancer Support.

On Thursday 13th July, Esme and Kitty are going to have their lovely long hair chopped off in front of any teacher or student who buys a ticket. The tickets cost 20 pence each and can be purchased from either Esme or Kitty or purchased on the day. Their hair is going to be donated to Little Princess Trust. They also have sponsor forms for those who would like to give more and a 'just giving' page.

Little Princess Trust provides real-hair wigs, free of charge, to boys and girls that have lost their own hair through cancer treatment and other illnesses. Please visit them at www.littleprincesses.org.uk to find out how they have given away over 5,000 free wigs. Please help us help them to give more.

Macmillan's ambition is to reach and improve the lives of everyone living with cancer and to inspire millions of others to do the same.

Parents - There is also a 'just giving' page

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ourcharitychop>. Please donate as the girls would love to raise £200.



There is going to be a bake sale on at lunchtime on Friday 14th in the Manning Hall. Any donations of cakes would be greatly appreciated.

Numeracy challenge

Answers for Week Ending Friday 7th July



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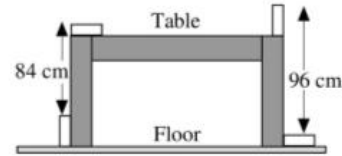
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D 1023



Four identical blocks of wood are placed touching a table in the positions shown in this side-on view.



How high is the table?

- A 84cm B 87cm C 90cm D 93cm



The diagram shows four empty glasses with their bases at the bottom. One move consists of turning exactly three of the four glasses upside-down. What is the smallest number of moves needed before all of the glasses have their bases at the top?



- A 3 B 4 C 7 D 11



What is the value of

$$101 + 2002 + 30003 + 400004 + 5000005?$$

- A 5432115 B 15012345
C 5234325 D 54321012345

Entries for this week's challenge to Mrs Belsey by 2pm on Friday 14th July:

Chaplaincy news

Dear students, parents, and friends,

Confirmation and welcomes



One of the great joys of being chaplain of our school is the diversity of events and activities that I get to be involved. On Sunday 2nd July I attended the confirmation Mass at St Teresa of Liseux, Lexden, celebrated by Bishop Alan. It was particularly pleasing to be with a number of our year 9, 10 and 11 students who received the sacrament, plus the many other students and their families from St Benedict's who attended the Mass. Many congratulations to our confirmandi and prayers for them, their sponsors, godparents and parents.

On 30th June and the 3rd July we welcomed our new students who will be joining year 7 in September. Over the two days the students enjoyed many activities designed to help them get to know their new classmates, their new surroundings and some of their teachers., Finally, on Friday 7th July we welcomed 120 year 5 students to St Benedict's for a taster day.

Busy but happy times as we look forward to the future with joy and hope knowing that wherever we are, wherever we go, Christ is with us.



Heavenly Father, gracious God, we thank you for the many blessings that we receive. Strengthen in faith all those who have received the sacrament of confirmation; guide all those going to new schools, colleges and universities in September; help us to see Christ present in our world and each other and in whose name we offer this prayer. Amen.

***With blessings
Deacon Richard***

Tuesday 11th July St Benedict's Day We welcome priests from across our deanery to celebrate our patronal festival at 10.10 on Tuesday 11th July. This will be followed by a celebration lunch. Please note that tickets for the lunch are no longer for sale.

Saturday 15th July 2017 Our Lady of Light Clacton Summer Fete: all are welcome.

Saturday 22nd July Centenary celebrations Walsingham Bishop Alan leads the centenary celebration at Walsingham, beginning at 12 noon and ending with Mass in the abbey grounds at 3.00 pm. Contact your local parish office for transport details or see the letter regarding St Benedict's participation on this special day.

Chaplaincy activities w/c 10th July 2017

Monday 10th July 2017

8.30 - 8.40 Morning Prayer
11.10 Chaplaincy reps'



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Monday in the 14 th week of Ordinary Time	1.30 Altar servers' rehearsal
Tuesday 11 th July 2017 St Benedict – Patronal festival	8.15 College Mass 10.10 Feast day Mass – Sports Hall 1.30 Celebration Lunch
Wednesday 12 th July 2017 Wednesday in the 14 th week of Ordinary Time	8.30 - 8.40 Morning Prayer Chaplaincy reps' visit
Thursday 13 th July 2017 Thursday in the 14 th week of Ordinary Time	8.30 - 8.40 Morning Prayer 1.30 - 2.15 Light a candle for a loved one
Friday 14 th July 2017 Friday in the 14 th week of Ordinary Time	8.30 - 8.40 Morning Prayer 2.00 Chaplaincy reps' gathering

Sports news

Congratulations to the year 7 athletes who were selected to represent north east Essex at the county athletics in Chelmsford. They all did very well in what was a very strong competition.
Long jump: Jesse Vecchiet; Discus: Ava Scarfe; 1500m: Antoine Atmadjov; Shot: Jesse Adetunji; 800m: Josh Calvert; 200m: Emmanuel Lews. Well done to all.

Sports results

Team	Result	Most Valuable Player
Year 7 cricket	Lost v Stanway	Dev Agrawal