

# Benger Bulletin

29<sup>th</sup> March 2017  
Sutton Benger CE Primary  
School Newsletter  
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## Strive, Believe, Succeed...in 'Peace'

This term our School Value is 'Peace'. A question you might want to discuss with your children is 'Why are there places in the world where people do not live in peace?'

### 'Headlines'...

Congratulations to the Year 3 and 4 Football team who achieved fourth place out of 17 teams in the Malmesbury Cluster Schools Tournament – please read the full report in this newsletter. A big thank you must go to Simon James who has coached the Benger Blazers team and gives an extraordinary amount of voluntary time to the team.

The Nordic Walking for the Year 5 and 6 has been very successful and all children (and staff) have used muscles that they did not realise they could use! On the last Wednesday of this term, a team will be going to Oaksey School to take part in a competition there and we wish to thank Steve Ellis from Gemini Outdoors for his lead in this area.

On a recent visit to the school by our Educational Welfare Officer it was noted that an increasing number of children are arriving late at school in the morning as well as increase of leave of absence requests. A late arrival leads to a disruptive start to the day for both the children and the class they are late for. Please can we remind you that the school day starts at **8.50am** and any child arriving late will have this recorded against their name or if exceptionally late this may be recorded as an unauthorised absence. Please remember if your child is late you will need to come into school and sign them in as children should not be arriving late into school unaccompanied. We also need to remind parents that routine medical and dentist appointments must be made out of school time as an increasing number of requests are being made for appointments. In future these requested will be unauthorised, unless an emergency is evidenced. Please see the new Attendance Information Leaflet attached.

It was lovely to see so many 'Rainbow Class' parents attend the children's first assembly so thank you for making the children's performance so special for them. It can be very daunting to stand up in front of the whole school and the children did very well indeed singing various songs and telling us about their learning.

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April it will be the school Easter Service in All Saints Church at 9.20am. It would be lovely to see as many parents and families as possible who are able to join us in this special Service. Thank you to Reverend Evelyn Bone and our children for leading our service.

Ursula Scott

### Super Learning Power Certificates

17 March 2017

22 March

Red Super Solver	Charlotte Clayton, Milarose Hopkins, Poppy Blackmore,	Frazer Lyus, Matthew Jones
Yellow Super Glue	Alice Collier-Marsh, Louis Handy, Thomas Ramsey, Lauren Littleford, Billy Fox, Macie Cotter, Callum Littleford	Aston Mussard, Maya Duangchan, Anna Barry, Logan Bolton, Summer Davis, Laura Goodman
Blue Super Helper	Freya Lyus	
Purple Super Thinker	Megan Pickering, Thomas Barr, Shannon King, Luke Hiscocks, Esther Woodville	
Green Super Bud		
Orange Super Star		

## Benger Blazers Football Squad

"Well done to Benger Blazers our Year 3/4 football squad who participated in the Malmesbury Football Festival, on Thursday 16 March.

On a windswept and bitterly cold Spring afternoon a solid performance by the squad, with some great goalkeeping, defending and attacking play, saw the team win their first two matches against Walter Powell and Oaksey, snatch a last minute goal in their third match to draw against Lea and Garsdon, and lose in the fourth game to our neighbours Christian Malford. These results placed the team into the third and fourth playoff match with St Josephs, and after an evenly fought match full of incidences, Blazers lost two nil.

With great team spirit and good sportsmanship throughout the five matches played, the team was a credit to the school, and should be extremely proud of reaching a fantastic fourth place (out of seventeen schools).

A huge well done to George, Charlie, Bethany, Xavier, Alfie, Arthur, Patrick, Joe, Tim and Aston



## Early Birds and Tea Birds Clubs

Are you looking for good quality and affordable childcare before and/or after school?

We currently have spaces in our Early Birds Club on most days and in our Tea Birds Club on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. With a session at Early Birds costing just £4.30 and one at Tea Birds from £3.60, they are reasonably priced alternatives to other childcare services.

The Early Birds club provides a relaxed and settled start to your child's day – with or without breakfast, whichever you prefer. The children choose how they spend their time, whether it is reading, playing games or just sitting and chatting with their friends.

Tea Birds run a range of activities throughout the week including: cooking, art, film night, electronics and free choice activities. They also make very good use of the outside areas and with three members of staff on hand there is always a choice of activity for the children.

Here is what some of our children say about these clubs, 'I really enjoy the craft activities and also playing outside' – Hugo. 'I love the cooking – we've made shortbread, fairy cakes and pizza' – Jess.

### **Tea Birds Term 5 key activities:**

Monday – art.  
Tuesday – electronics.  
Wednesday – cooking.  
Thursday - film night.  
Friday – free choice.

### **Wanted!**

Tea Birds are in need of a new games console.  
Do you have one sat, unloved in a cupboard at home which could be put to good use at school?  
If so, please let us know as any donations will be very gratefully received.

## School Reminders

### Wednesday 29 March Pre-Loved Clothes Sale

7.30pm – 9.30pm

**Free wine** on arrival to enjoy while you shop.

**Cash only, so bring your coins. T-shirts and leggings from 50p. Shorts, Skirts, Shirts and tops from £1. Jumpers, Trousers, Jeans, Dresses from £2. Bargain baby bundles.**

All proceeds going to Sutton Benger School, Benger Bears Preschool and Benger Bunnies toddler group.

It should be a great evening, spread the word and come and grab some bargains, thank you.

### Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March FOSBS Cake Sale and Easter Hamper Draw

2.45pm – 4pm, School Hall

Come along and buy some tasty cakes for the weekend. If you have purchased a ticket to win an Easter Hamper the draw will take place here.



All donations of cakes will be gratefully received. Please drop off your donations to the school office on Friday morning

### Wednesday 5 April Easter Service

Sutton Benger School

All Saints Church, Sutton Benger  
9.20am – 10.20am

**All are welcome to join us in this special service.**

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### Cricket Lessons Years 4 and 5

After the Easter break cricket lessons will start (on a Tuesday for 6 weeks) for Faith and Peace classes. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit with them throughout the week.

These lessons are being led by the 'Chance to Shine' cricket team.

## Community News

### Chippenham Library has some new and exciting FREE events coming up

**Sat 1 April (10:30-11:15)** Once Upon a Saturday Fantastic stories & super activities (suitable for 4-7s)

**Tues 4 April (4:00-4:30)** Booksters Reading Group for children in years 5 & 6 Come along and join us for lively discussion & debate!

**Tues 18 April (2:30-3:00)** Funny Bunny Stories suitable for children 4+

**Fri 21 April (2:00-2:30)** The Day the Crayons Quit story and art activity for children 4-11

### Sunday 8 April – Saturday 22 April FOSBS Easter Trail

The trail will start on Saturday 8th April and finish on Saturday 22nd April.

Come and wander around Sutton Benger looking at the trail of clues/anagrams/scarecrows/objects in selected gardens or windows. Clue Sheets and maps available from the Post Office at £3 a sheet. Prizes for the most correct trail of clues/anagrams/scarecrows/objects in selected gardens or windows. Old or Young, do please give it a go, it is a lot of fun and in turn you will be helping us to raise some much needed funds for our school playground refurbishment.

The Theme this year is Nursery Rhymes.

### Friday 28 April Tennis Coaching

Junior Tennis coaching on the Sutton Benger courts will start on Friday 28th April for 5 weeks and recommence after half-term for 7 weeks. There are currently two age groups planned:

5-8 year olds starting at 5:00pm  
9-11 year olds starting at 6:00pm

The cost is £25 for term 5 and £35 for term 6 and payment should be given to Katie Brown at the start of each term Equipment is provided and the numbers are limited to a maximum of 8 pupils.

To book a space please contact Katie Brown 07775255685 katie\_\_brown@hotmail.com (double underscore) or Lynne Gill (LTA Coach) (Tel 01249 447946) any14tennis@hotmail.com for coaching information.