



St. Benedict's Primary School

11.10.24



*We are enjoying our rights and fulfilling our dreams.
Ambition, Resilience, Respect*

Save the Date!

24.10.24 2pm Autumn Arts Festival
Parents must come to school at 2pm
25.10.24 INSET – school closed
28.10.24 - Half term
04.11.24 INSET – school closed
05.11.24 start of term
**06.11.24 Jack and the Beanstalk –
theatre in school!**
**06.11.24 Parents Meetings 1 – 4:30pm
(school closes 1pm)**
07.11.24 Parents Meetings 3:30 – 4:30pm
19.12.24 - end of term, school closes 1pm
20.12.24 INSET – school closed

Changes to charging

From November, school dinner prices will be £2.65 per day, £13.25 per week.
Any requests for letters (e.g. proof of pupil attending the school) will be £8.

Poetry by Heart

Poetry by Heart is a national poetry speaking competition for schools and colleges in England. Taking part in Poetry By Heart is all about developing confidence with poetry in an enjoyable, accessible and engaging way that leads to its life-long enjoyment. This year our children will have the opportunity to enter the competition. Further information will be provided on this over the coming months.

**POETRY BY
HEART**

To celebrate National Poetry Day and the launch of 'Poetry by Heart' 2025, eight lucky Year 5 children were selected to attend an amazing event at the globe theatre in London. The children were an absolute credit to the school!



Next Week

14.10.24 Ponies here
15.10.24 Y2 Story time 2:50pm
16.10.24 Reading volunteers training
16.10.24 ESOL classes
17.10.24 Y1 Story time 2:50pm
17.10.24 Stay and Play
17.10.24 Deadline for autumn arts competition
18.10.24 Y5 Reading workshop

Oracy at St Ben's

We are a Voice 21 School!

Voice 21 is the national charity that supports schools to build speaking and listening into the curriculum, teaching and learning and wider school life.

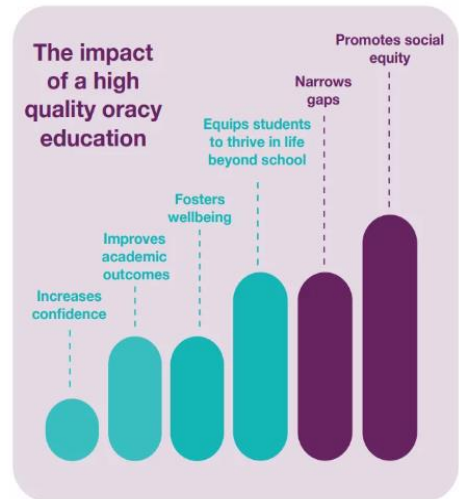
What is oracy?

Oracy is the ability to articulate ideas, develop understanding and engage with others through spoken language.

Across the school this term, we are encouraging the children to 'talk about talk' using our oracy framework to create a shared language around talk (see below).

The Impact of Oracy

Oracy skills are crucial to children and young people's success in school and in their life beyond. You can see from the diagram below that a high-quality oracy education can impact students in a wide range of ways.



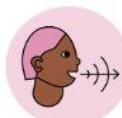
The Oracy Framework

Here are some things to think about when you are using your oracy skills:



Physical

Are you speaking **loud enough** to be heard?
Are you speaking **at a speed** that people can understand?



Linguistic

Are you starting to join ideas together with words like **and, because** and **but**?
Are you **using** appropriate **subject-specific vocabulary**?



Cognitive

Are you **asking relevant questions**?
Are you **responding to others**?
Are you **giving reasons** for your opinions?



Social & Emotional

Are you **taking turns** to talk and listen?