



St Benedict's Newsletter



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LENT On Wednesday, we marked the start of Lent with our Ash Wednesday Mass. Deacon Steve and Father Alex encouraged us to give to charity, fast and pray during the Lenten Season.

Lord, bless us as we gather to mark the season of Lent. We know that you call us to overcome our selfishness, to trust always in your goodness and to reach out to others with compassion. During this holy time may we rediscover the value of prayer, and the importance of caring for others. Teach us by the example of your Son who spent forty days in the wilderness that we need to take time to be with you and to rediscover the things that really matter. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen



PANCAKES!! It wouldn't be Shrove Tuesday at St Benedict's without the traditional Pancake Race and Beckett House flipped their way to first place this year. Students from all years were whipped up to form teams and Catering Manager, Anita Hellyer, showed them how it should be done and offered free lunches to the victors. Beckett were fastest while Fisher took second place, keeping their nerve and their pancake intact.



We were also invited to take part in the annual Alcester Town Pancake Race. Miss Nallen and Naomi accompanied 11 Year 8 students (left), who, because of the weather ended up racing each other in the pouring rain!! Year 12 Student, Kate Delany (right) was victorious in the women's race!! Well done to all students who took part!



GIRLS FOOTBALL During January and February, our girls' football teams took part in five-a-side tournaments at Stratford Upon Avon School. The girls train together every Tuesday, and have led each session themselves. Well done to Rosanna Caranci who played in both tournaments. A huge thank you to Year 8 students Rosanna and Beth Jones who have organised and led training for Year 7 and 8 this term. Both girls play for Inkberrow Town.



THANK YOU to Manufacturing Control Solutions Ltd who have kindly donated a football kit to the school. The stanno kit looks very smart and has already been worn by both boys' and girls' teams across different age group.



KEEP KNTTING! - Thank you to everyone who has donated hats so far (currently over 100). The deadline for the Innocent Smoothie Big Knit has been extended to July so we can continue to collect the little knitted hats! 25p from each hat goes to Age UK.

ROAD SAFETY REMINDER Please can parents remind their son or daughter that when travelling to and from school they **must** exercise caution when crossing roads and **must** always use the pedestrian crossings provided.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 6 March to Friday 10 March	Year 10 Exams
Tuesday 21 March	Year 10 Parents' Evening 4.15pm to 7.15pm
Monday 27 March to Friday 31 March	Year 8 Exams

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