



St Mary's and St Benedict's RC Primary School

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	Star of the Week	Reader of the Week
Benedict	Olly and Ruadhan	Matthew
Finch	Kieran and Jamal	Freddie
Haydock	Jessica and Hunter	Codie
Mary	Lacey and Leo	Lexi
Marsden	Lucas and Scarlett	Robert
Rigby	Owen and Nellie	Rozalía
Roe	Chloe and Amy	Molly
Southworth	Harry and Scarlett	Dhyana
Ward	Joseph and Arthur	Macey
Woodcock	Ava and Corey	Grace





Pre-school Roald Dahl Day – The children in Pre-school had a great time celebrating Roald Dahl Day. They made a crocodile, like the one from the story 'The Enormous Crocodile' and played with a crocodile swamp. At snack time they had hot chocolate from Charlie's Chocolate Factory!

If your child has turned three and you would like them to join our fabulous pre-school, please contact the school office for further information.



Sunday Mass - This Sunday 25th September, the family Sunday Mass in church has changed times from 9:30am to 10:00am. This is because of Father Joe leaving St Gerard's. During Mass modern hymns will be sung and there will still be the Children's Liturgy, where the children go out for their own readings and activities during the first half of the service. There will be drinks and biscuits for all at the end, everyone is welcome. Please come along and join us.

Community Larder – We have been informed that Brownedge Christians Together Food Bank has now closed after serving the community for 9 years! It has been replaced by the opening of a Community Larder. The Community Larder is situated at the back of St Aidan's Church Hall, on Station Road and provides food and support to individuals and families from Bamber Bridge, Clayton -le-Woods, Lostock Hall and Walton-le-Dale.



The Community Larder is open Monday – Friday 9:30am – 11:30am and is dependent upon the continuing food donations from the local Christian communities and schools. For more information please contact <u>foodbankbct@gmail.com</u>. Please continue with your support and thank you to everyone for your donations.

Pre-loved Uniform – We have lots of good quality uniform which has been donated to school. Please contact school if you are interested in taking some.



Big Summer Survey - This month the Children's Commissioner for England launched <u>The Big Summer Survey</u>, a national conversation with children in England about their experiences over the summer holidays. She would like every child in England to have the opportunity to take part.

The Big Summer Survey forms part of an Independent Review into family life which will inform the Government about the best ways to support families across the country, including what role schools can play.

Over three thousand children in England have made their voices heard so far. The survey is accessible, takes less than 10 minutes and is a great activity for children aged 7-17 to do in school as part of wider discussions about time with family and the summer holidays. **The Big Summer Survey** will close on 21st October.

Open Days – We will be having two Open Days for prospective parents on Tuesday 18^{th} October and Thursday 10^{th} November 9:30 - 10:30 am, 1:30 - 2:30 pm and 3:30 - 5:30 pm. If you are new to the school, please come along and view our wonderful school for yourself.