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BENEDICT
OF NURSIA



St . Benedict

Learning objective:

- To be familiar with the importance of St. Benedict, the patron saint of our school.

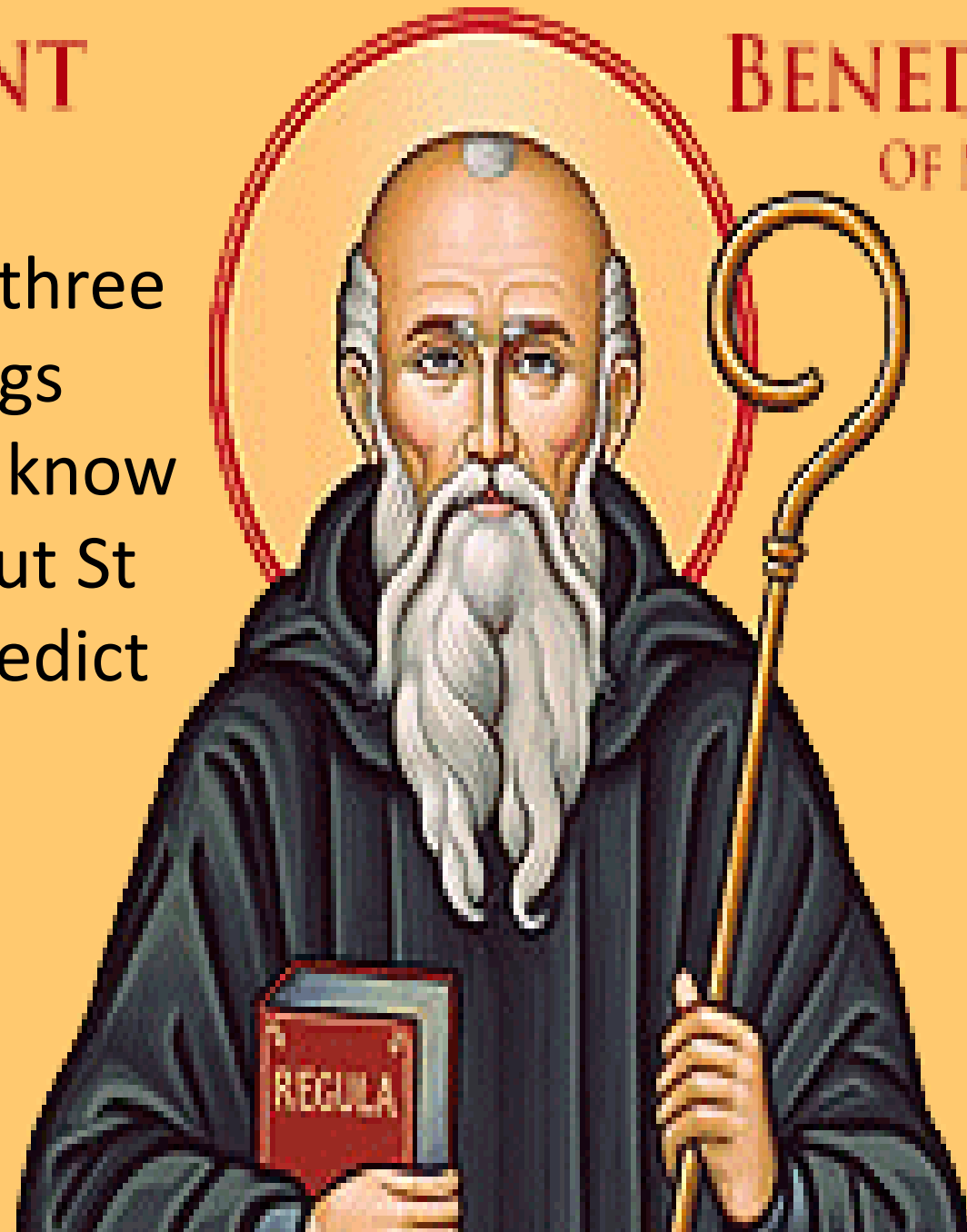


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Say three
things
you know
about St
Benedict

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Task:

Look at the mind map.

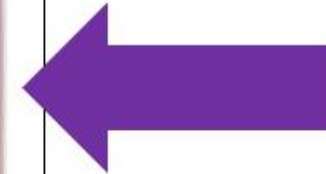
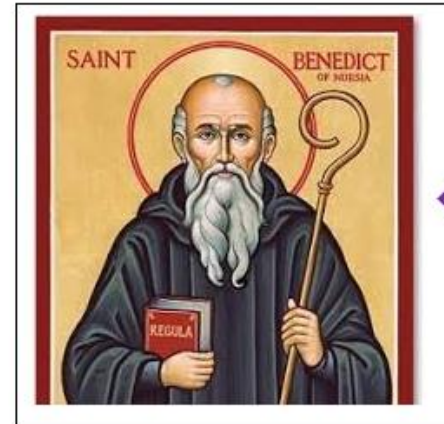
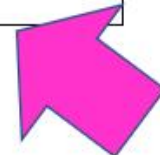
Write down 3 sentences about St Benedict using the mind map to help you.



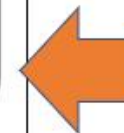
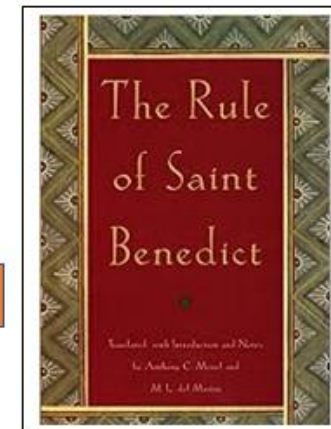
St. Benedict was born in Nursia in Italy in the year 480 AD. He was the son of a nobleman and as sent away to school in Rome.



St. Benedict founded the famous monastery at Monte Cassino in Italy. He died here in 543. St. Benedict is the patron saint of Europe and students. St. Benedict's feast day is 11th July.



St. Benedict founded monasteries throughout Italy. He introduced the Rule of St. Benedict for all monks to follow.



Who was Saint Benedict?

St. Benedict was born at Nursia in Umbria, Italy in the 5th century. Coming from a rich Italian family, his life was full of adventure and wonderful events. As a boy, he was sent to Rome to study in the public schools but was troubled by the bad behaviour of the other students.

Benedict left the city and went looking for a place where he could be alone with God. He found the right spot. It was a cave in the mountain of Subiaco. Benedict spent three years there alone.

After three years, people started coming to Benedict. They wanted to learn how to become holy. He became the leader of some men who asked for his help. He became the Abbot of their monastery.

Later, Benedict became the leader of many good monks. He started twelve monasteries. Then he went to Monte Casino where he built his most well-known monastery. It was here that St. Benedict wrote the wonderful rules for the Benedictine order.

Task

Read through the text of St. Benedict and with your pen highlight the *SIX* important parts of St. Benedict's life.

Choice of task:

1. Create a storyboard on the six important parts of St. Benedict's life.

or

1. Create a fact file to help others learn about who St Benedict was.