Benwick Primary School



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Benwick Briefing 31/01/2025

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Message from Mrs Talbot

We've had a busy week in school; we recorded a record-breaking fire drill with everyone recorded as present in just 2 minutes 21 seconds! Everyone was calm and sensible, well done children, it's such an important thing to practise! A team of Dodgeballers represented our school at a festival at Sir Harry Smith School in Whittlesey, we were very proud of their excellent attitude and resilience! We are developing our own Eco team in school, more about this to follow in due course.

Asking the children about their highlights of the week is fast becoming one of my favourite weekly tasks, here's what they said this week:

Robins - Chinese new year, tasting Chinese foods, saying 'ni hao' to answer the register

Doves - Practical addition/subtraction in maths, learning about Kenya and the creation story in RE **Owls** - Starting their new book, 'The boy at the back of the classroom', rolling in gymnastics, adding switches to electrical circuits in science

Swans - Writing their own version of 'The boy who cried wolf', Single point perspective art work and handball in PE

Class of the week: Well done to Owls who have been working their socks of this week!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Talbot - Headteacher

Valentines Dress Down Day and Cake Sale

On Friday 14th February we will be having a dress down day. The children are invited to wear something red, pink, something with hearts or flowers on all for a £1 donation. Buckets will be on the gates on Friday morning.

Also, we will be having a cake sale at breaktime. The cakes are 50p each and all children will have the opportunity to purchase 1 cake. All the cakes have been made by our talented baking staff.

Education Inclusion Family Advisor

Please find attached the February newsletter from the EIFA team.

Cambridgeshire Holiday Voucher Scheme (CHVS)

The CHVS will be running again for February half term for children who receive benefit related free school meals. All the details and FAQ are attached. If your child does not receive free school meals but you think they be entitled please apply here: https://cambridgeshire-self.achieveservice.com/service/Apply_for_Education_Welfare_Benefits

School Lunches

Don't forget to book next week's school lunches for your child.

Kind Regards

Mrs Rachael Barton School Secretary

Important Dates:

Monday 10th February Owls Share & Shine 2.45pm

Tuesday 11th February Swans Share & Shine 2.45pm

Wednesday 12th February Robins Share & Shine 2.45pm

Thursday 13th February Doves Share & Shine 2.45pm.

Friday 14th February Valentine's Dress Down- Wear red, pink, hearts

Friday 14th February Valentine's Cake Sale

Monday 17th- Friday 21st February 2025 Half Term

Thursday 6th March World Book Day

Friday 7th March FOBS Neon Disco

Thursday 20th March 2025 YR & YR6 National child measurement programme

Friday 21st March Comic Relief

Monday 24th March Parents Meetings 3.30pm-6pm

Monday 31st March Parents Meetings 3.30pm-6pm

Friday 4th April 2025 INSET DAY- No children in school

Monday 7th- Monday- Monday 21st April 2025 Easter Holidays

Tuesday 29th April 2025 Bikeability Level 1

Monday 5th May 2025 Bank Holiday

Monday 12th May- Thursday 15th May YR6 SATs

Friday 23rd May Sports Day TBC

Monday 26th- Friday 30th May 2025 Half Term

Monday 2nd June 2025 INSET DAY- No children in school

Wednesday 23rd July 2025 INSET DAY- No children in school

Thursday 24th July- Friday 29th August 2025 Summer Holidays