Benwick Primary School



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Benwick Briefing 23/10/2025

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Message from Mrs Talbot:

That's the first half term of the year completed! It's been a long one-8 weeks and the children are in need of a good rest!

Thank you to everyone who came to meet with teachers on Tuesday and Wednesday, it is so valuable to meet with you in person to discuss your children's successes and next steps.

Class of the week: All classes - we are proud of every single one of our children for their hard work and positive attitudes this term, so they all deserve the reward!

Have a lovely half-term,

Best wishes - Mrs Talbot

Christmas Designs

Thank you to everyone who has ordered so far. You have until midday tomorrow, Friday 24th October to order. After this the Christmas shop will be closed.

Poppy Appeal

We have poppies in school which will be available for sale when we return to school on Monday 3rd November. We suggest a minimum donation of the following items:

Wristband/Snap band- £1 Poppy Keyrings- £1 Material bracelets- £1

Pin badges- £1

Traditional poppies- 50p

Our Swan's class will be leading a remembrance assembly on Tuesday 11th November at 10.45am. If you would like to attend, please complete the form here: https://forms.office.com/e/y5NqvPXqSL by midday on Monday 10th November. On this occasion, please do not bring younger children.

No scooters or bikes on the car park

Please do not bring any bike bikes or scooters, both adults and children's onto the car park. We have had a staff members car damaged this week and we want to prevent this going forwards. Thank you.

Parking outside Boon's yard

Please could people not park, or drive on, the grass opposite Cambridge Row? Rob Boon has very kindly put gravel down and filled in the pot holes so more people can park on the gravelled area, however the grass must be kept clear at all times as access is required for Boon's yard. Thank you.

Halloween Activities at local libraries

Whittlesey and Wisbech libraries are hosting Halloween activities over half term with spooky crafts and a free tasty treat and drink. Posters attached for more information.

Education Inclusion Family Advisor

Our EIFA Christylee will be with us for a coffee morning in the Rainbow room (in the village hall) on Thursday 27th November from 9am-11am. This will be an informal session offering parents a welcoming space to share any concerns, ask questions, and explore the types of support available. Please do come and meet Christylee. Dates for the November and December EIFA workshops are also attached.

School Lunches

We have a new menu starting after half term. We have retained some of the children's favourites including the Benwick Brunch and sausage and mash, but we've got new options too including chilli. Please do share the menu with the children and order their favourites together.

We also have a firework Spectacular menu on Wednesday 5th November. Beef burgers, rice and a rocket lollv.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind Regards Mrs Rachael Barton School Secretary

Important Dates:

Friday 24th October INSET DAY- No children in school

Monday 27th October- Friday 31st October Half Term

Friday 31st October YR6 Secondary School Application Deadline

Monday 3rd November Bikeability Level 2- Swans class

Monday 10th November Odd Sock Day

Tuesday 11th November Remembrance Assembly 10.45am

Friday 14th November Children in Need

Thursday 27th November EIFA Coffee & Cake 9am-11am.

Monday 22nd December 2025- Friday 2nd January 2026 Christmas Holidays

Monday 5th January 2026 INSET DAY- No children in school

Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February Half Term

Wednesday 4th- Friday 6th March Grafham Water Residential- Swans Class

Tuesday 10th March YR & YR6 National Child Measurement

Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April Easter Holidays

Friday 17th April Bikeability Level 1- Owls Class

Monday 4th May Bank Holiday

Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May Half Term

Monday 20th July INSET DAY- No children in school

Tuesday 21st July to Monday 31st August 2026 Summer Holidays