



Benwick Primary School

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Dear Parents & Carers,

My goodness, it's been a challenging couple of weeks in school as we have had our highest covid numbers; at one point we had 32% of children off, and some staff, which has made things very difficult indeed! I am so proud of all of our staff who have covered one another and have been really flexible meaning we have not had to close any classes. The children have also shown great resilience and patience as their routines and adults have had to change. Well done to all those who have engaged with the home learning, that teachers have uploaded daily to the website, to make sure they've not been left behind! We wish our families still grappling with Covid at home, a swift recovery!

Supervision of younger siblings:

We love having younger siblings visit us in the mornings and afternoon as it helps them become familiar with us for when it's their turn to start school. However, please could I ask that you closely supervise your children and do not allow them to ride their bikes or scooters around the playground as the school age children are not allowed to do this for safety reasons. Thank you!

Parents evenings:

Our parents' consultation appointments will be held in the first week following the Easter Holidays. We plan to offer one afternoon of face-to-face appointments and one afternoon of virtual appointments, as the feedback regarding the virtual appointments has been very positive. Booking will open in the last week of term, so look out for an email with the details next week.

Gate access to school:

There is currently a loose drain cover in front of our usual access gates, whilst we wait for it to be repaired the main gates from the carpark will be used. Please avoid arriving too early so that the areas where staff park their cars does not get congested, and ensure all bikes and scooters are pushed through the carpark to keep everyone safe. Thank you.

Please do follow us on Facebook, a lot of our photos and news is posted here regularly:

<https://www.facebook.com/BenwickPrimarySchool>

Have a lovely weekend,

Best wishes - **Mrs Clare Talbot – Headteacher**



Friday 1 st April	School closes at 3.10pm Easter Holidays
Mon 4 th April-Mon 18 th April	Easter Holidays
Tuesday 19 th April	INSET Day – school closed to pupils
Wednesday 20 th April	School opens for Summer Term
20th & 21st April	Parents' Evenings – revised dates
Monday 9 th May	Y6 KS2 SATS week begins
Thursday 26 th May	School Jubilee Celebrations - school closes at 3.10pm for Half-Term
Friday 27 th May	Additional day of holiday in lieu of Jubilee
Monday 30 th May-Friday 3 rd June	HALF-TERM Holiday
Wednesday 20 th July	Last day of Term – school closes at 3.10pm for SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Together We Can: Staff-Pupils-Family