# **Benwick Primary School**



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# Benwick Briefing 07/02/2025

Dear Parents/ Carers,

# **Message from Mrs Talbot**

We have a new Eco Team and the children are really keen to get started, one of our youngest children has even been litter picking in the village after school with grandparents - well done! One of our initiatives is to develop biodiversity in the school grounds and children are loving birdwatching. Its amazing how quickly our bird feeders have attracted a wide range of birdlife, however we are getting through seed and fat balls rapidly, if anyone is able to donate some to us the children (and local birds) would be very grateful! We will be sharing more of our Eco Team activities with you in the coming weeks.....

Class of the week: Robins class have been really impressing me with their handwriting and their 3D shape work and so they are this week's winners!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Talbot - Headteacher

#### Parking on the zig zags

We are getting a number of people parking on the yellow zigzags outside of school again. These zigzags are there for the children's safety and it is an offence to park on them. Please make sure you leave yourself plenty of time to find a suitable parking space or an appropriate drop off point. Thank you for your support.

#### Share & Shine

Our Share and Shine's start this coming week, please look out for your child's class days below. The children really love when you can attend these so they can share with you their work and learning so far. If you can join us, please do.

# Valentines Dress Down Day and Cake Sale

Don't forget Friday 14th February is our Valentine's dress down day. The children are invited to wear something red, pink, with hearts or flowers on all for a £1 donation. Please no football kits, crop tops or sandals. Thank you.

Also, we will be having a cake sale at breaktime and children will be allowed to eat the cake at break. The cakes are 50p each.

#### **FOBS Neon Disco**

The FOBS Neon disco is being held on Friday 7th March. Disco forms will be coming home early next week if your child would like to attend.

Our FOBS team will very sadly be 'retiring' at the end of this year after many years but they would really like people to start joining them in the next few months to make sure there is a smooth handover when

the time comes. Please do speak to the ladies if you can help, FOBS really do raise essential funds for the school for those 'extras' that budgets do not allow for.

### **Children's Mental Health Week**

This week is Children's Mental Health week by Place2be.

Having positive mental health is so important in all aspects of life: home, school and work. This year's theme is 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself' and focuses on emotions and how multiple feelings can be felt at once. We have had an assembly to start the week, which linked to the movie Inside Out 2 and pupils have completed activities in their classes. The handout attached provides helpful tips for parents and families around mental health.

More information and actives can be found on the place2be website.

Mrs Nicholson-Smith Senco

#### **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
Friday 25th 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
Thursday 26th June	YR6 Abbey Transition Day
Friday 27th June	YR6 Abbey Transition Day
Wednesday 2nd July 2025	YR6 Cromwell Transition Day
Tuesday 8th July	YR6 Cromwell Transition Day
Thursday 10th July	YR6 Cromwell Transition Day
Wednesday 23rd July 2025	INSET DAY- No children in school
Thursday 24th July- Friday 29th August 2025	Summer Holidays