

Benwick Primary School



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Benwick Briefing 04/07/2025

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Message from Mrs Talbot:

We were delighted to welcome professional classical singer Carolyn Sampson to our school on Monday. Mrs Clutton led an assembly linked to music and we enjoyed performances on the piano by two of our talented Owls musicians Eva and Imogen. Carolyn performed a beautiful solo for us, accompanying herself on our school piano and then Mrs Clutton joined her for a duet. It was a wonderful experience for all!

We know the weather has been really hot of late, however we do respectfully ask that all visitors to our playground dress appropriately please, this includes the wearing of tops. Many thanks.

Class of the week: Robins, for welcoming the new Reception children into their classroom on transition days and sharing their resources nicely.

Have a great weekend,

Best wishes,
Mrs Talbot - Headteacher

New Building Name Competition

Thank you for all the amazing entries for the competition to name the new building. After lots of discussion, the school council voted on the winning name which was announced in assembly this afternoon. The new building will be known as 'The Benwick Barn' and this winning idea came from James in Owls. We hope to hold a naming ceremony before the end of term.

Ms Millican & School council

Bikes and Scooters

Children are not permitted to ride their bikes and scooters on the playground or down the pathway at the side of the village hall, for the safety of everyone. please support us by ensuring your children do not do this at the start and end of the day. There are a few children acting unsafely by riding bikes and scooters in our school carpark, Please do supervise closely to ensure this does not happen. Many thanks for your help in keeping everyone safe.

World Chocolate Day

Monday 7th July is World Chocolate Day. The children will be having a special assembly all about the origins of chocolate, both geographically and historically. As a treat there will be chocolate milk and a chocolate chip cookie on Monday breaktime for children to purchase for £1. One glass of chocolate milk and cookie per child and they will be allowed to eat this as their breaktime snack.

Benwick Book Look

Monday 7th July is also our Beautiful Benwick Book Look. Parents/ Carers are welcome to visit your child's class from 2.45pm to look at the work the children have completed this year. Do join us if you can.

Tesco Blue Tokens

We are pleased to say that Benwick School is now at Chatteris Tesco taking part in the Community Grant scheme, the blue tokens you get at the tills. This time we are raising funds for our Panto trip which is likely to cost us in excess of £2500. If you go to Tesco please do vote for us and encourage your family and friends to support us too.

Wheelie Good Fundraising!

Thank you to those of you who have already sponsored Mrs Hill. She will be cycling 1000 miles in 80 days. Last weekend she cycled from Ely to Hunstanton then back to Kings Lynn where she had a well deserved rest and got the train back to Ely. So far she has completed 402 of her 1000 miles. Keep peddling Mrs Hill. If you would like to sponsor her, details of her just giving page are here, all money is going directly to school.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/benwickcycle?utm_medium=CR&utm_source=CL

Education Inclusion Family Advisor

Please find attached the EIFA newsletter for July, also details of their summer workshops and drop- in clinics.

Summer Reading Challenge 2025

The Cambridgeshire Libraries Summer Reading Challenge starts this weekend. Sign up for free at your library from Saturday 5th July and complete the Summer Reading Challenge. This year's theme is 'Story Garden' where children can discover amazing books and activities exploring the magical connection between stories and nature. Children who complete the challenge will receive their very own Story Garden Medal and Certificate.

Road Safety Education Newsletter

Please find attached this terms newsletter from the Way2go Cambridgeshire road safety team.

School Lunches

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

Enjoy your weekend.

Kind Regards
Mrs Rachael Barton
School Secretary

Important Dates:

Monday 7th July	World Chocolate Day
Monday 7th July	Benwick Book Look 2.45-3.10
Tuesday 8th July	YR6 Cromwell Transition Day
Tuesday 8th July	YR6 Sir Harry Smith Transition Day
Wednesday 9th July	YR6 Sir Harry Smith Transition Day
Thursday 10th July	YR6 Cromwell Transition Day
Friday 11th July	Benwick Big Picnic
Tuesday 15th July	KS2 Summer show 2.15pm
Friday 18th July	End of year Disco 5.30pm-7pm
Monday 21st July	Leavers Assembly 2.15pm
Wednesday 23rd July 2025	INSET DAY- No children in school

Thursday 24th July- Friday 29th August 2025	Summer Holidays
Monday 1st September 2025	INSET DAY- No children in school
Tuesday 2nd September	INSET DAY- No children in school
Wednesday 3rd September	Term Starts
Thursday 11th & Friday 12th September	Life Bus
Friday 19th September	Flu Vaccinations
Monday 22nd September	School Photos
Wednesday 1st October	Balance Bikeability- Robins class
Monday 13th-17th October	Cycle to school week
Friday 24th October	INSET DAY- No children in school
Monday 27th October- Friday 31st October	Half Term
Monday 3rd November	Bikeability Level 2- Swans class
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
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