

Benwick Primary School



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Benwick Briefing 21/06/2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Message from Mrs Talbot:

The children have really enjoyed being outside this week - finally some summer! Well done to all our Year 1 and Year 4 pupils, their phonics and multiplication checks are all now complete, results for these will be sent out with end of year reports towards the end of term.

New Reception Parents Evening:

It was lovely to welcome all our new Reception families to a meeting on Tuesday evening. The slides for the meeting have been emailed out and are on the Robins page of our website.

Building progress:

Viewing windows were installed in the screening this week, so that the children can see what's going on behind the fences. On Monday the 'haul road' will be dug out, providing a heavy duty road from the field gate to the building site ready for heavy vehicles to access the site. Most of the work that will be undertaken before the summer holidays will not be very visible, the rapid progress on the building structure will happen in the holidays.

Speed Kick Challenge - sponsorship

The children had an amazing time participating in the speed kick challenge on Monday. They were all so supportive of one another, cheering each on! It's incredible how fast some of the children can make a football travel, with some children kicking the ball in excess of 40mph!

The deadline for the sponsorship money is Wednesday, however we are happy to collect it in ASAP. It looks like lots of children will be coming home with water bottles, sports bags and footballs for achieving the different sponsorship milestones - well done everyone.

Teachers & Classes for next Year:

The teaching structure for next year remains largely unchanged, with the exception that all of Year 1&2 children will be in Doves class as Robins will be Reception only, due to a larger intake in September.

Robins: Reception - Mrs Edmond

Doves: Year 1&2 - Miss Wakefield

Owls: Year 3&4 - Mrs Clutton

Swans: Year 5&6 - Ms Millican

Mrs Nicholson-Smith will cover classes for Leadership and Mrs Hay will cover classes for PPA

Our move-up morning, when children spend time in their new class groupings with their teacher for next year, will be on Wednesday 3rd July.

Have a lovely weekend,

Best wishes,

Mrs Talbot - Headteacher

Free School Meals

Children in Reception, Yr1 and Yr2 all receive universal free school meals. If however you receive any of the following benefits your child may also be entitled to benefit related free school meals.

The economic criteria are:

- * Income Support
- * Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- * Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- * Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- * The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- * Child Tax Credit (unless you're also entitled to Working Tax Credit, and earn no more than £16,190)
- * Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop receiving Working Tax Credit)
- * Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400)

Even if you do not think you would qualify at this point, once you have completed the form, the free school meal team will be able to continue to check eligibility throughout your child's school years using the ECS checking system. You will be notified if you become eligible in the future.

To apply online please go to: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeal

KS2 End of Year Performance

This year the children will be presenting a medley of songs and poems. This will be on Monday 15th July at 2.15pm.

School Lunches

We are pleased to advise that from Monday we will also be offering a 'Grab & Go' picnic option for children at lunch. These are now available on the Aspen's Select system for you to order, just amend their current order and select the picnic option instead.

Sun hats, water bottles & sun cream!

Summer has finally arrived and we will be making the most of it so please make sure children have a sun hat with them each day and a water bottle. Please apply sun cream to your child before they come to school and if they need to re-apply during the day they can but please be aware children have to do this themselves. Most importantly please make sure everything is NAMED!

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind Regards

Mrs Rachael Barton
School Secretary

Important Dates:

Monday 24th June	EIFA Drop-in 8.30am onwards
Thursday 27th June	YR6 Abbey Transition Day
Friday 28th June	YR6 Abbey Transition Day
Wednesday 3rd July	YR6 Cromwell Transition Day
Tuesday 9th July	YR6 Cromwell Transition Day
Thursday 11th July	YR6 Cromwell Transition Day
Friday 12th July	FOBS Leavers Disco (All children welcome)
Monday 15th	KS2 Performance 2.15pm
Thursday 18th July	YR6 Leavers Assembly 2.30pm

Monday 22nd July INSET DAY- No children in school

Tuesday 23rd July- Friday 30th August Summer Holidays

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2024-25 School Year

Tuesday 3rd September INSET DAY- No children in school

Wednesday 4th September Term Starts

Monday 23rd September School Photo's

Friday 27th September Flu Vaccinations

Monday 14th October- Friday 18th October Bikeability Level 2

Wednesday 18th December Whole School Panto Trip

Monday 28th Oct- Friday 1st Nov Half Term

Monday 23rd December- Monday 6th January Christmas Holidays

Monday 6th January 2025 INSET DAY- No children in school

Monday 17th- Friday 21st February 2025 Half Term

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

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