

# Benwick Primary School



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## Benwick Briefing 14/02/2025

Dear Parents/ Carers,

### Message from Mrs Talbot

It's been a wonderful half-term and 6 weeks have zipped past!

Valentine's day fund raiser - huge thanks to the staff who made delicious cakes, we raised £155.70 with non-uniform and cakes which will go towards our panto fund!

Share & Shine: It has been wonderful to see so many of you joining us to share in your children's learning and achievements, the children and staff really enjoy these opportunities and we received such lovely feedback. This week we had 134 visitors to classrooms, what a great turnout - thank you! It was also a great opportunity to show off our new KS2 classrooms which were very well received!

A team from Owls class visited Sir Harry Smith School this week and completed in a number of different events, they were complimented on their excellent sporting attitudes and were delighted with their medals and certificates - well done!

Highlights of the week:

Robins: Have enjoyed 'Goldilocks and the 3 bears' and making porridge that was 'just right!

Doves: Enjoyed making a variety of home-made crisps from pitta breads and learning actions to their songs in music

Owls: Have enjoyed learning about China and tasting Chinese food

Swans: Are still loving their 'Skelling' guided reading and linked art work

Class of the week: Swans have it again – well done, a superb week for everyone!

Have a lovely half-term break!

*Mrs Talbot - Headteacher*

### Safer Internet Day

This week we have been celebrating the internet and technology as well as learning how to keep ourselves safe online as part of Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February. As this year's theme is 'Too good to be true? Keeping ourselves and others safe online,' the children had an assembly on Monday to learn about recognising a scam and what they can do to stay safe. Here is a useful link for tips and other information about keeping your family safe online. [Tips for Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Ms Millican  
Deputy Headteacher

### World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 6th March, children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. If you would like some inspiration for some low-cost costume ideas, please visit

the World book day website here: <https://www.worldbookday.com/celebrate-world-book-day/dressing-up/>

### **Planned Road Closure**

Cambridgeshire County Council have contacted us regarding a road closure to facilitate a footway widening and resurfacing along Benwick Road, Doddington. The road will be closed at Askham Row in Doddington from 24th February- 19th March between 7.30am-16.00pm. Attached is the information we have received. Please bear this in mind if you are travelling from this direction each day.

### **Education Inclusion Family Advisor**

Attached are the online workshops available from the EIFA team. Most of the courses are about an hour and can be so useful for you and your child. Do book onto one if you'd like some assistance or just some more information. They cover a range of topics from angry children, sibling rivalry, children's sleep issues and online safety.

### **FOBS Neon Disco**

Don't forget disco forms need to be handed in by Tuesday 4th March.

### **School Lunches**

We like to get feedback from all the children regarding the school lunches that are prepared daily here by our wonderful Aspen's catering team and we present this feedback to Aspen's. This time we asked each class to provide us with a menu for the day which included a main meal, a vegetarian option and a pudding. Lots of thought went into this and I am pleased to say that each month we are going to have a class menu. First up is our Robin's class, their menu is going to be on Thursday 27th February. They are a pasta loving class, so of course we've made sure that's available, but they have also chosen beef burgers or veggie burgers with chips, sweetcorn and ice cream with sauce. The full menu is attached and of course you can order online in the usual way. Well done to all the classes, there are some great options coming up, look out for them.

Kind Regards

Mrs Rachael Barton  
School Secretary

### **Important Dates:**

Monday 17th- Friday 21st February 2025	Half Term
Thursday 6th March	World Book Day
Friday 7th March	FOBS Neon Disco
Monday 17th March	YR1 & YR2 Literacy Festival
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