

Benwick Primary School



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Benwick Briefing 06/06/2025

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Message from Mrs Talbot:

We've had a super first week back, despite the showers! Children across KS2 have had opportunities to engage in author workshops, Year 2 have been to a local skills escalator to experience 'hands on' some different careers, Year 1 have been making bug hotels and Reception have loved learning about the different continents of the world in readiness for some exciting new learning coming next week!

Class of the week: Doves - fantastic attitudes to learning and brilliant behaviour!

Have a great weekend,

Best wishes,

Mrs Talbot - Headteacher

Walk to School Week 9th-13th June

To launch Walk to School week the Junior Travel Ambassadors are running a 'shoe' colouring competition'. We have 2 'Get Active' goodie bags to give away for the best design, with runner up prizes. Template attached or create your own design.

We will also be running our reward system again for walking to school - collect a sticker each day, 5 stickers = Road safety Mascot. The JTAs will be on hand during lunchtime to fill out pupils' stickers charts.

Alongside the fun, we are asking pupils to wear their favourite 'sensible' shoes on Friday 13th June for 'Happy Shoe Day' and donate £1 to our school trips/Panto fund. No flip flops, heels or open toe/back shoes please.

We would like to encourage everyone to take part no child will miss out if they park and stride!

Tips and hints to get more active! Why not take part in the try20. <https://www.livingstreets.org.uk/get-involved/national-walking-month/try20-tips/>

School Council

Last half term the school council wrote to local garden centres to ask for plant donations. We were very excited to receive a response from Delfland Nurseries in Doddington who have very kindly donated many summer bedding plants as well as vegetable plugs. The children have already started to plant them this week, and we are very grateful to Delfland Nurseries for their generosity.

Ms Millican & School council

Year 2 Skills Escalator

On Tuesday, Year 2 children took part in the Chatteris Escalator Skills Morning. They carried out workshops held by a variety of local organisations, such as HSBC, Royal Air Force and Metalcraft. The highlight of the morning included children having the opportunity to sit in the back of a police van and experience climbing into the cab of a digger. They all had a wonderful time!

Miss Wakefield

Premier Sports After School Club

Premier sports clubs start again next week. they are continuing to offer Cricket/Rounders on a Wednesday and Football on Thursday. If your child would like to attend you can book here: [https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/8566/?location=PE15%200XA&distance=0.2&distance=0.2&type\[\]=ExC](https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/8566/?location=PE15%200XA&distance=0.2&distance=0.2&type[]=ExC)

Keeping In Touch survey:

Before half term we asked you opinion on how we share information with you. There is still time to complete the survey here: <https://forms.office.com/e/EK8tMEkxZ6>

Education Inclusion Family Advisor

We are pleased to advise that Christylee O'Grady will be returning to her post as our EIFA. Christylee will start seeing parent shortly. In the meantime please find attached the June EIFA newsletter and offerings from the EIFA team. We look forward to seeing Christylee back in school soon.

Summer Reading Challenge 2025

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

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:

Tuesday 17th June	New Reception 2025 Parent Meeting 5.30pm
Thursday 26th June	YR6 Abbey Transition Day
Friday 27th June	YR6 Abbey Transition Day
Wednesday 2nd July 2025	YR6 Cromwell Transition Day
Monday 7th July	Benwick Book Look 2.15-3.10
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 18th July	Leavers Disco (All school invited)
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
Friday 24th October	INSET DAY- No children in school
Monday 27th October- Friday 31st October	Half Term
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
Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May	Half Term
Monday 20th July	INSET DAY- No children in school
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