Benwick Primary School



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Benwick Briefing 11/07/2025

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Message from Mrs Talbot:

The children really enjoyed World Chocolate Day with their homemade cookies and chocolate milk at breaktime, we raised £96, thank you. Also huge thanks to Mrs Barton who made all the cookies, they were very popular! We have done quite a bit of fundraising recently, where we have asked for a pound here and there. Thank you for supporting this as every pound counts. Our aim is that we are able to fully cover the cost of the summer picnic to Ferry Meadows and the Christmas Panto every year, with the help of FOBS and Mrs Hill's fundraising bike rides. If we didn't fundraise, the cost of the panto per child would be $\pounds 27$, and we know this is just too much for many. We will keep going with small fundraising opportunities so that our children can enjoy these amazing opportunities.

The children 'moved up' for their transition afternoon on Tuesday and everyone tried out their new year group/classrooms. This really helps the children to begin processing change and ease any worries ahead of September, its always good fun too.

Thank you to everyone who came to our Book Look on Monday, the children really love to share their learning with you and you will be able to see how far they've come just by looking at the books.

A huge thanks to staff for our Ferry Meadows trip, a day out is always great fun for the children but is a lot of extra work for staff.

End of year reports will be emailed to you following this email. If your child has statutory assessment results to report such as: EYFS profile, Phonics check, Multiplication check and Year 6 SATs results, these will be attached also. So that we do not crash our system, emails are scheduled to go out in 15 minute intervals, therefore if you have more than one child with us, the email may arrive at separate times.

Have a great weekend,

Best wishes, Mrs Talbot - Headteacher

Diary Dates

Lots of new diary dates have been added, ready for next year. Please do keep checking these, for ease we do try to put new ones in purple.

Cambridgeshire Holiday Voucher Scheme

The Cambridgeshire Holiday Voucher Scheme will be running again during the summer holidays for children who receive benefit related free school meals. All the details are attached. If your child does not receive benefit related free school meals but you think you may qualify, please apply here. Even if you are not eligible now, if you become eligible in the future the team will be able to process your application. https://cambridgeshire-

self.achieveservice.com/service/Apply_for_Education_Welfare_Benefits

Tesco Blue Tokens

The Tesco Blue token voting has started and we are off to a steady start. We've got until the end of September so please do tell all your family and friends to vote for us if they are shopping in Chatteris Tesco, and don't forget to send your pictures of the children voting into school!

Wheelie Good Fundraising!

The fundraising is flying in, thank you to everyone who has donated. Please do let friends and families know and any business who may wish to donate too. Mrs Hill continues her cycling challenge. Last weekend she cycled to Cambridge and cycled around Cambridge before heading home again. Of course, no cycling trip is complete without refuelling and there was some delicious coffee and cake and watching people punting down the river. Mrs Hill is now just over half way, having cycled 502 miles. If you would like to sponsor Mrs Hill, 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 information for supporting parent's well-being.

Summer Reading Challenge 2025

The Cambridgeshire Libraries Summer Reading Challenge has started. Have you already registered? 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.

School Lunches

It's the last couple of weeks, don't forget to order up to the end of term.

Enjoy your weekend.

Kind Regards Mrs Rachael Barton School Secretary

Important Dates:

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
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