Benwick Primary School



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Benwick Briefing 04/10/2024

Dear Parents/ Carers

Message from Mrs Talbot:

It's definitely been a week of two halves this week with torrential rain at the beginning and sunshine at the end. Whilst the children quite enjoy some wet playtimes games when we can't get outside, they have certainly been pleased to get outside in the sunshine again.

We have begun our Month of assemblies with 'Black History Month' as the focus, this year the National theme is 'Reclaiming Narratives'. I told the children the story of nurse Alison Bennison, part of the Windrush generation, who travelled from Barbados in 1960, aged just 19, and worked all her adult life in the NHS.

Class highlights: This week Robins have had a 'carrot' theme with their focus text 'Too Many Carrots', they peeled their own carrots and made soup as well as carrot muffins, which has all tied in nicely with National Carrot day which was on Thursday. Doves have been working hard partitioning two digit numbers in maths, Owls enjoyed a visit from Cannon Revely, from Ely Cathedral, who came to talk about the differences between Cathedrals and Parish churches as well as what his job involves. Swans have been enjoying their science with a focus on light; and I am also very proud to say that they were commended on their excellent behaviour at the swimming pool by the lifeguard who said their behaviour each week is amazing!

We all enjoyed our 'Everyone eats free' day yesterday with staff eating with their classes in the canteen too. Children who don't normally have a school lunch really appeared to enjoy the food and there was a lovely atmosphere in the canteen.

This week our class of the week trophy has been awarded to Robins, they have demonstrated improved understanding of some of our school rules, such as walking in the corridor, and we are really proud of them.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Best Wishes, Mrs Talbot - Headteacher

School Photo's

Please don't forget school photo orders and money need to be back by Wednesday 9th October, that's next week! If you would like a whole school photo please do come into the office to order.

FOBS

FOBS are running their very popular plate competition but this time for Halloween. The plates and all the information about the competition will be coming home on Monday and all entries need to be returned by 23rd October. We can't wait to see your spooky designs.

Parents Meetings

These are being held on Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd October 2024 from 3.30pm-6pm. Booking will open on Saturday 12th October at 10am. More information, including how to book, will follow next week.

March Library

Please find attached the newsletter from March Library. It includes 'what's on' information for those starting to think about October half term.

School Lunches

We had a wonderful Big School lunch on Thursday this week where nearly every child in the school had a school dinner. Don't forget freshly cooked hot school dinners are available daily. The menu is on our website and it's really easy to order on the Aspen's Select system. If you need your log on details please do let me know.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind Regards Mrs Rachael Barton School Secretary

Important Dates:

Monday 14th October- Friday 18th October	Bikeability Level 2
Tuesday 15th October	Reception Vision Screening
Friday 18th October	KS1 Harvest Celebration & Share & Shine
Tuesday 22nd October 3.30pm-6pm	Parents Meetings
Wednesday 23rd October 3.30pm-6pm	Parents Meetings
Thursday 24th October	KS2 Botanic Gardens Visit
Monday 28th October- Friday 1st November	Half Term
Monday 11th November	Remembrance Assembly 10.45am- All Welcome
Friday 15th November	Children in Need
Tuesday 17th December 9.15am & 2.15pm	KS1 Nativity Performance
Wednesday 18th December	Whole School Panto Trip
Thursday 19th December	Christmas Dinner
Thursday 19th December	KS2 Christmas Carols
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