

# Benwick Primary School



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## Benwick Briefing 11/10/2024

Dear Parents/ Carers

### Message from Mrs Talbot:

It has been another busy week at school and we are now at the end of week 6.

This week in our values assembly, week 2 of Black History Month, Ms Millican talked to the children about author Christina Singler who decided to do something about the imbalance of black characters in British literature and wrote the book Princess Katrina and the Hair Charmer.

KS2 Quiz club and I have been having great fun learning a variety of general knowledge facts, some themes chosen by the children, and then quizzing in small teams. There are still a few places left on a Thursday after school for the last 2 weeks of term, letters can be obtained from the school office.

We still have lots to look forward to in the last two weeks before half-term, Bikeability next week for Years 5&6, Big Sing Workshop for KS2, Robins and Doves Share & Shine next Friday afternoon, Girls Football festival, Parents meetings, Botanical Gardens visit for all KS2 and an African Drumming workshops for all children - more details about these to follow!

This week's class cup has been awarded to Doves for setting a great example to the rest of the school when lining up and walking in and around the school.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Best Wishes,  
Mrs Talbot - Headteacher

### Parents Meetings

Parents meetings are being held on Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd October 2024 from 3.30pm-6pm. To book please go to the e-schools website or app and select the date and time you require. Booking opens on Saturday 12th October at 10am and will close on Friday 18th October. Appointments are available with class teachers and our SENDCO, if you have been advised your child is on our SEND register.

### FOBS

Halloween

The halloween plates came home earlier this week. All halloween plate designs have to be back to school by Wednesday 23rd October.

Christmas

The Christmas designs have come home today. Please return the order forms and payment to the school office by Friday 18th October.

### Junior Travel Ambassador Scheme

This week our newly chosen JTA's (Junior Travel Ambassadors) met with Maree Richards our County Cambridgeshire Country Council Road Safety Officer.

We are very lucky to have Hayden, Bethany, Maria, Paige and Layla as our year 5 JTA's. They are full of enthusiasm ready to organise fun activities throughout the year- promoting road safety and active travel.

Here at Benwick we would like to increase walking, scooting/cycling to school to help reduce traffic outside our school at drop-off and pick-up times.

Be Bright – Be Seen’ campaign will be launched soon ready for the clocks changing at the end of October so keep watching out for more information.

If you have a child in Reception please look out for the ‘Free’ activity booklet provided by Cambridgeshire County Council on how to keep your child safe while on your journey to school.

### **Flu Vaccination Catch-up Clinics**

Our flu immunisation clinic in school was very popular this year, thank you to all parents who complete the forms. If your child was poorly on the day and was not able to attend Vaccination UK are running catch up clinics over the half term holiday.

29th October- Cambridge- Trumpington Pavilion  
30th October- Huntingdon- The Coneygear Centre  
31st October- Peterborough- Gladstone Community Centre  
1st November- Wisbech- The Oasis Centre

To book please click here: [Vaccination UK East Anglia Immunisation \(schoolvaccination.uk\)](http://Vaccination UK East Anglia Immunisation (schoolvaccination.uk))

### **School Lunches**

Have you ordered lunches for next week?  
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
<b>Monday 28th October- Friday 1st November</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
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
Thursday 20th March 2025	YR & YR6 National child measurement programme
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