# **Benwick Primary School**



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# Benwick Briefing 28/06/2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### **Message from Mrs Talbot:**

We've had a brilliant week in school. I have to commend the children, they have all been fantastic in coping with their learning in the heat and have all been really super-sensible in seeking out the activities we have provided in shady areas at lunchtime.

Year 6 children have begun their transitions days, with Abbey College and Witchford taking place this week and Cromwell days starting next week.

On Thursday, we enjoyed an assembly from the local libraries to launch the summer reading challenge. There will be loads of FREE activities going on over the summer for the children, I will be sending more info about this out soon.

We are looking forward to our move-up Morning, next week on Wednesday, when children will spend the morning in the new class groups and new children joining us in September will also join us. This is always exciting but can be nerve-wracking too, staff are aware of this and will support any feelings of anxiety sensitively.

Have a lovely weekend,

Best wishes, Mrs Talbot - Headteacher

# **Jewellery**

With the arrival of the summer weather we have also seen lots of jewellery. Jewellery is not permitted in school with the exception of a watch (if the child is in YR2 or above) and a single pair of plain stud earrings, which children must be able to remove before PE. Please remind your child to remove their jewellery before they come to school.

Please make sure children have removed any nail varnish from the weekend, their hair is tied up if it is shoulder length or longer and they have no temporary tattoos. Thank you.

#### FOBS Leavers Disco

The disco forms came home earlier this week, the return deadline for these is Tuesday 9th July. The disco is for all Benwick Primary School children, older or younger siblings that are not at the school are not permitted to attend.

### **Cambridgeshire Holiday Voucher Scheme**

The local authority will once again be running a voucher scheme for the summer holidays for children who receive benefit related free school meals. If your child doesn't receive benefit related free school meals but you think they may be eligible please apply here: https://cambridgeshire-self.achieveservice.com/service/Apply\_for\_Education\_Welfare\_Benefits

Even if you are not eligible now, if you were to become eligible in the future the free school meal team will let you know. A letter and frequently asked questions are attached providing further information.

# **School Lunches**

We had a good start to the week with our 'Grab & Go' picnic option for children at lunch. These have been improving as the week has continued as the kitchen add more 'flair' to them. They are available to order along with all our other options on the Aspen's Select system.

#### **Unwanted books**

If your child has grown out of any good condition novels we will be happy to receive them for our classroom bookshelves.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind Regards

Mrs Rachael Barton School Secretary

# **Important Dates:**

Wednesday 3rd July YR6 Cromwell Transition Day

Tuesday 9th July YR6 Cromwell Transition Day

Thursday 11th July YR6 Cromwell Transition Day

Friday 12th July FOBS Leavers Disco (All children welcome)

Monday 15th KS2 Performance 2.15pm

Thursday 18th July YR6 Leavers Assembly 2.30pm

Monday 22nd July INSET DAY- No children in school

Tuesday 23rd July- Friday 30th August Summer Holidays

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2024-25 School Year

Tuesday 3rd September INSET DAY- No children in school

Wednesday 4th September Term Starts

Monday 23rd September School Photo's

Friday 27th September Flu Vaccinations

Monday 14th October- Friday 18th October Bikeability Level 2

Wednesday 18th December Whole School Panto Trip

Monday 28th Oct- Friday 1st Nov Half Term

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