Benwick Primary School



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Benwick Briefing 21/11/2025

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Message from Mrs Talbot:

It has been road safety week this week, and with our JTAs help, Dr Bike gave out free lights to everyone who brought their scooters and bikes to school. In addition, every single bike and scooter was given a health check and minor and major fixes were carried out to quite a few bikes. We have lots more events coming up with Dr Bike and we feel lucky to have all this free support for our children.

It's been maths week too, we've had an estimation challenge as well as optional homework challenges, every one handed in will receive a raffle ticket and prizes will be drawn on Monday in assembly.

Years 1-6 enjoyed a Parliament Week assembly from Kelly Stroud, UK Parliament's Education & Engagement Outreach Officer for the East of England. This covered; Democracy and the work of Parliament; the role of MPs and the House of Lords; how laws are made; the difference between Parliament and Government; how young people can get involved and have their voices heard. The children were really interested and asked some insightful questions.

Please remember to vote in the Parent Governor Election, the electronic ballot is still open. If you require a paper ballot form, these are available from the school office.

Class of the week: Owls - who have been really focused this week on behaviours for learning!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Talbot - Headteacher

Education Inclusion Family Advisor

Don't forget Thursday is the EIFA coffee and cake meeting between 9am-11am in the Rainbow room in the village hall. This will be an informal session offering parents a welcoming space to share any concerns, ask questions, and explore the types of support available. Please do come and meet Christylee. Access will be from our side entrance to the hall.

Information Consent

New legislation - Data Protection, Your Rights. We require consent to use your information to send out emails, texts and notifications regarding school communication. For this we use E-schools.

Please complete the consent form here by Friday 21st November: School Consent - Fill in form

If you do not provide consent, you may not receive certain essential communications. Always be assured that core educational update will still be provided through other means *if* necessary.

Please always ensure your email addresses are up-to-date. For more information please visit our Website https://www.benwick.cambs.sch.uk/gdpr

Christmas Designs

I am pleased to say the Christmas designs have arrived, for those who ordered items. Please come to the office by Wednesday to collect if any items are a surprise to your child, otherwise all items will go home with children next Thursday/Friday.

If you missed the original order deadline there is a second chance to purchase those personal Christmas gifts. The online shop is now open and will close again on the 1st December. Don't delay, order now. https://shop.classfundraising.co.uk/collections/christmas

Chroma Sport

Our uniform provider, Chroma Sport are holding a sale with 25% off in store stock bought between 24th November -23rd December. All the details attached. A great opportunity to purchase any uniform needed for after Christmas.

Road Safety

Please find attached the 'Way2go' newsletter from Cambridgeshire County Council's road safety team. Lots of advice on being seen with the darker mornings and evenings upon us.

School Lunches

That's all 3 weeks of our new menu now sampled. the children have told me their favourite meals this week have been the sausage rolls and roast Wednesday and the best pudding has definitely been the chocolate brownie (made with sweet potato). We've got lemon drizzle cake coming up next week made with potato, and it is fabulous, I've tried it! Get ordering for next week.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind Regards Mrs Rachael Barton School Secretary

Important Dates:

Thursday 27th November EIFA Coffee & Cake 9am-11am.

Tuesday 16th December KS1 Nativity Performances 9.15am & 2.15pm

Wednesday 17th December Whole School Panto Trip

Thursday 18th December Christmas Lunch

Thursday 18th December KS2 Christmas Carols 2.45pm

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

Tuesday 10th March YR & YR6 National Child Measurement

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

Monday 20th July INSET DAY- No children in school

Tuesday 21st July to Monday 31st August 2026 Summer Holidays