

Benwick Primary School



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Benwick Briefing 13/03/2026

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Message from Mrs Talbot:

It's been another super week in school with some of the highlights being 'learn to ride', bushcraft, and Owls' Egypt day visit to the Fitz Museum in Cambridge.

Next week, we are looking forward to 'Global Recycling Day' and will welcome visitors from the Waste Education Team. As part of this our Eco Team will take part in a workshop, KS1 will have a special assembly and Owls and Swans classes will have their own workshops.

We are expecting the delivery of our Arbour seat, hopefully next week, and can't wait for the children to be able to start using it. We are looking for a volunteer/s who could put it together for us, if anyone is able to help, please let Mrs Barton in the office know - thanks!

Class of the week: This week the trophy is awarded to Robin for a super hardworking week!

Have a super weekend,
Best wishes,

Mrs Talbot- Headteacher

Comic Relief

Friday 20th March is Red Nose Day. To raise money, we will be having a dress down day and children are invited to wear red. Each class will also have a time when children can tell jokes in class as we do something funny for money.

Junior Travel Ambassadors Poster Competition

Benwick school is taking part in the Big Walk & Wheel 2026 and in advance of this our JTA's are launching a poster competition to improve parking behaviour and enhance road safety outside our school.

The winning posters will be displayed around the front of the school to encourage parents/carers to park appropriately when dropping off or collecting their children.

Pupils are welcome to be as creative as possible to get the message across. Please see the Cambridgeshire County Council leaflet - it will hopefully give pupils ideas of the designs we are looking for:

Designs can up to A3 in size, If they are 3D we will take photographs to use them.

Please have your finished poster in by 17th April. We have 2 (KS1 & KS2) goodie bags to give away for the winning designs!

Road Closures

We have been notified of two road closures, both starting on the 23rd March which will affect how people get to school.

Ramsey Road- This road will be closed on 23rd March for 3 weeks. It is a full road closure and you will not be able to get to Benwick from the Forty Foot. A map of the works is attached, the star indicates where the closure is taking place.

Floods Ferry Road- There will also be a full closure in place on the Floods Ferry Road also starting on the 23rd March for 11 weeks.

Please plan your routes and allow extra travelling time.

Parents Meetings

Parents meetings will be taking place on Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th April, directly after the Easter holidays. Booking will open for parents' meetings on Saturday 21st March and close on Thursday 26th March. More details will follow next week.

Easy Fundraising

A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who supports Benwick Primary School on #easyfundraising. Just by taking an extra step when you shop online and collecting a free donation for us, we've currently raised over £15! Not one of our supporters yet? Please join today at: <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/benwick-primary-school/tcdxc6/c2s/mQ7oHj9a/PMC13/facebook/15.1>

Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

Friday 27th March on the playground after school. With summer approaching (hopefully) it is the ideal time to stock up on summer uniform.

Sleep Workshop

Sadly, we have had to cancel our sleep workshop due to insufficient number of people wanting to attend. If you are struggling with a sleep routine for your children these websites may be of interest.

<https://www.cambspborochildrenshealth.nhs.uk/sleep/>

<https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/>

<https://teensleephub.org.uk/>

<https://sleepaction.org/>

School Lunches

Don't forget to order your child's lunch next week.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind Regards
Mrs Rachael Barton
School Secretary

Important Dates:

Tuesday 17th March	YR1 Literacy Festival
Tuesday 17th March	Film Night
Wednesday 18th March	Global Recycling Day
Wednesday 18th March	Mental Health Team Parent Session: Sleep
Friday 20th March	Comic Relief
Monday 23rd March	Easter plate competition deadline
Thursday 26th March	Big Sing- Owls & Swans Classes

Friday 27th March	Easter Cake Sale & Dress Down Day
Friday 27th March	Pre-Loved Uniform Sale
Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April	Easter Holidays
Tuesday 14th April	Parents Meetings
Wednesday 15th April	Parents Meetings
Friday 17th April	Bikeability Level 1- Owls Class
Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 11th -Friday 15th May	YR6's SAT's week
Friday 22nd May	Sports Day- Weather Permitting
Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May	Half Term
Thursday 25th & Friday 26th June	YR6- Abbey College Transition Day
Wednesday 1st July	YR6- Cromwell College Transition Day
Tuesday 7th July	YR6- Cromwell College Transition Day
Thursday 9th July	YR6- Cromwell College Transition Day
Monday 20th July	INSET DAY- No children in school
Tuesday 21st July to Monday 31st August 2026	Summer Holidays
Tuesday 1st September 2026	INSET DAY- No children in school
Wednesday 2nd September	Term starts
Friday 23rd October	INSET DAY- No children in school
Monday 21st December to Friday 1st January	Christmas Holidays
Monday 4th January 2027	INSET DAY- No children in school
Monday 15th February- Friday 19th February	Half Term
Friday 26th March- Friday 9th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 12th April	INSET DAY- No children in school
Monday 3rd May	Bank Holiday Monday
Monday 31st May- Friday 4th June	Half Term
Wednesday 21st July	INSET DAY- No children in school
Thursday 22nd July- Tuesday 31st August	Summer Holidays