

Benwick Primary School



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Benwick Briefing 02/10/2026

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Message from Mrs Talbot:

It's been another lovely week in school, the weather has meant there's been lots of outdoor learning too!

Share & Shine

Our Share & Shine sessions are always really popular with families and the children love sharing their work with you. In the dates section below I have listed the dates for this term's share & shine opportunities, be sure to pop them on your calendar and join us if you can.

Parents Meetings:

Autumn Term Parents meetings are an excellent opportunity to find out about how your child has settled and how you and the school can work together to best support your child to make excellent progress. We have enough appointments to offer one appointment per child, we understand that sometimes separated parents do not feel that they can attend together, if this is the case, we respectfully ask that you decide who will attend the Autumn meeting and book just one appointment, unfortunately we cannot offer separate appointments. Our booking system will open on **10th October at 10am**. Short reports will be sent to all parents with registered emails on our system.

Is my child well enough for school:

Good attendance at school is vital for your child's academic and social and emotional development and well-being. However sometimes they may be unwell and it can be tricky to know whether to send them to school. Please see the attached NHS leaflet to help you make your decision. We do have a 48-hour non-attendance policy following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea. <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Class of the week: This week it has to Robins class - great behaviours for learning!

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Talbot - Headteacher

Friends of Benwick School FOBS- PTA

Many of you may know that we have been without a PTA for just over a year, however I am pleased to say that we have a group of parents that are willing to come together and form an official PTA. There is a meeting being held on Monday 19th October at 7pm, location to be confirmed, depending on numbers. If you would like to attend, please contact the school office and we can pass on the relevant details:

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Christmas Fundraising Designs

Don't forget the deadline for ordering your child's Christmas artwork is this coming Wednesday, 7th October.

School Photos

All orders should be returned to the school office by Monday morning.

Reception 2027

Are you a parent of a child who will be starting in Reception in September 2027, or know someone who is? We will be hosting two parent tours in early November, all the details are attached including the booking link. The information has also been shared on our Facebook page, please feel free to share with anyone you think may be considering our school for their child.

Education Inclusion Family Advisor (EIFA)

The EIFA team have got a new 'Managing mealtimes' workshop supporting families managing challenging mealtimes by promoting positive food experiences and emotional regulation.

- * Online session on 22nd October 2026, 12:00–13:30.
- * Focuses on creating positive mealtime experiences, increasing success, and keeping calm.
- * You can sign up via link or QR code attached.

Fenland Family Hub Network

Please find attached a 'What's on' guide for the Fenland Family Hub network and a guide to the courses they also provide.

School Lunches

Don't forget to order your child's meals for next week, here's some of the highlights:

Monday- Chow Mein noodles

Tuesday- Pizza day

Wednesday- Roast Wednesday, this week its chicken

Thursday- Homemade Sausage rolls- **Mr Taylor makes the best sausage rolls**

Friday- It's Fish Friday, did you know we also offer veggie nuggets plus the usual pasta & jacket potato for those who do not like fish.

Top tip- When you order a meal, you also need to go through the 'checkout'. This is still catching some people out!

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind Regards
Mrs Rachael Barton
School Secretary

Important Dates:

Tuesday 13th October	Share & Shire- Owls 2.45pm
Wednesday 14th October	Share & Shine- Swans 2.45pm
Thursday 15th October	Share & Shine- Robins & Doves 2.45pm
Monday 19th- Thursday 22nd October	Swans Bikeability Level 2
Tuesday 20th October	Parents Meetings
Wednesday 21st October	Parents Meetings
Friday 23rd October	INSET DAY- No children in school
Monday 26th October- Friday 30th October	Half Term
Tuesday 3rd November	Reception 2027 Parent Tour 9.30am
Friday 13th November	Reception 2027 Parent Tour 2pm

Thursday 19th November	Flu Immunisations
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