



Benwick Primary School

Newsletter No 23 18th June 2021



Dear Parents & Carers,

We have had a really busy start to the last half-term of the year with Wood Green visits to each class, Life Education visits, Maths master classes, Y6 Cromwell transition meetings and KS2 mindfulness classes beginning, as well as all our usual lessons!

Library opening:

I hope you've been following our library progress through our facebook posts, its looking fantastic and the official opening will be next week with Author Cressida Cowell officially cutting the ribbon and Look East coming to film!

School Meals:

Our new menu is really popular and we continue to talk to children about what they do and don't like and will adapt the menu as a result. Next Term, From September, the daily rate for paid school meals will be £2.45, this still represents great value for money.

Classes for next year:

Our classes are always mixed year groups (only one form entry schools or larger can sustain single age classes). Every year we look carefully at this and changes have to be made according to the size of cohorts; our numbers in year groups range from 10-19. For next year we are pleased we are able to manage our structure so that only one year group will be split across 2 classes and this will be year 3; this is because if we were to have all Y3&4 in one class the class size would be far too big, at current numbers it would be 35, but this could increase with new starters. Which class individual Y3 children will be in is yet to be finalised, following careful discussion by class staff considering friendships, social and emotional needs as well as learning needs. If your child is in Year 3 we will let you know in the coming weeks. We will be having a transition event for existing children later in the term so that children can get to know the children and staff in their new class.

Classes & Teachers from September 2021:

Robins: Reception & Year 1 – Miss Macleod
Doves: Year 2&3 – Mrs Piper/Miss Wakefield
Owls: Year 3&4 - Miss Angell
Swans: Year 5&6 - Miss Norris

Positive Cases of Covid-19 Notifications:

If your child should test positive for Covid-19 over the weekend, **please email:** covid@benwick.cambs.sch.uk
We have had some issues with our school mobile's sim card and so until it has been sorted will be using this email for notifications instead. Thank you.

Covid restrictions:

Following the Prime Minister's announcement on Monday, pushing back the lifting of restrictions, we will be keeping all our current risk assessments in place until the end of term. We do expect to return to 'normal' in September, but will need to follow government guidance and so will confirm this in due course.
Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes, **Mrs Clare Talbot – Headteacher**



Diary Dates

Important dates:

Wednesday 23rd June – New Reception Parents meeting 6pm (virtual via zoom – letters have been sent out)
Tuesday 20th July – Change over Tuesday – Children enjoy activities outside with new class groups
Thursday 22nd July – Last Day of the school year

Together We Can: Staff-Pupils-Family