



Weekly Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

We have had a fabulous week here at Benhall Infant and Pre-school this week, even if the end of the week was very hot and sticky. The children have impressed us with all of the purple learning skills this week. This week I want to give a great big shout out to the fabulous Mrs Spence and Mrs Aitken, who have worked tirelessly over the last 9 weeks to support our teaching students. Their commitment to developing the teachers of the future shone when the university was inspected by Ofsted earlier this week. Their love and support is appreciated by all of our students. Congratulations to Miss Dobbs who has also been involved in the inspection as a student and smashed it!

Reception

This week has been busy with the beginning of our children's transition into Year One! On Tuesday they all met their new Year One teachers and showed them how fabulous they are in their current Reception environment. Mrs Pain, Miss Mason and Miss Pates really loved having time with their new classes and have already learnt so much about them. Next Friday the children will be visiting their new classrooms and teachers to explore their new environments. We know this can be an anxious time for your children (and perhaps you too) and hope that with lots of fun transition experiences, we can turn any nerves into excitement ready for September. If your child, or yourselves have any worries about this, please do let us know. It seems like only yesterday we were welcoming you all into the Benhall Family and my goodness, how far they have all come this year.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Aitken and your Reception Team

Year 1

We started on Monday with a fantastic sports day practise and impressed our teachers with how supportive we were with our teammates' successes! Our science lesson this week focused on plants. We discussed what a plant is, what they need to grow, how they differ and why they are different. Year 1 absolutely blew their teachers away with their knowledge of plants! In history we learned all about Christopher Columbus and were fascinated with how things have changed from his life to ours! Despite the scorching weather, we have all been brilliant purple learners and have continued to produce excellent work! Wishing you all a fantastic weekend.

Year 1 Parent Event Update

Just to remind you all that we changed our parent event from this term (Sports) to last term where we invited you in to create the Benhall Birthday T-shirt. We just wanted to remind you so that nobody turns up and is disappointed. We look forward to seeing you at Sports Day soon!

Year 2

It has been a wonderful week in Year 2 and we have loved playing and learning in the sunshine. We have now started our final theme for the year - Big Cats! This is perfectly linked to our end of year performances of the Lion King, both in school and at the Town Hall. Our writing genre this term will be non-chronological reports and we have been learning to create catchy titles, rhetorical questions and fascinating facts. We really are so incredibly proud of the children's writing journey this year - The Write Stuff has enabled them to become such skilled, adventurous writers. Alongside this, we have been finding out more about the continent of Africa by creating watercolour maps and information booklets. Our brilliant students have been teaching Year 2 about measuring and length. The children have also mixed their own tints and tones to produce some beautiful paintings of big cats. Wishing you a lovely, sunny weekend.

Pre-School

In Pre-School this week we have been learning all about 'Transport.' We have explored different types of transport and how they might travel on land, sea, or air. The children have used their imagination and enjoyed the role-play areas, which were a bus and an aeroplane. They have been creative using assorted shapes to create a vehicle. We have shared many stories relating to this theme and have enjoyed an imaginary train journey, and we have enjoyed watching the interactive board and 'Modes of Transport.' In Gold family we have a HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Brody. Thursday we had Father's Day Breakfast, thank you to all those who joined us. Have a lovely weekend, enjoy the sunshine, **HAPPY FATHER' DAY**, The Pre-School Team.

Next week our theme will be Pirates and Princesses!



Sports Day

Information for you regarding Sports Day - 22nd June

Children to come in wearing their school PE kit with a hat and drinks. Parents all welcome.

Times

Year 2	9.00am - 10.30am
Year 1	10.30am - 12.00pm
Reception	1.00pm - 2.30pm

Scholarpack Parent App

As we have been using the App in its basic form for a while now we would like to introduce some more features.

You will be able to view:

Your child's permissions, dietary requirements, medical details.

You can request to change data and report absences through the App.

Please download the App if you have not already, as you will miss messages from School or Pre-School.

Super School Council

We are organising to meet with the PTA to discuss the Summer Fair and see how they would like us to help them. We have lots of ideas of what we could do to get the message around the community about our fair so watch this space! Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 22nd June. ☺

Purple Learning

We have been true purple learners this week as transition has started and we have had to begin to adjust to change. We focused this week on 'Respectful' the children have thought in classes and assembly about how respect can be shown inside and outside of school. It is important that respect is seen as a very important thing at all times and we have been thinking about how we can model this to Pre School so they are ready for September.

Have a fabulous weekend everyone

Miss Morris and the team

