

# Weekly



# Letter

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At Benhall Infant and Pre-School the staff are so skilled at following the children's interests to enhance their learning so of course football and the successes of the England team have crept into the children's learning this week, from practising the skills, designing football kits, creating newspaper front page spreads and of course the odd game of football! Aside from football mania, the children have continued with their transition visits to their new classrooms, reception have been on their first ever school trip to Benhall Park and Pre-School have shared a picnic with lunch their friends and Teddy Benhall. Our awesome year 2's performed brilliantly at their leaver's service on Wednesday - I am sure that the audience will agree that they absolutely smashed it! I would like to say a huge thank you to the year 2 team who have been incredible throughout this year and pulled off a beautiful performance despite the challenges of holding it outside. They are now working on a recorded version that will be shared via live zoom on Wednesday 4pm. The zoom link will be shared separately with year 2 parents only.

## Reception News

The highlight of our week this week has been our first ever trip out! The children were just delightful from start to finish, walking safely across the roads, chatting happily on the way, and showing beautiful manners throughout to each other and our parent helpers. Thank you to everyone who was able to come along and help. Sorry we couldn't take everyone with us. The games we played were full of joy and laughter and everyone took part without hesitation - Duck, Duck Goose, Dodgeball and Stuck in the Mud were our favourites. Miss Morris showed her speedy running as she tried to catch Lilly during Duck Duck Goose, but Lilly was just too fast! It was so lovely to all be together in the woods at the end of our morning to sing a few special songs before we headed back to school for lunch. What a very special end to the week.

## Year 1 News

This week, Year 1 were set the challenge of designing and making a vehicle to help Little Red Riding Hood carry her shopping back and forth to Grandma's cottage. We learnt all about how wheels work and even had a go at some very careful sawing! Finally, the children got to test out their marvellous moving models and were so excited to see how fast they could go! We have also been getting better at using money to buy ice creams in our outdoor ice cream shop and working together in teams to create our own football posters! We can't wait for the final! Enjoy the weekend everyone!



## Year 2 News

What a fabulous, emotional, exhilarating, fun filled week we have had in Year 2. It has been a roller coaster of emotions leading up to Indigo and Violet Class performing their end of year assembly on Wednesday. We were faced with rain, sunshine and technical issues but to quote Miss Morris - the children smashed it! Their performance gave us all goose bumps - what an amazing group of children. Thank you to all our wonderful parents who came to support and who celebrated all the children by cheering, clapping and dancing throughout. The memories of the children signing A Million Dreams will stay with us together. Back in the classroom, we have continued to go football crazy by making flags, shirt designs and news reports. Alongside this, we have been creating our own Benhall timelines and have been taking a trip down memory lane remembering our adventures in YR and Y1. One more week to go at Benhall. It is going to be a sad one at times but we are determined that the children are going to have the BEST send-off ever! Please look out for the email with regards to fun day next Tuesday. Have an amazing weekend and fingers crossed that football will be coming home!!!!!!!

## Pre-School News

This week in Pre-School we have continued to learn about the Seaside, we have enjoyed many stories relating to this topic, created handprint crabs and cupcake fish, we have explored different animals that live under the sea. On Monday we enjoyed a day of water play and great fun was had by everyone, and on Thursday we enjoyed having a picnic. Next week we look forward to our leavers Graduation on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July, which will be recorded, and will be shared with their parents. Please watch out for texts and emails with information relating to this. We hope you all have a pleasant weekend, The Pre-School Team.



## 25 Mile Medal by Amber Wisdom

In June I walked and ran 25 miles. I did it because I liked the look of the medal. I walked lots of different routes with my mum. It was very tiring but also very fun.



## School Uniform

School Togs, our school uniform supplier has been in touch to inform us they are having some supply issues. Anyone wishing to order sweatshirts or cardigans can pre-order them with an expected delivery date of 1<sup>st</sup> August. You can of course still visit the shop if you need to check on sizes. Polo shirts/PE shirts and shorts are all in stock.

## The Meadow

Could you lend a hand with the Wild Meadow? I am looking for a group of interested parents who are able to offer me occasional help taking care of the meadow, with tasks such as leaf raking, path strimming and mowing, log pile building, litter picking, wildflower seed sowing and nest box cleaning. Work will take place outside of school hours. Children are welcome to attend, as long as the work we are doing is safe for them. You would not be obliged to attend every time, only when you choose to. You will get to see the meadow and its plants and wildlife first hand, and take part in making something very special for pupils present and future. Please e-mail me (Alex Clark) on [alexrosedeacon@hotmail.com](mailto:alexrosedeacon@hotmail.com) if you would like to join in!

## PTA News

- Summer Raffle closes on Sunday night. To be drawn Monday afternoon. Prizes include Family of 4 Longleat tickets, Hotel Chocolat, Molton Brown goodies, Waitrose voucher and Usborne books. £2 a ticket <https://paypal.me/pools/c/8Ap4DID1Zu>
- Second hand uniform . Please donate any unwanted uniform especially logo'd either bring to school by end of term or drop off to 12 Rissington Close after 16<sup>th</sup> July. A 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform sale will be held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 11.00-1.00 and 24<sup>th</sup> August 2.00-4.00 both being held on the school's main playground.
- Fairy Door Trail - trail packs on sale in the playground after school from Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July until Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July. Summer holiday trail around Benhall and Hatherley. Packs are available via [pta@benhall.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:pta@benhall.gloucs.sch.uk) - £3 each.
- Summer Holiday working party. Do you fancy helping out doing some gardening and playground maintenance during the summer holidays. Get in touch with Caroline [pta@benhall.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:pta@benhall.gloucs.sch.uk)



Have a wonderful weekend everyone.  
From Miss Morris and the team xx