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Tuesday 24th June 2025

NEWS

Message from Ms Drew

What a difference in the weather this week! The previous weeks it has been rainy and cold and now we are all wilting like sunflowers! The warm weather is set to return, please ensure your child has a bottle of water and has sun cream on.

The children from our partner school in Madrid visited with their teachers on Monday last week; it was lovely to welcome them to Benthal. They had a tour of the school with me and tried a typically British snack, a custard cream biscuit! They experienced lessons with Year 5 children and tried Chef Alex's tasty lunch of sausage and mash, one even tried the gravy. All the plates were clear, so they must have enjoyed it. They tried their English on us and the children at Benthal were keen to practice their Spanish. A very successful trip!

We had two very successful Sport's Days last week the infants on Tuesday and Juniors on Wednesday. Thank you to Coach H and Mr Brown for these two fabulous events. It takes a lot of time to organise, prep and then take all the equipment up to Hackney Down's. Thank you to all the parents/carers that came along too to support the school and the children. I know everyone thoroughly enjoyed it, particularly the parent/carer races!

It is Secondary transition for year 6 and Meet your new teacher for the children at Benthal on Thursday 3rd July, please look out soon for the letter with the teacher information for next academic year.

Finally, the Summer Fair is having a make-over! The new 'PTA Friends of Benthal' would like to announce the Benthal Summer Party, after school on Friday 4th July 3.30-6pm in the courtyard; please use the Benthal Road entrance. We will have a BBQ, bouncy castle and lots of stalls and games Sock Lucky Dip, tombola, hook a duck, glitter tattoos and a cake stall and much more going on.

The new PTA and myself will need help on the day, either to set up during the day, or stay and run a stall, or the help with the BBQ or donations for the cake sale.

Remember every parent/carer of a child at Benthal belongs to the PTA - Parent (& Carer) Teacher Association. If you can help that would be fantastic and will contribute to the overall ethos and community of the school. Please let me know as soon as you can if you are interested in supporting this fundraising event for our Benthal children.

Have a great week and stay sun safe! Ms Drew

KS1 and KS2 SPORTS DAY!

We had two days of fun and games in the sun last Tuesday and Wednesday! Thank you to Coach H and Mr Brown for organising Hurdle Sprints, Tunnel Races, Target Throwing and Sack Races, as well as Archery and Tug of War for the KS2 classes. And how could we forget, the Parent/Carer Races! The children were very excited and everyone did brilliantly. Thank you of course to all the parents and families who came to support their children, you really made the day!



Visit from our Spanish Partner School

It was lovely to welcome teachers and children from our partner school, Raimondo Lulio School in Madrid, last Monday. They went on a tour of the school; Year 5 got to practise their Spanish when they joined in for lessons and play time; and they enjoyed delicious bangers and mash for lunch!



UNIFORM GRANT FOR YEAR 6 CHILDREN

Your child could get a school uniform grant if they are transferring from primary (Year 6) to secondary school (Year 7). To qualify, you must be a Hackney resident and receiving certain benefits.

Please visit Hackney Education for full details and apply online: https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/school-uniform-grant-age-11

If eligible, you should receive your grant before September if applying before 30 June. The grant is also available for current Year 7 pupils who started secondary school from September 2024 and meet the eligibility criteria.

ZER: CARBON SCHOOLS

As part of the Zero Carbon Schools project, Year 5 took part in an inspiring sustainability workshop with HEAL (Home Energy Action Lab) a Hackney-based group that runs family-friendly activi-

ties focused on sustainable energy.

Year 5 will be delivering an assembly on Wed 25 June on the importance of saving energy, which will also launch our Outdoor Learning Week and Switch-Off Week initiative.

Please also **fill out this <u>quick survey</u>** to shape future pupil-led climate action at Benthal! We really want to involve the whole school community!

You will be entered into a prize-draw for a £10 supermarket voucher.





DATES TO REMEMBER

Year 5 Eco Assembly

Wednesday 25th June 9:15-9:30am Small Hall

Infants Singing Festival at Round Chapel
Wednesday 25th June

<u>Year 6 Workshop at Ben Kinsella Trust</u> Monday 26th June

Early Years Singing Festival at Round Chapel Friday 27th June

Food Week!

Monday 30th June - Friday 6th July

Family Support Drop In with Dionne Collins
Tuesday 1st July 3:30 - 4:30pm Library

Early Years and KS1 to Clissold Park
Friday 4th July

PTA Friends of Benthal SUMMER PARTY

Friday 4th July 3:30 - 6:00pm

KS2 to Clissold Park

Monday 7th July

Year 6 Trip to Ernst & Young @ More London Wednesday 9th July

Year 3 Trip to British Museum

Monday 14th July

Class Parties

Thursday 17th July 2:30pm

Summer Term ends

Friday 18th July at 1:30pm No Playcentre

Summer HAF Playscheme

22 July - 12 August Booking opens in July

PTA Friends of Benthal present this year's

Summer Party! * Fri 4 July 3:30-6:00pm

We need YOUR support to make this year the best yet! ©

- Can you spare an hour or two to help prepare, set up or help on the day?
 Let us know!
- Sweet or savoury treats very welcome for the Bake Sale! Donations welcome for tombola prizes!
 - Want to run a stall? We have tables!

Email friendsofbenthal@gmail.com
Or contact the School Office



PTA FRIENDS OF BENTHAL PRESENT THE

2025











BBQ, Bouncy Castle, Glitter/Henna Tattoos, Tombola, Bake Sale, Games and much more!



ENTRY VIA BENTHAL ROAD GATE



Parent/carer volunteers needed! Email us on friendsofbenthal@gmail.com

