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Friday 20th September 2024

NEWS

Message from M.s. Drew

Another busy week at Benthal!

Thank you to all the parents/carers that came to our Meet the Teacher session on Monday afternoon. It was an opportunity for the class teachers to share the Autumn Term curriculum and to answer any questions you may have had. Not to worry if you couldn't make it, you will find all the information in the curriculum letters sent out last week.

The entire school has been focusing on our Benthal Values these last few weeks. Whilst we know the Benthal Values are fully embedded in the school, it is always good to refresh and refocus ourselves. Each class has been busy working on aspects of the values, which will result in beautiful corridor displays. It will also include a photograph of the child from that class that has gained a Benthal Values Celebration certificate.

Here are the Benthal Values for you to have at home too

Ms Drew

Learners, Achievers, Friends		
As Learners we:	As Achievers we:	As Friends we:
Are good listeners	Persevere and stay positive	Resolve differences together
Ask questions	Take Pride in our work	Are trustworthy and honest
Are creative thinkers	Aim high	Share, co-operate and
Are problem solvers	Are Resilient	work as a team
Read widely to expand our	Work hard	Respect our differences
minds		

<u>Harvest Festival 2024</u>

We will be celebrating Harvest Festival on Friday 27th September. It would be lovely if everyone brought in a donation to give to local Hackney families in need. Please ensure donations are factory sealed, non-perishable and with a good sell by date. Donations should be brought in by Thursday 26th September and given to class teachers.

Some of the items suggested include:

- Tinned foods: soup, potato, meat/fish, tomatoes, veg, fruit,
- Fruit Juice (carton long life)/ Fruit Squash
- Pasta/spaghetti/rice/couscous
- Baked beans/cooking sauces /Instant Mash
- Rice/sponge pudding [tin]
- Biscuits/crackers/crispbreads
- Healthy Snacks e.g. Raisins/Apricots etc.
- Tea bags/coffee/sugar





Curriculum News

Year 5 — In Literacy we recreated scenes from 'Holes' by Louis Sachar to gain a deeper understanding of the characters' emotions. In Science, we dissected flowers and labelled their parts! We've been keeping very busy!



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Year 6 — As part of our "Living Things and their Habitats" topic in science, Year 6 have set up a mouldy bread experiment to learn about bacteria and how it grows. Over the coming weeks, they will be observing, recording, and evaluating their findings. We're excited for them to share what they discover!

Reception — Pine Class made rainbow alligators this week, using painting, drawing and printing.

EYFS—In EYFS we have been very lucky and got some new bikes. Thank you Ms Drew! We have been enjoying them this week. The bikes help us to strengthen our muscles and keep active! We have bikes that two people ride which helps us with team work, taking turns and helping each other. We have also used our problem solving skills in trying to join vehicles together!

You can follow our fun on Instagram @benthalearlyyears

Message for Nursery Parents: If you are a parent of a child in Mulberry Nursery please check your email for a message from Ms Morgan about a Nursery project that we need your help with.

Parent Code of Conduct

We would like to re-issue Benthal's Parent Code of Conduct, which will be emailed out to you for your information. Please take a moment to read the document to refresh yourself on expectations. As a school community it is vital that Benthal children and staff feel valued and safe in the space in which they learn and work.

Flu Vaccine 2024

The flu vaccine is being offered again this autumn/winter to pupils from Reception to Year 6. It is important that all parents respond whether you are giving or refusing consent for your child to have the vaccine - please use this link:

https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2024/cityandhackney

DATES TO REMEMBER



Harvest Festival Assembly for pupils Friday 27th September—10.15am International Day Friday 4th October 3.30pm-4.30pm Individual School Photographs Friday 11th October Parents Evening Thursday 7th November 4-7pm Year 3 trip to Barbican LSO Wednesday 13th November at 9.30am Y3-4 Pantomime at Hackney Empire Tuesday 3rd December Y5-6 Pantomime at Hackney Empire Friday 13th December Flu Vaccinations (for Reception-Year 6) Tuesday 5th November Xmas Lights Switch on & Winter Fair Friday 6th December at 3.30pm **Dinner with Santa** Friday 6th December at 6.15pm Year 2 Barbican LSO Trip Monday 9th December at 9.30am KS2 Carol Concert Wednesday 11th December at 2pm Christmas School Lunch & Jumper Day Thursday 12th December Year 1 & 2 Christmas Show Friday 13th December at 2.30pm **Class Parties** Thursday 19th December at 2pm

<u>TERM DATES</u> <u>Autumn Half Term Holidays</u> Mon 28th October - Fri 1st November <u>Christmas Break</u> Friday 20th December school finishes at 1.30pm



School Uniform

Unfortunately due to our supplier's cost increasing, we have no alternative but to increase our uniform prices.

from Monday 23rd September:

Jumpers, previously £9, will be £10 Cardigans, previously £10, will be £12



Please be reminded that we sell preloved uniform bundles at £1 per item

After School Clubs

There are still spaces available on all clubs. If you are interested in registering your child, please click on the link below:

After School Club form Autumn 2024