



### Message from Ms Drew

Another busy week at Benthal! Year 6 have been working with architects last week and learning how the development of design ends with constructing a building. They walked around the local area looking at all the varied designs of architecture; Hackney is certainly rich in this area. According to the Year 6 teachers they walked over 20,000 steps! Please see some photos on reverse.

It's Harvest at Benthal this week. Check the information over the page on what to donate. This year anything that you can give will be very much appreciated and will go to families in need in the community. We will be celebrating and giving thanks to what we have on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September.

A reminder to parents and carers that use the Rendlesham Road entrance- the gate opens at 8.40am, however, there is no school adult supervision until staff come on duty at 8.50am. Parents and carers are responsible for their children during those 10 mins.

Don't forget that you will be able to come into the school on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September for our Meet the Teacher session. Please use the main entrance at 4.30pm. This will be an opportunity for the class teacher to answer any questions you may have about the Autumn term curriculum from the curriculum letters that were sent out last week.

Have a good weekend and enjoy the last of the September sunshine.

Ms Drew

### A Reminder for Year 2 Parents & Carers

Children are expected to line up in the Astroturf playground at 8.50am and to be collected promptly at 3.25pm.

This is to allow parents and carers time to walk around to the Benthal Road gate if they need to drop off and pick up any Year 1 or Early Years siblings at 9.00am and 3.30pm.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL 2022

Friday 30th September

Supporting Hackney Food Bank

We will be celebrating Harvest Festival and would love for everyone to join us by bringing donations for this local charity that will help local Hackney residents and families.

During assembly, we will be teaching our children to think about their lives and the lives of others who have less than themselves.

Please ensure donations are factory sealed, non-perishable, with a good sell by date. Items should be dried/preserved, not frozen/refrigerated:

- Tinned foods: soup, beans, tomatoes, fruit, rice pudding
- Fruit Juice (long life carton) · Fruit Squash
- Pasta/spaghetti/rice/couscous · Jars: jams, cooking sauces
- Tea bags/coffee · Sugar

- Biscuits/crackers · Healthy Snacks/Dried fruits



Please bring in donations by  
**Thursday 29th September**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**Meet The Teacher (all year groups)**

**Monday 26th of September, 4.30-5.30pm**

Please use the main school entrance on Benthall Road and report to school reception office



**Harvest Festival**

**Friday 30th of September**

## Excellence in Spanish Curriculum

Congratulations to Mr Biswell for his hard work in achieving Hackney Silver Award for Excellence in Spanish Curriculum and Provision for Benthall.

The award is endorsed by the British Council & the Spanish Embassy Education Department. We join 13 other Hackney schools that have the Silver Award.



## SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSFERS

Applications for secondary school applications are now open with the deadline to apply by 31 October 2022.

All parents/carers will need to create an account on [eadmissions.org.uk](https://eadmissions.org.uk).

As usual, we offer support sessions for Year 6 parents on Monday 3rd of October, 4-5pm and Tuesday 4th of October 9.30-10.30am. The sessions will take place in the school library and there is no need to pre-book.

### Reminders:

- Please label all uniform including PE kit and coats. If your child has lost something, please check our lost property boxes: we already have lots of items waiting to be re-united with their owners. If your child brings home something which does not belong to them, please return it to the school office.
- Only prescribed medication can be administered at school. Please fill a medication consent form in the school office.
- We still have some spaces for Music clubs for Years 3-6. Taster sessions are available. Please let the office know if your child is interested.

## Year 6 Architecture Workshop





## Benthal Primary School - Term Dates 2022/2023

| Term        | Start  | End                                   | Half Term  | Start  | End                                   | End of Term Holiday  |
|-------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| Autumn 2022 | INSET Days on Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> and Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> September for Staff. Pupils return on Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2022 | Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2022  | Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022   | Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2022   | Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022 | Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December – Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2023 |
| Spring 2023 | Inset Day Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> January, pupils return on Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023  | Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 | Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 | Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2023  | Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023    | Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April – Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2023      |
| Summer 2023 | Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023   | Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2023      | Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023           | INSET Day on Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June for Staff. Pupils return on Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 | Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023     | Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July   |

### INSET Days

**INSET 1:** Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022

**INSET 2:** Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022

**INSET 3:** Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023

**INSET 4:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023

**INSET 5:** TBC

### Bank Holidays 2022/2023

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022 (Queen Elizabeth II's State Funeral)

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> December 2022 (Boxing Day)

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2022 (Christmas Day substitute)

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2023 (New Year's Day substitute)

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2023 (Good Friday)

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2023 (Easter Monday)

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (Spring Bank Holiday)

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2023