



Message from Ms Drew

Well all I can say is what a week it was last week.

The children from our partner school in Madrid visited with their teachers on Monday last week. They had a tour of the school, experienced lessons with Year 5 children and even ate a traditional cake of scones, jam and cream! They tried their English on us and the children at Benthal were keen to practice their Spanish. A very successful trip!

Of course we also had our OFSTED inspection last week. It was a full graded 2 -day inspection using the new inspection framework. We will be able to share with you the report as soon as it is checked and confirmed which can take up to 50 working days in total. Therefore the report might not be out until August or September. We will let you know when it is.

I would like to thank all the parents/carers that sent their good wishes to us either verbally or via email before and during the inspection. It was very much appreciated by me and all the staff at Benthal. And, thank you to those parents/carers that completed the online survey. The lead inspector was able to share with me the findings and the lovely things that had been written about the school.

Now, we are approaching the last few weeks of the summer term, like always there is a lot going on. With KS1 Sport's Day last week, KS2 Sport's Day this week, secondary transition for year 6 and Meet your new teacher on Thursday 6th July and lots more, all the while with our amazing staff delivering high quality lessons and the children experiencing 'irresistible learning'. Have a great week!

Ms Drew



BENTHAL SUMMER FAIR

SATURDAY 1st JULY – 12.30PM TO 3.30PM

ENTRANCE – RENDLESHAM ROAD



We look forward to welcoming you to our Summer Fair. There will be face painting, music, food, games, arts and crafts, raffle and bouncy castle.

Friends of Benthal still need more parent helpers for the summer fair to bake, make food, run stalls, help with set up or tidy up! No experience necessary. If you can help please email andresgonzalo@gmail.com

We also need more prize donations for the RAFFLE - do you/friends or family work for a business that can offer a prize or do you have any unwanted **NEW** gifts or presents? Please contact Kully on 07713 255 057

YEAR 6 GRADUATION



Year 6 will be having their graduation ceremony on Tuesday 18th July at 2pm. The pupils have received their fabulous leavers' hoodies and have been wearing it with pride over the past few weeks.

We are very proud of our Year 6 and hope that you will be able to come and help us celebrate their achievements and cheer them on as they embark on a new chapter in their life at secondary school.

Benthal Open Afternoon/Evening

Remember Parents Open evening is on Thursday 13th July 2pm-6pm. Please see the additional letter attached for all further information on how it will be organised.

ANNUAL VISIT OF SPANISH CHILDREN

It was great to have twenty Spanish children and their teachers from our partner school in Madrid pay Benthall a visit on Monday 19th June.

The Spanish children thoroughly enjoyed taking part in maths and literacy lessons in Year 5 and 6, (renewing friendships that begun earlier this year when twelve of our Year 5 children visited our partner school in Madrid) and enjoying a fabulous Benthall lunch with our children. All the teachers from Spain commented on how calm Benthall School appeared in general and how focussed our children were on their learning in particular. What great compliments for our school, children and staff. Well done everybody for making our Spanish friends so welcome



DATES TO REMEMBER



Saturday 1st of July

Benthall Fundraising Summer Fair

Thursday 6th of July

Meet the Teacher Day

Tuesday 11th July (2-6 pm)

Parents open day for Aspen and Pine

Wednesday 12th July - 2pm

Year 6 Show

Thursday 13th July (Year 1-6, 2-6pm)

Parents Open day—School finishes at 1.30pm

Tuesday 18TH July - 2pm

Year 6 Graduation

Thursday 20th July

End of year class party for all pupils

Friday 21st July

Last Day of Term—School finishes at 1.30pm

Autumn Term Inset Day

4 & 5th September 2023

Spring Term Inset Day

8th January 2024

SPANISH MENU DAY

Chef Alex created a beautiful Spanish menu consisting of churros, Paella, patatas bravas, pan con tomate. The children welcomed the menu and really enjoyed the food



SPORTS DAY

Year 1 and 2 sports day was held at Hackney Downs park on the 21st of June. It was amazing to see friends and families attend to cheer on their children, and also taking part in the parents/carers race. We will be announcing the winners of the day over the coming weeks. We had brilliant weather, and the children came prepared with their sunscreen, water and sun hat.

