



News on the Ninth

BENGEO PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Attendance

Congratulations to Monkey Puzzle for the best attendance in June.

The top three classes for attendance, together with their percentages, were:

Class	%
Monkey Puzzle	97.8
Rowan	97.6
CB & Willow	97.5



Bring Dad to School Day

Children and their Dads had an amazing day on Friday 16 June. We saw Dads taking part in Physi-gym, involved in construction, arts and crafts, building bridges and making dens.



Bengeo Day 2nd July

This was an amazing day! The sun was shining and the school field was packed with people having fun and enjoying the wealth of activities on offer.

Thank you so much to Clare Blackman, Becci Cousins and the parents and staff who gave up many hours to make this one of the best Bengeo Days yet. A truly extraordinary achievement.





The Museums Explorer Passport is back for 2017!

Museums in Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire have teamed up to offer a free passport for children and families to take part in a series of challenges and free craft activities. Children will get a stamp for each challenge they complete which goes towards an Arts Award Discover qualification and certificate. This award provides a great introduction to the arts and to other Arts Award levels. The passport has been created with the aim of encouraging families to visit museums and show them how many great museums there are on their doorstep, providing a range of fantastic, affordable activities during the holidays. You can collect your free passport from any participating Museum in the two counties and more information is available at

<https://museumexplorerpassport.com/>

Bryan Lovell

Year 4 and 5 children had a very informative talk from Dr Bryan Lovell on climate change and the history of Bengeo on June 21st. Dr Lovell was very impressed with the sophisticated higher order questioning from the children and thoroughly enjoyed his visit to the school.



Sports Day

Children across Key Stage 1 and 2 enjoyed taking part in their Sports Days. Behaviour of all children was impeccable with tremendous sportsmanship shown by all.





Reports

Your child's annual report will be available for collection at the end of your visit to the school on the Open Evening, 12th July. If you have any comments or queries about the report that you wish to discuss, please arrange a meeting with your child's teacher.

Year 6 Cycling Proficiency



Some of the Y6 children have been taking part in Cycling Proficiency this week, learning all aspects of cycling safely on our roads.

Distraction Workshop

The resource, 'Dealing with distraction', has been developed by Hertfordshire's Safe & Sustainable Journeys in Schools (SSJ) team on the back of research which shows that children are being distracted by mobile technology while walking, which in turn is "resulting in more accidents". Katie Goldthorpe came in to school to run this course for our Year 6's.

Scooter Safety



Katie Goldthorpe, from the Road Safety team came in to teach the children in Year 2 to ride their scooters safely and considerately.

Road Safety Skills

During the last two weeks of term Year 4 will be learning road safety skills. This will give them an opportunity to work in small groups both in school and in the immediate area outside the school. This will keep them safe on the roads and secure their knowledge of road traffic safety.

Free School Meals

Are you on a low income or benefit? You could be eligible for free school meals, as well as financial help with activities & opportunities for your children. This applies to children of all ages and is not the same as Universal Free School Meals which is the provision of school meals to Reception, Year 1 & 2.

If you are currently receiving this benefit, please check that you are being automatically renewed for September.

To apply or for more information go to: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Rowan Class Cake Sale

On Friday 7th July some children from Rowan Class held a cake sale in aid of the victims of the Glenfell Tower fire. They made some delicious cakes and raised a fantastic £155!

There will be another charity cake sale on Thursday 20th July, run by Ben Tillbrook and his mum, in aid of the Isabel Hospice.

If you would like to put your name down for a charity cake sale – please see Mrs Murray in the office.

Violin Concert

The children learning the violin with Mrs Roberts, performed in a short concert to their parents. Beautiful music that showed off their hard work.



Classes for 2017/18

Welcome

We are delighted to welcome three new teachers to our staffing team this year. Miss Young, Mrs Guy and Miss George have been into school several times and worked with their year group partners, as well as meeting some of the children already. We are very pleased to be welcoming them to Bengo and know that you will make them feel welcome here.

Teacher and new class	Previous class
Miss Freeman Beech Y6	Cedar
Miss Young Juniper Y6	Pine
Miss Peters Pine Y5	Monkey Puzzle
Miss Rainbow Cedar Y5	Rowan
Mrs Pettifer Rowan Y5	Oak
Miss George Oak Y4	Willow
Mrs Carter & Ms Potts Willow Y4	Chestnut
Mrs Day and Mrs Bartlam Chestnut Y3	Laurel
Miss Prank Monkey Puzzle Y3	Cherry Blossom
Mrs Barrett Cherry Blossom Y2	Maple
Miss Taylor Laurel Y2	Holly
Mrs Guy Maple Y1	Walnut
Mrs Cato Holly Y1	Apple
Mrs Norris Walnut YR	
Mrs Laing & Mrs Mills Apple YR	
Mrs Lodge Acorn Nursery	

Dates for your Diary

W/c 10th July – Y3 Pet Week

10th July – Sex Ed Y6 Meeting 3.30pm
in Beech Class.

12th July – 9.30am & 2.30pm
Foundation Stage Sing-a-long

12th July – Parents Open Evening
6.00pm – 7.30pm

13th July – Class swap day and Y6
visit their secondary schools

14th July – Y2 Camp day (weather
dependent)

14th July - Year 6 Leavers Barbecue –
from 3.20pm

17th July – Y1 Teddy Bear's Picnic

All clubs finish **w/c 10th July** – with
the exception of Basketball, Textiles &
French which have their last session
on **17th July**.

18th July – Y6 production 6.30pm

19th July – Nursery Pirate Day

20th July – Nursery last day

21st July – Term ends – 1.30pm

**We would like to wish you all a
wonderful and relaxing summer
and good luck to all children as
they make the transition moving
on to secondary school.**