



5th September 2025

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to this week's newsletter! We would like to wish you all a big welcome back! It has been great to see you all this week and to have our children back in school. We would also like to give a warm welcome to our new families. We have been so impressed by how well children have settled in!

We are still in the process of having some external and internal works taking place in school. Internal works are taking place when the school is closed. We are excited that we are having so many improvements and internal decoration! We will be offering visits in to school to see the developments when it is completed!

We'd like to congratulate Miss Drake who got married over the Summer and is now Mrs McMinn!

We'd also like to welcome Miss Nelson and Mrs Birch to our High Street family.

Dates for families

Please find attached dates for families for this term.

This is subject to change but any changes or updates will be shared.

Invites to achievement assemblies

Every week, each teacher gives out a 'learner of the week' certificate to a child who has shown excellent learning behaviours. From next week, we will be inviting families in to assembly if their child will receive a certificate. This week we have also launched school houses and we will be sending out more information about this soon.

Stay and learn

We're excited to start 'stay and learn' again from next week!

Every fortnight, parents and carers are invited into school to spend some time in their child's class. This is an opportunity for families to see what their child is learning and how they can help them at home. Also, a chance to discuss any queries with your child's class teacher.

Next week's focus is reading with an introduction to our online reading journal - Learning with parents (more information below!)

F1 - 9:00 - 9:30

F2 - Year 6 - 8:45 - 9:15 .

Reading



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We are hoping that Learning With Parents for classes from reception to year 6 and accelerated reader will be up and running next week.

Hopefully this will be up and running for Wednesday which is stay and learn. We will help any parents who did not manage to log on last year.

Compliments box

In the school office, we have a compliments box for parents and visitors to add to. Please feel free to add something when you next visit! We also have a compliments email address for you to send in to. The email address is compliments@bentleyhighst.elp.org.uk

Attendance

Please ensure you contact the office to report your child's absence. This prevents us from doing home visits. We aim for 96% attendance. You can find out more about our approach to attendance [here](#). Our half term attendance incentive has also been launched this week:

Parking Reminder

Please can we again remind parents about parking near the school site. As a school we are concerned about how cars park on the road adjacent to the school car park. You may have noticed that we have added a tyre barrier to prevent cars blocking the pathway.

We do not advise any children leaving school to walk to cars parked on the roadside. This is due to the amount of cars and the lack of visibility. Please take care if you drive and park here. Please also drive with caution and go slowly. Pupils should only enter the rear carpark or go near the road if accompanied by the adult collecting them

You can now enter our carpark at the back and drop pupils off there. They can walk onto the KS2 playground. Please note that this is a one way system and parking is for drop off only.

Best wishes,

Miss Austwick
Executive Principal