

CALENDAR

Friday 12 October, 3.30pm

Cake Sale

Delicious cakes on sale in the big playground straight after school.

Thursday 1 November, 3.30pm

Benthal Active

Free activity for all children, including those at Play Centre. Drop-in sessions in the big playground. Children can have fun trying a range of activities, from yoga to ball skills.

Friday 2 November, 9.30am

FoB Winter Fair planning meeting

In the School Small Hall – come along and get involved with preparations.

Friday 7 November, 3.30pm

Big Benthal Christmas lights switch on

See the Benthal Christmas tree lights turned on in the School Courtyard with singing, mince pies and hot chocolate.

Saturday 8 December

Winter Fair

Come and enjoy fantastic food, Santa's Grotto, kids' crafts, bric-a-brac and face-painting, plus a raffle and tombola full of great prizes!

I want to be involved with Friends of Benthal

Name

Email

Who we are

Chair
Vicky Marks

Secretary
Kara Kyne

Treasurer
Natalie Silk

Committee member
Ludmilla Wakaba

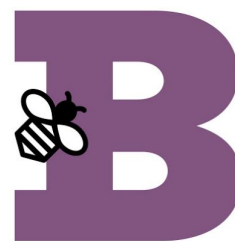
Summer Fair lead
Rosie Gold

Cake sale &
Winter Fair lead
Davina Stevens

Newsletter
Paul Ang Lee
Richard Ardagh
Natalie Silk
Pandora Syperek

Contribute your ideas, skills or just a little of your time to make our children's school an even better place.

Please fill in your details, cut out and hand in to the School Office



FRIENDS of BENTHAL NEWSLETTER

Friends of Benthal is a parent/carer-led group and registered charity that supports Benthal Primary School. We organise events for the children, raise funds, share local info and generally help nurture Benthal's unique sense of community.

PLANS FOR BENTHAL: 2019 AND BEYOND



Vicky Marks
FoB Chair

Welcome to the first issue of *The B*, the new Friends of Benthal newsletter.

Friends of Benthal (FoB) is a charity set up to organise fun stuff for children and adults that raises money for our school. In the last three years, through events like cake sales, school fairs, quizzes, and funding applications we have raised £60,000, which paid for new IT and playground equipment, drums for the music room, a gardening club for years 2-6 and storyteller visits. It's also a great way to meet other parents and carers.

Hackney Learning Trust have confirmed that Benthal will stay on its current site for at least the next 6 years, and Headteacher, Ms Drew, has lots of great ideas to keep the school fresh and exciting, like improving the library (more inside), buying new play equipment for the Infants playground, a covered outdoor play area for Reception and building a therapeutic space for all years. She has set FoB a fundraising target of £20,000 to make this happen.

All parents and carers are automatically Friends of Benthal, and if you want to find out more about what's going on either fill in the slip on the back page or email me vicky.marks@icloud.com or friendsofbenthal@benthal.hackney.sch.uk