# Beacon



#### Dear families

What a fantastic week it's been here at Beacon! The sunshine has finally made an appearance, and our children have absolutely loved making the most of our wonderful outdoor spaces. As we wrap up our third full week, it's hard to believe how quickly the term is galloping by!

Classrooms are buzzing with energy, and our children are showing a real pride in their work. This week marked the exciting launch of our extracurricular afterschool opportunities. You will see there is something exciting for everyone and we really encourage all children to try as many opportunities as they can, there's no limit, but please make sure that our office ladies have been informed.

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#### Top story this week



Some highlights from this week include, our Year 1 children taking part in a sound walk around Bodmin to inspire their writing. The children tuned into the world around them and came back brimming with ideas to support their poetry writing. A huge thank you to all the families who helped made this possible.

Our Year 5 children have been showing off some impressive footwork thanks to coaching sessions with Plymouth Argyle, it was their first session this week, but we certainly have some future stars in the making!

Just a reminder that next week, we are inviting Reception and Year 1 families to join us for our Early Reading Parent Meeting. You'll get to take part in a live lesson with your child and learn more about how we teach early reading.

We hope that you can join us, it's a lovely chance to see the magic of learning in action! Upcoming family sessions this half term also include some fantastic SEND workshops with the Cognition and Learning Team. These sessions are packed with practical advice and support - please do sign up if you're interested.

As I mentioned last week, We are also holding a number of open afternoons and tours for prospective Reception and Nursery families. If you know anyone looking for their children to Shine Brightly in a fantastic school with us, do spread the word!

All key dates for the term are listed below, including festive events (yes, it's that time already!). We'll send more details as each one approaches, so keep an eye out.

Wishing you all a restful weekend - and fingers crossed the sunshine sticks around a little longer!

Warm wishes

Kaye











### Key Events for next week—Reception and KS1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reception	Subitise use your eyes in morning maths.	Learning all about kind hands with Jigsaw Jenie.	Let's start to innovate the story- what does that mean?	Woodland animals in Science.	Drop everything and read- bring a book from home to share.
Year 1	Innovation Week What sounds are you going to add to your story?	Counting to 10 in maths!	New Geography Unit! Where do I live?	Funky French Thursday	Drop Everything and Read
Year 2	Reading as a reader our story The Gingerbread man.	PE day.	Learning how to code in computing.	Where will we go on our Beacon visit this week?	Drop everything and read.















### Key Events for next week- KS2 and ARB

,	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 3	Computing this week!	Place value – hundreds tens and ones	Thor's Mighty Hammer! Innovation	P.E day today! Football	Drop everything and read.
Year 4	Boxing Up our Medusa text!	Jp our Medusa text! Electricity in Science!	Conductors and Insulators experiment!	PE Don't forget to wear your PE kit!	Drop everything and read!
Year 5	Numerals Argyle  Starting writing our ow	Training with Plymouth	Talk for Writing  Innovating our own Warning  Tale	RE How rules help religious and non- religious people	Drop Everything and Read Bring your favourite book
Year 6		Starting writing our own Holes story	PE	Drawing self- portraits	Drop everything and read
Cosmonauts	PSHE Zones of regulation	Amazing Art Salt dough pirate coins	Sensational Science Waterproof materials	History Pirate ships	Cooking Wrap treasure hunt pizza

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EYFS 'Highlight of the Week'











This week in Nursery we have continued with our story 'Owl Babies'. We have been hand painting to create owl baby pictures and learning to mould playdough to create owls.

#### Pre-School

This week in Pre-school we have been reading the story of 'Whatever Next!' We watched a clip of a rocket being launched into space. To develop our fine motor skills, we have been practising using scissors carefully by cutting along dotted lines.

## Reception

In Reception this week we continued to immerse ourselves in 'The Little Red Hen'. We learnt about harvest and the corn turns into flour. We had a very fun time making our own bread, just like the story. We carefully followed the recipe and measured out our ingredients. We enjoyed kneading the dough and getting our hands all sticky!









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KS1 'Highlight of the Week'





#### Year 1

Year 1 have been learning all about the creation story in RE and how the world is a gift, and we should look after this precious thing. All the children had great fun using nature to become a creator and then learnt the importance of looking after it. We also recreated a roleplay of the creation story to show our knowledge and understanding. Well done Year 1 brilliant work!

#### Year 2

Year 2 have been busy learning our new story, The Gingerbread Man. To help us learn and use our adventurous vocabulary, we created some actions that you can see in the pictures. Can you guess the words from the actions? Ask your children to practise their story telling skills at home.







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Lower KS2 'Highlight of the Week'





#### Year 3

We've continued our fantastic Science learning this week, exploring all about fossils and the types of rock they are found in. We've also explored the 3 major rock types; Igneous, Metamorphic and Sedimentary. The children topped off their wonderful learning about rocks with a wonderful rock museum – each curating their own exhibit.

Ask your child about the fossils they have seen this week!

#### Year 4

We have been busy historians this week. We have been learning about the ancient civilisations of the Greeks and how they have influenced our lives even now through democracy, theatre and even the Olympics. We loved performing as if we were in our own amphitheatre!

In writing, we have been learning our new story called 'Perseus and the Gordon's Head'- see if your child can retell it at home!









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Upper KS2 'Highlight of the Week'





#### Year 5

What a fantastic week we have had together in Year 5: children have loved our new Talk for Writing text and produced some amazing actions to go with our story map; they excelled with their understanding of tenths and hundredths in maths; in reading, they have begun exploring the life of Olivia Morris and her accomplishments; and they all have demonstrated a fantastic knowledge of how rivers shape the land in Geography.

Our highlight this week however has to be football training with Plymouth Argyle. All children loved it and were a credit to themselves and Beacon.



#### Year 6

Year 6 have had a lovely week. We have enjoyed some brilliant PE lessons and clubs have started. It has been lovely to get outside in the sunshine. We have also begun a new art unit. We will be continuing this next week, sketching our very own self-portraits.

Well done Year 6, let's have another amazing week next week!



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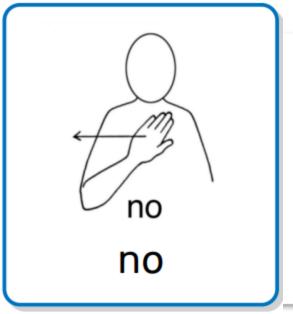




#### **Cosmonauts**

This week we have continued to learn about pirates through labelling their clothing, making treasure maps, finding pirate treasure in different sensory trays and making cheese and apple pirate ships. We have also been reading and completing activities around the pirate stories, 'The Night Pirate' and '5 Little Pirates'

#### Core word of the week











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Who has SHONE BRIGHTLY this week? Amazing achievements in reading



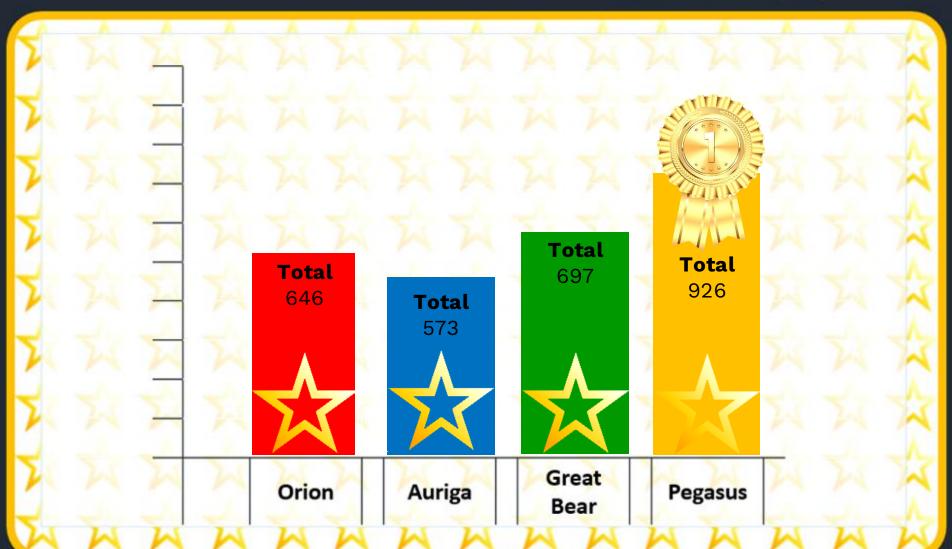
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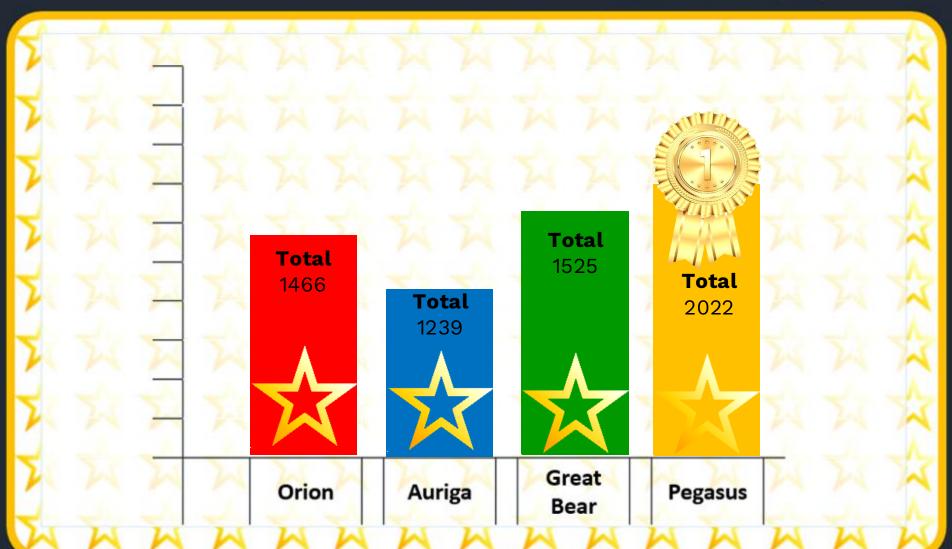


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CENSUS DAY! – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025



Census Day = School Lunch Day!

Did you know that choosing a school lunch on Census Day helps our school secure vital funding for meals, resources, and support programs? The number of pupils who choose a school meal on Census Day helps decide the funding that we receive from the Department for Education.

Help our school secure the funding that it needs by encouraging your child to choose a school meal this Census Day.

Every tray counts Every bite boosts our budget Every pupil makes a difference.

Let's show up, eat up, and power up our school together! Thursday 2nd October 2025 Menu: Meatballs in a tomato and herb sauce with rice, green beans and cauliflower finished off with chocolate sponge!

#EveryMealMatters #FuelForLearning #SchoolLunchPower



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#### **Attendance Information**







#### **Penalty Notices**

A guide to Education Welfare Services for parents and carers





#### **What is a Penalty Notice?**

A Penalty Notice is a fine that can be issued under section 444A and section 444B of the Education Act 1996. The fine is issued per parent, per child for:

- Leave of absence of 12 school sessions /6 school days or more (within any 100 school session period) during term time, without authorisation from the school, for a holiday for example
- Unauthorised absence of 12 school sessions /6 school days or more (within any 100 school session period) of absence from school, either when a parent fails to provide an explanation, or an explanation is provided but the school consider it insufficient to authorise
- Unauthorised lateness of 12 school sessions /6 school days or more (within any 100 school session period), resulting from arrival at school after the register has closed

NB A Penalty Notice can be issued for any combination of the above reasons, where the unauthorised absence from school results in 12 sessions /6 school days or more (within any 100 session period)

Or, when:

 A pupil is observed in a public place during school hours, in the first five school days of a period of exclusion from school, without reasonable justification

### Who can be issued with a Penalty Notice?

Parents and carers of a child can be issued with a Penalty Notice. The definition of a 'parent' as set out in section 576 of the Education Act 1996: By virtue of this section 'parent' includes: all natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person who lives with and looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.

#### **How much is a Penalty Notice fine?**

A Penalty Notice carries a fine of £60.00 if paid within 21 days of issue, doubling to £120.00 if paid after 21 but within 28 days.

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#### **Attendance Information**



### Penalty Notices are issued per parent, per child.

Therefore, for example, if there are two parents and two children, the fines will total £240.00 if paid within 21 days and £480.00 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days.

### Can a Penalty Notice be paid in instalments?

**No.** Penalty Notices must be paid in full, within the designated dates. However, if a parent has more than one child and is therefore issued with more than one fine, they can pay the fines separately if they wish.

### Who is responsible for issuing Penalty Notices?

It is a Headteacher's decision whether or not to authorise an absence and, if their decision is not to authorise, they have the right to request a Penalty Notice in line with their attendance policy process. Cornwall Council's role is to check that the evidence submitted is compliant with Cornwall Council's Code of Conduct for Education Related Penalty Notices and, if so, to issue as appropriate.

#### Can a parent appeal a Penalty Notice?

There is no statutory right of appeal once a Penalty Notice has been issued. If you believe that the Penalty Notice should not have been issued, you should make contact with the school or academy that your child attends at your very earliest convenience after receiving the Penalty Notice. If you wish to discuss the Penalty Notice procedure, you can contact Cornwall Council's Education Welfare Service on 01872 323400, or email educationwelfare@cornwall.gov.uk

#### **How is a Penalty Notice paid?**

Penalty Notices can be paid by card by calling the office on 01872 323400. Alternatively, payment can be made by cash or cheque at any Cornwall Council Information Service. If the 21st/28th day for payment falls on a weekend or bank holiday, payment will be accepted at the same rate on the following working day.

### What happens if a Penalty Notice is not paid?

If a Penalty Notice is not paid within the 28 days of issue (as per the dates listed on the Penalty Notice), Cornwall Council will progress the matter to the Magistrates' Court, for the offence of failing to ensure regular attendance, NOT for failure to pay the fine.

If found guilty:

- under section 444(1), it can result in the parent being fined up to £1000
- under section 444(1A), it can result in the parent being fined up to £2,500 and/ or receiving a custodial sentence of up to 3 months

Cornwall Council may also apply for costs incurred in taking the matter to court.

#### **Contact us**

Education Welfare Service

educationwelfare@cornwall.gov.uk 01872 323 400

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If you would like this information in another format or language please contact:

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### **IMPORTANT**



For safeguarding purposes children should not be wearing smart watches in school.









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Dates for the diary!

Tuesday 7th October	Reception & Nursery Open Afternoon – 2026 intake 2pm			
Wednesday 8th October	SEND Parent Workshop 1 2:30pm			
Friday 10th October	Wear yellow for World Mental Health Day			
Tuesday 14th October	Reception & Nursery Open Afternoon – 2026 intake 2pm			
Thursday 16th October	Hearing Screening – Year 1			
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	County Dodgeball competition			
Monday 3rd November	<ul> <li>INSET Day – school closed to pupils</li> <li>Community Week</li> <li>Individual and family photos – Class Photography</li> <li>Beacon Bonfire Celebrations</li> </ul>			
Tuesday 4th November – Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> November				
Wednesday 5th November				
Friday 9th November	Barnardo's Healthy Relationships Workshop – Y6 pm			



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### Dates for the diary!

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	<ul> <li>NO CLUB THIS WEEK</li> <li>Anti-Bullying Week – Odd Socks Day</li> <li>Parent and Teacher Meetings – 3:30pm-6pm</li> </ul>		
Tuesday 11th November	Parent and Teacher Meetings – 3:30pm-6pm		
Wednesday 12th November	SEND Parent Workshop 2 - 2pm-2:30pm		
Thursday 13th November	<ul> <li>Barnardo's Healthy Relationships Workshop – Y6 pm</li> <li>Flu immunisation – Reception – Y6 inclusive</li> <li>Children in Need</li> <li>KS2 Science Roadshow Performance – AI</li> </ul>		
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November			
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> November			
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception & Nursery Open Afternoon – 2026 intake 2pm		
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent Workshop – Reading		
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Children make decorations at home for School Christmas     Tree		



Tuesday 16th December

Wednesday 17th December

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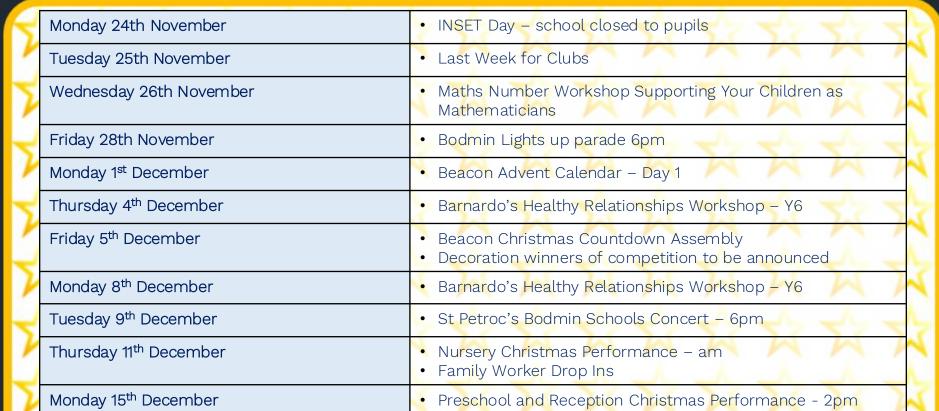
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Preschool and Reception Christmas Performance – 9:30am

KS2 Christmas Concert @ St Petroc's Church – 5pm

ARB. Y1 and Y2 Christmas Peformance – 9:30am

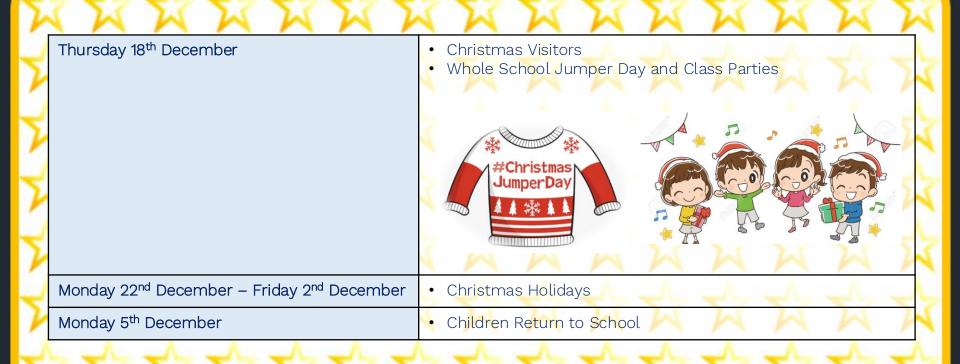
Y1 and 2 Christmas Performance – 2pm





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#### This week's golden hoody winners





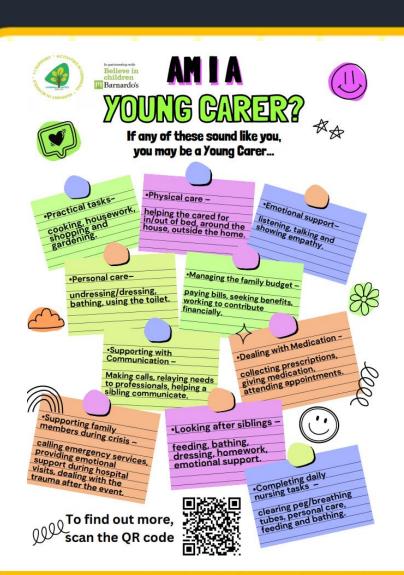
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**Young Carers** 





If you believe that your child is a young carer then please speak to our admin team and they will advise you as to how we can help you in school.

Or you can contact Cornwall Young Carers directly on their freephone number 01736 756655, or by emailing <a href="mailto:kernowyoungcarers@barnardos.org.uk">kernowyoungcarers@barnardos.org.uk</a>.

Cornwall Young Carers complete great work with the young carers in our county by aiming to support them to self-manage caring responsibilities, providing information, advice and guidance over the phone and working with schools.

They also provide direct 1-1 work with Young Carers and Young Adult Carers as well as offering activities on a regular basis and during the school holidays.



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Extra notifications







Open from 8:00 – 8:30 daily

(Booking required)

Our free breakfast club operates during term time and is available

Our free breakfast club operates during term time and is available to all pupils. Starting at 8:00 AM until the start of school we offer the children a selection of healthy breakfast options such as toast, the children a selection of healthy breakfast options such as toast, cereals, fruit, water, and milk. The children will then have the opportunity to enjoy reading games puzzles and other to activities.





FREE for all children

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Shine brightly







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DO YOU WANT TO HAVE **YOUR VOICE HEARD?** 

NHS ENGLAND, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF **EDUCATION ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO IMPROVE** THE LIVES OF YOUNG CARERS.



#### **LED BY YOUNG CARERS!**

WE ARE HOSTING A SERIES OF WORKSHOPS TO **HEAR YOUNG CARER VOICES ON THESE DATES:** 10<sup>™</sup> SEPTEMBER 4-5PM & 5.30-6.30PM 16™ SEPTEMBER 4-5PM & 5.30-6.30PM 17<sup>™</sup> SEPTEMBER - 4-5PM



THE INFORMATION WE HEAR WILL HELP **MAKE REAL CHANGES TO THE LIVES OF** YOUNG CARERS ACROSS ENGLAND.

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#### End of day pickups

We all experience problems from time to time collecting at the end of school day, the long queue, stuck in a traffic jam etc, so if you find the playground empty when collecting your child at the end of the day, please collect them from wraparound - situated in Spaceship class via the Y2 playground.



#### **IMPORTANT**

Please can we remind all parents do not park, during drop off and collection, on the yellow Zigzags outside the school. This is for the safety of your children. Please help us keep our children safe.



#### A Polite Request.



If you need to get a message to your child during the school day, please call the main office before 2:30pm to ensure the message is passed on.

### IMPORTANT REQUEST

Can we please ask parents when collecting children from school that you do not park in the bays above the bungalows. We had one resident today that could not park her car near her bungalow and due to being disabled this caused problems for her. Thank you for being respectful to our neighbours.









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### **IMPORTANT**

Polite reminder – There are no staff on duty in the mornings until 8:30am. Children arriving before that time are very welcome to attend our free Breakfast Club but should not be on the grounds otherwise for their own safety.



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# Nursery



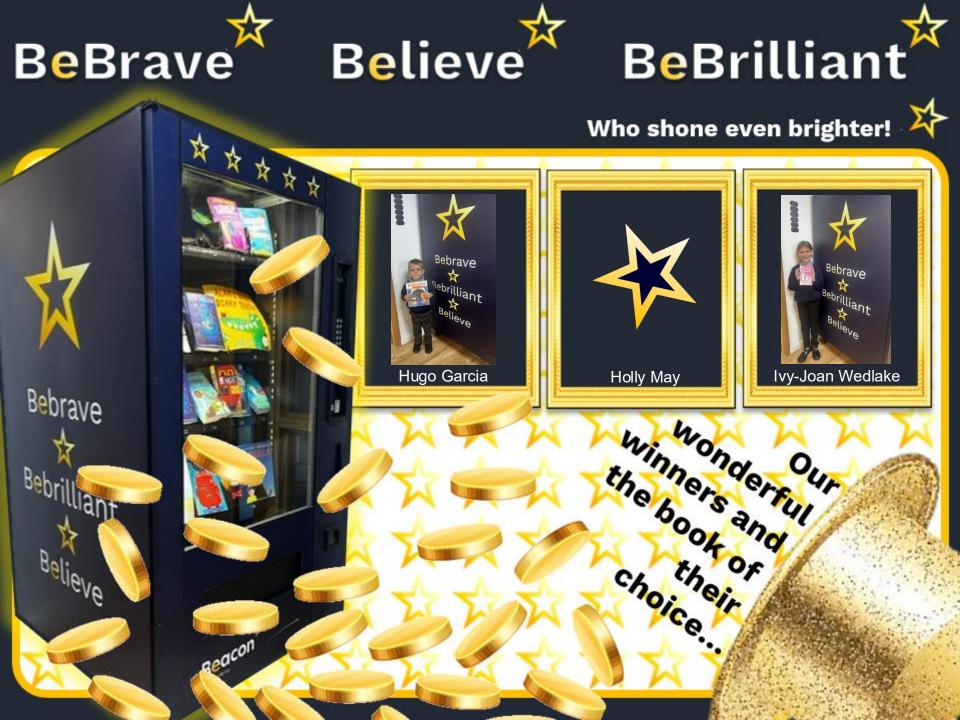
Can we please remind all our Nursery families to be ready at our entrance for your child's start time.

When staff have to come out and let people in, it leaves the Nursery understaffed.

Thank you for your understanding.

Start times are 8.30am or 9.00am and 12pm for afternoon sessions.









ChatHealth Parent Line 0-5

**TEXT 07312 263 423** 

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**ChatHealth** Parent Line 5-19

TEXT 07312 263 499

**ChatHealth Young** People 11-19



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SCHOOL MENU - WEEK COMMENCING

### Monday 29th September

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>	Chicken in cheese sauce pasta bake, peas and carrots Tomato and Basil Pasta(v) Fruity yoghurt desserts	Carrots and peas Quorn pie (v) Chocolate chip cookie	Roast Turkey with seasonal vegetables and roast potatoes vegetable Roast (v)  Banana and custard  Allergens: 2,4,7,	green beans and cauliflower meat free balls (v)	Various puddings  Allergens: 2,5,7,
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Please ensure you are pre booking your dinners via the MyEd/PlusPay app.