# Beacon



Hello Beacon families,

It's been another exciting week at school! Our children are settled, smiling, and diving into learning with enthusiasm.

This week, each year group has been introduced to their new English texts, and the creative hooks have been amazing! From Viking training to beach adventures and cavern explorations, their new stories have certainly brought their stories to life. We can't wait to see the writing that follows!

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### Top story this week



Next week marks the start of our extracurricular opportunities. We are incredibly proud of the wide range that we have to offer our children, from cheerleading to French, there's something for everyone. We're especially looking forward to welcoming families to our community choir, we hope that you'll come along to connect, sing, and share some joy together.

Thank you to everyone who attended our welcome meetings. If you missed yours, all the information will be available on our website soon. They have also been sent out via email to you.

Our reception children have now completed their second full week in school; they have settled in so well and are already thriving! If your child is due to start school next year, please keep an eye on our social media and website for details on school tours and open afternoons – we'd love to show you what life at Beacon is all about.

This term, we're running a series of family workshops to help you understand how your children learn and how you can support them at home. First is our Early Reading Workshop, where you'll get to take part in a phonics lesson alongside your child. We're also excited to welcome the Cognition and Learning Team, who will be running a series of family cafes focused on supporting children with dyslexic tendencies, these will focus on reading, spelling, and working memory strategies. Keep an eye out for dates and registration details coming your way very soon.

Wishing you a lovely weekend when it arrives.













	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reception	Copying simple patterns in Maths.	Who is the best storyteller?	Making bread.	Funky French Thursday!	Drop Everything and Read!
Year 1	Starting our first talk for writing story! The Sound Collector!		New RE Unit! Let's learn how they world was created! PE Day!	Funky French Thursdays!	Drop Everything and Read!
Year 2	Learning about kindness.	Let's learn to tell the story of The Gingerbread Man.	Counting to 100.	Beacon visits await.	Drop everything and read.

















	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 3	Introducing our new Talk for Writing Text Thor!	Science: Rocks and Fossils	Math Counting and identifying	PE Day Come to school dressed in your PE kits.	Drop Everything and Read! Are you ready to quiz?
Year 4	Introducing our new Talk for Writing Text Perseus and the Gorgon's Head	History: The Ancient Greeks	Talk for Writing Reading as a Reader Diving deeper into the text!	PE Day  Come to school  dressed in your PE  kits.	Drop Everything and Read! Are you ready to quiz?
Year 5	Amazing Geography  What happens in the lower course?	PE Day  Come to school dressed  in your PE kits.	Introducing our new Talk for Writing Text Fa's Dying Words	Beacon Visits and Funky French Thursdays	Drop Everything and Read
Year 6	New Talk for Writing unit	PSHE	PE	New art unit	Drop Everything and Read
Cosmonauts	PSHE Zones of regulation	Amazing Art Treasure maps	Sensational Science Sensory science with water beads	History Pirate clothing	Cooking Fruit boats

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EYFS 'Highlight of the Week'





#### Nursery

This week in nursery we have enjoyed the story 'Owl Babies'. We have been looking at the story independently with the story props and creating our own owls by gluing and sticking shapes.

#### Pre-School

We are so excited to wear our new cycle helmets on our balance bikes. Growing in confidence whilst developing our gross motor skills and keeping ourselves safe.



#### Reception

This week in Reception we have been immersing ourselves in our Talk for Writing text 'The Little Red Hen'. We have learnt the story using a story map and actions. During our independent learning we have made red hens using play dough and various resources. We have also enjoyed retelling the story using the props. We can't wait to continue to immerse ourselves next week by making a bread!





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KS1 'Highlight of the Week'





#### Year 1

This week, we have been artists and been learning all about how to create a self-portrait of ourselves. All the children in year 1 have worked amazingingly hard learning all about primary, secondary colours and the art of colour mixing in order to get the right shade of a colour we needed for our creations. It's been enjoyable to see the children express themselves within their art creations. Well done year 1! Keep shining brightly!

#### Year 2

This week, year 2 have been learning all about the importance of maps and how we use them as geographers. We studied a map of Bodmin and spotted all the human (manmade) and physical (natural) features that we could find. We designed symbols to make a key and then created our very own maps with our symbols thinking about where we live in relation to these places.









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Lower KS2 'Highlight of the Week'





#### Year 3

It's been a brilliant week here in year 3. We have explored a variety of rocks, soil and fossils – investigating the properties through touch and observation. We also had an incredible afternoon, taking part in Viking training – preparing us to learn all about Thor in our new Talk for Writing unit.

Keep shining brightly year 3, you have been amazing.

#### Year 4

This week, we have been artists and have been learning all about cubism, tessellation, overlapping and distortion to name a few!
Children loved distorting pictures of their own faces! We then created collages of St Michaels Mount, using everything we have learned!

We have also been using fantastic vocabulary in our poems and been practising our times tables lots. What a great week year 4. We can't wait for the next.







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Upper KS2 'Highlight of the Week'





#### Year 5

What a fantastically busy week we have had in year 5: children have amazed with their poetry, creating their own examples linked to a hunter and a bear; in Reading they continue to love Blackberry Blue and can't wait to find out what happens next; in Maths they have shown a great understanding of decimal numbers; and in Geography they have explored how a river changes between the Upper and Lower Course. However, our highlight definitely came on Thursday, with children exploring Carnglaze Caverns as their hook for our Talk for Writing text.

Thank you, year 5 for everything you continue to do.

#### Year 6

Year 6 had a brilliant week! We had an incredible time at Fistral Beach on Wednesday! The children worked together to dig holes in the sand that were 5 feet wide and 5 feet deep. We enjoyed some sunshine and had so much fun in the sand.

We are looking forward to another fantastic week of learning and fun!







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Cosmonauts 'Highlight of the Week'





#### Cosmonauts

It has been another great week this week, continuing with our learning about pirates. We prepared paper by dabbing tea over it to make into treasure maps, made our own boats out of foil and tested their buoyancy, found out about pirate jobs, explored sea foam and made fruit cutlasses. We have also been retelling and immersing ourselves into our class story 'The Night Pirates'.

#### Core word of the week











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### Who has SHONE BRIGHTLY this week?



#### **Having high expectations**

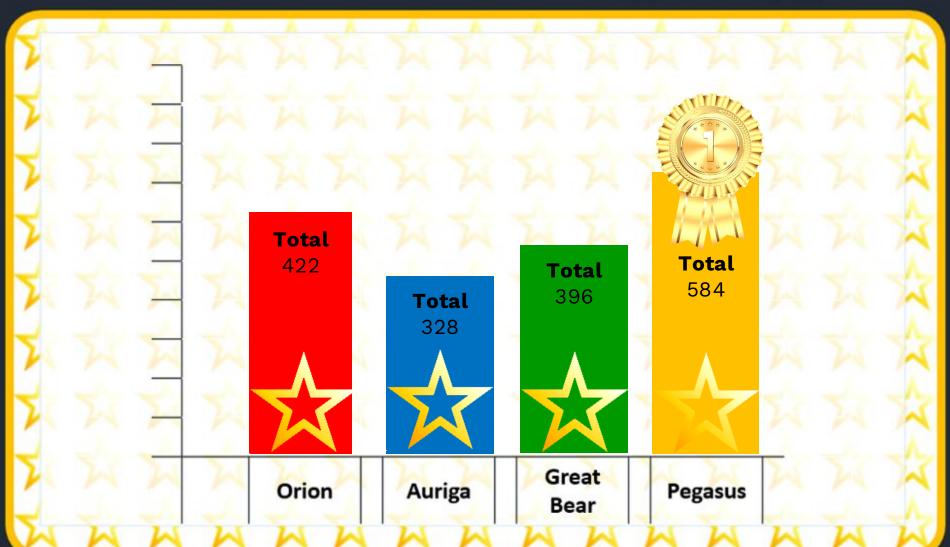
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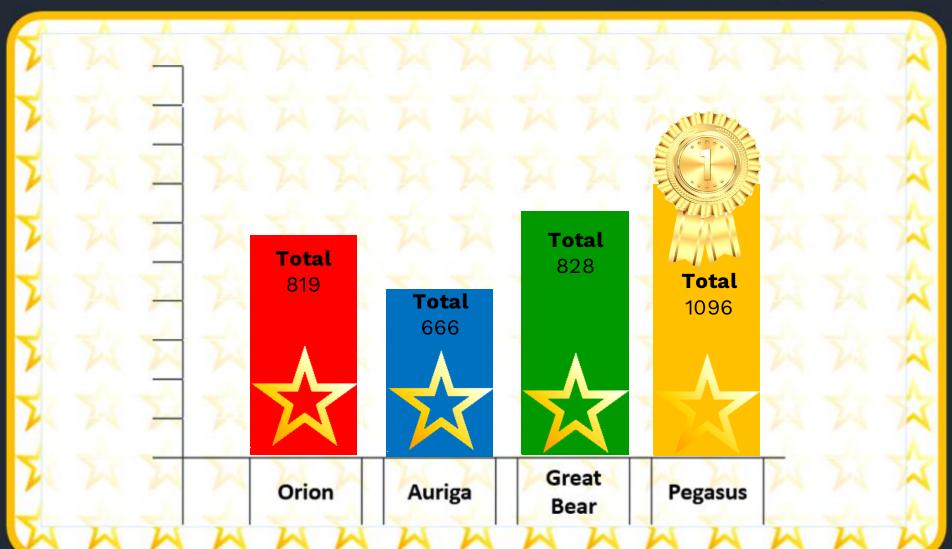


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#### **Attendance Information**







#### **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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### 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

www.supportincornwall.org.uk/families www.facebook.com/TFFCornwall









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

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e: customerservices@cornwall.gov.uk t: 0300 1234 100



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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!

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į	Monday 22nd September	After School Clubs begin				
Wednesday 1st October		Reception & Year 1 Parent Early Reading Workshop				
	Thursday 2nd October	<ul> <li>Family Worker drop ins</li> <li>Y4 TfW hook – Truro Museum</li> <li>Music Theatre Workshop – KS2</li> </ul>				
	Tuesday 7th October	Reception & Nursery Open Afternoon – 2026 intake 2pm				
	Wednesday 8th October	SEND Parent Workshop 1 2:30pm				
1	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				



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### Dates for the diary!

5	Monday 3rd November	INSET Day – school closed to pupils		
	Tuesday 4th November – Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Community Week		
Wednesday 5th November		<ul> <li>Individual and family photos – Class Photography</li> <li>Beacon Bonfire Celebrations</li> </ul>		
Į	Friday 9th November	Barnardo's Healthy Relationships Workshop – Y6 pm		
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> </ul>		
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November		Children in Need		
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> November		KS2 Science Roadshow Performance – Al		
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> November • Reception & Nursery Open A		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		



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### Dates for the diary!

Monday 24th November	INSET Day – school closed to pupils				
Tuesday 25th November	Last Week for Clubs				
Wednesday 26th November	Maths Number Workshop Supporting Your Children as     Mathematicians				
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Beacon Advent Calendar – Day 1				
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Barnardo's Healthy Relationships Workshop – Y6      Beacon Christmas Countdown Assembly     Decoration winners of competition to be announced				
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December					
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Barnardo's Healthy Relationships Workshop – Y6				
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	St Petroc's Bodmin Schools Concert – 6pm				
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	<ul> <li>Nursery Christmas Performance – am</li> <li>Family Worker Drop Ins</li> </ul>				
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Preschool and Reception Christmas Performance - 2pm				
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	<ul> <li>Preschool and Reception Christmas Performance – 9:30am</li> <li>Y1 and 2 Christmas Performance – 2pm</li> <li>KS2 Christmas Concert @ St Petroc's Church – 5pm</li> </ul>				
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	ARB, Y1 and Y2 Christmas Peformance – 9:30am				



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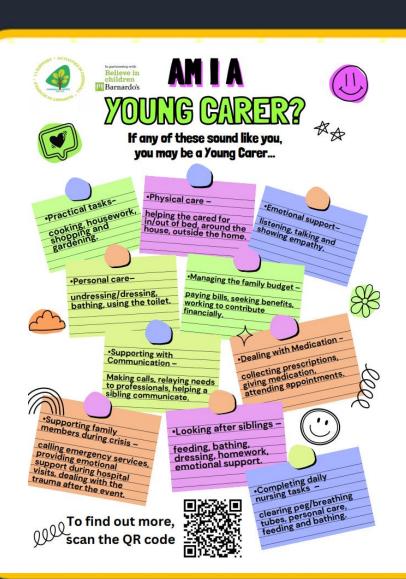
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1	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	<ul><li>Christmas Visitors</li><li>Whole School Jumper Day and Class Parties</li></ul>	
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1	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Christmas Holidays	
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1	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Children Return to School	

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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.

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#### **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

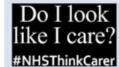


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BY CONTACTING THE EMAIL ADDRESS BELOW:

ENGLAND.NHSTHINKCARER@NHS.NET







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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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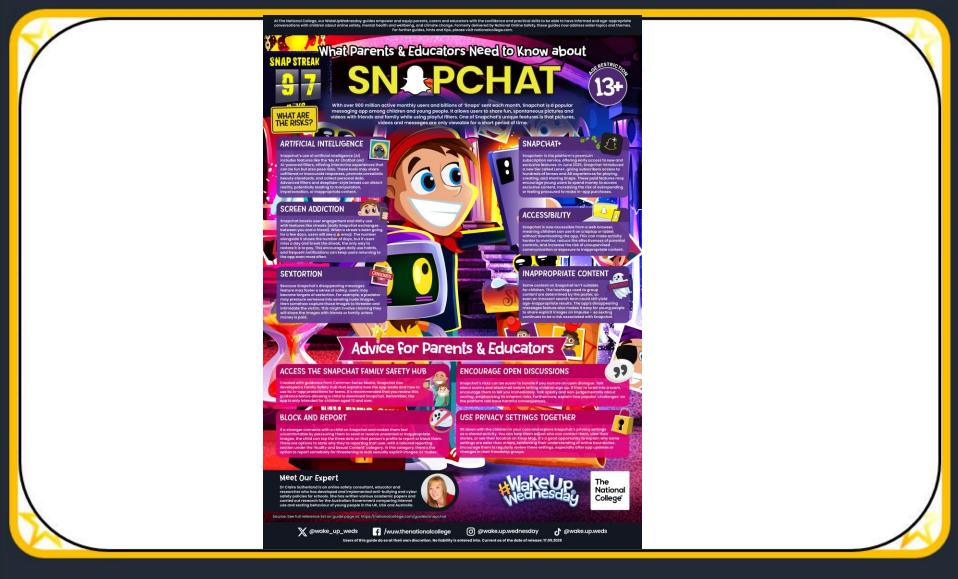


### **IMPORTANT**

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



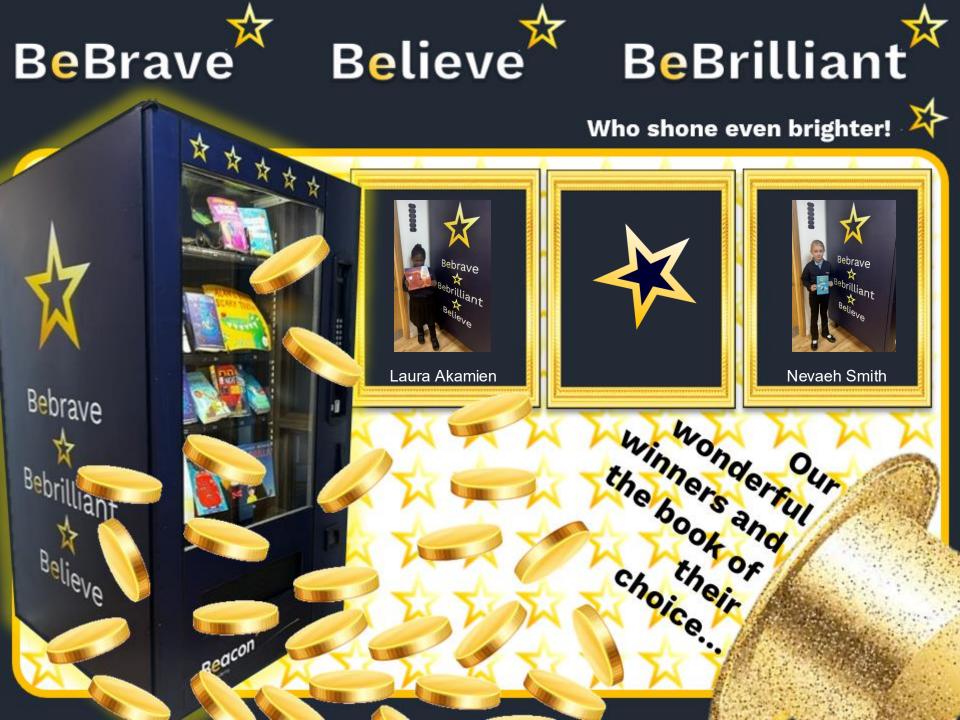
Can we please remind all our Nursery families to be ready at our entrance for your child's start time.

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



TEXT 07312 263 096



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SCHOOL MENU - WEEK COMMENCING

### Monday 22nd September

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	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	· · · · ·	
Macaroni cheese (V) with carrots and peas Tomato and basil pasta(v) Fruity yoghurt dessert  Allergens: 2,4,7,	Beef Stew Veggie Stew (v)	Roast gammon with seasonal vegetables and roast potatoes Vegetable roast (v)  peach crumble and custard  Allergens:2,4,7	Chicken curry and rice with carrots and peas Vegetable curry (v)  Vanilla ice cream  Allergens: 2,4,7	Fish fingers with chips and sweetcorn Vegetable fingers (v) Various puddings Allergens: 2,5,7,	
		1	our dinners via the	9	



Please ensure you are pre booking your dinners via the MyEd/PlusPay app.