

Top story this week



Today has been all about our amazing year 6 children. This morning, they entertained their families with an outstanding performance that included sharing some of their favourite memories of their time here at Beacon. It has been an absolute pleasure to watch them grow during their time here. Collectively, they are the most incredible year group, however their individual uniqueness is what makes them so very special with each child bringing their own flavour to Beacon. There wasn't a dry eye in the house, and we look forward to seeing them flourish as they take the next step in their lives.

This week our year 1, 6 and 2 children have had the time of their lives on their city adventures. Huge thanks to all the adults who have once again given above and beyond to make these experiences possible. They could not have spoken more highly about the children during their time away, they certainly did you proud. A huge thank you to our parent helpers who endured the heat and lack of sleep to support each visit.

Today you will have received your children's annual report for this academic year. We hope that you are as proud of your children as we are. In addition, our year 6 children received their end-of-year assessment results, with each and every one of them outperforming our expectations.

This week you also received news about our staffing structure for the next academic year. We are delighted to welcome our new teachers to Beacon next week; you can find out more about them in our newsletter below.

Everyone is excited to get to know their new children next week and the preparations are well underway for the legendary Beacon Fest.....it's going to be amazing!

Enjoy the weekend when it arrives, it's going to be a hot one!

Kaye

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A huge welcome to the **teachers** joining our team at Beacon! 



Hello Beacon, I am Miss Bragg. I am so excited to be joining the team as a new teacher in Year One!

I am passionate about all things reading, baking, and music. Fun fact about me is I have been part of Bodmin Town Band since childhood, and I love being part of this special area of Cornwall - I cannot wait to be even more involved with the community from September.

Looking forward to seeing you next week.

Jodie



Hello everyone! My name is Laura Ellis, and I'm so excited to be joining Beacon Academy in September as the new Year 4 Supernovas teacher, teaching Monday-Wednesday alongside Ms Fox teaching Thursday-Friday. I feel very lucky to be part of such a welcoming and dedicated school, and I can't wait to get to know all the children and families in the next couple of weeks and into September.

Outside of the classroom, I love spending time at the beach or anywhere near water, enjoying good pub food, and running around after my energetic one-year-old, Freddie! I am a massive Cornish enthusiast and will never say no to a pasty or cream tea! I love teaching, especially Maths and P.E, and have taught Year 3 - Year 6.

I'm really looking forward to a fun, exciting and memorable year ahead with the Supernovas — it's going to be a great adventure! I hope I get to meet lots of families on the playground in the next couple of weeks before the end of summer term to say hello!

Laura

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My name is Mrs Medway






I'm so happy to be joining your wonderful school as teacher of the Aviators! Having grown up in Cornwall, I am passionate about celebrating our amazing county and the people who live here. I will be most excited to teach writing and to discover the Aviators' favourite new books. When I'm not in school you'll find me exploring Cornwall's hidden treasures looking for adventure. I'm really looking forward to meeting you all next week!

Best wishes

Sarah



Reception and KS1

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Reception |  |  |  |  |  |
| Year 1 | Growth Mindset Week – Let's explore our new class and playground. | Growth Mindset Week – how do I use my growth mindset? | Let's get our stalls ready for Beacon fest. | Beacon Fest – sparkle and shine! | Beacon Fest fun. |
| Year 2 | Growth Mindset Week – Visit our new classes! | Growth Mindset Week! | Growth Mindset Week! Prepare for Beacon Fest! | Beacon Fest! Let's Party! | Beacon Fest! |

KS2 and ARB

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Year 3 | Growth Mindset Week – Visit our new classes! | Growth Mindset Week! | Growth Mindset Week! Prepare for Beacon Fest! | Beacon Fest! Let's Party! | Beacon Fest! |
| Year 4 | Growth Mindset Week – Visit our new classes | Growth Mindset Week! | Growth Mindset Week! Prepare for Beacon Fest! | Beacon Fest! Let's Party! | Beacon Fest! |
| Year 5 | Growth Mindset Week – Visit our new classes | Growth Mindset Week! | Growth Mindset Week! Prepare for Beacon Fest! | Beacon Fest! Let's Party! | Beacon Fest! |
| Year 6 | Meeting our new teachers – Mrs Hebden and Mrs Sherwood | Super Science Experiment – How animals evolve overtime | Preparing for Beacon Fest | Beacon Fest! Let's Party | Beacon Fest! |
| Cosmonauts | PSHE | Amazing Art | Sensational Science | Beacon Fest | Computing |

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EYFS 'Highlight of the Week'



Nursery

This week in Nursery we have introduced the story 'Dear Zoo'. During our 'wake and shake' times we have been dancing and explored moving in various ways being different types of animals.

Pre-School

This week in Pre-school the children were so excited to see that the broad bean seeds that we had planted during our 'When Will It Be Spring' topic were ready to pick. Look at how many we collected. They tasted delicious too!.

Reception

What a fantastic last week in Reception. We have all been super story tellers and invented our own stories using the story stones. The adults have all been blown away with the amazing stories the children have invented. We ended the week with a picnic and movie with our Teddy Bear's from home. Thank you for a wonderful year and good luck in Year 1!



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KS1 'Highlight of the Week'



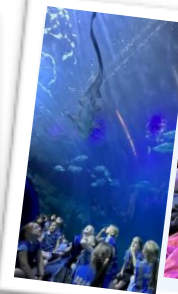
Year 1

Year 1 had the most exciting city adventure on Monday when we got to visit Truro. We learnt about the history of Cornwall in the museum, where we saw a model of a China clay pit and found out that China clay is used for making paper and paint. We also saw some humungous tapestries in the cathedral that told the creation story from the Bible. We finished the day with dinner at Hubbox, it was yummy!



Year 2

This week, Year 2 have had the most wonderful time on their Plymouth residential! We were fascinated by the synagogue and really enjoyed checking out the fascinating exhibits in The Box Museum! We had a great time bowling and later, enjoyed a lovely meal and tour of the aquarium! Sleeping in the aquarium was a brilliant experience and one that we will always remember! We also loved our 'Tamar Bridge' workshop and were excited to see how it fit into our recent DT unit 'Stable Structures'. Well done Year 2, time to rest before an amazing 'Growth Mindset' week! Super stars!



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Lower KS2 'Highlight of the Week'



Year 3

Year 3 have been amazing this week! We kicked off our final week in Year 3 by learning all about volcano which links in our most recent writing unit 'Escape to Pompeii'. Following that, we enjoyed our final day together before moving to our new teachers/ year group with a discoverers vs pioneers water fight on the field! Year 3 you have had an amazing year and all the adults in year 3 are so proud of each and every one of you! Keep it up!

Year 4

Year 4, you have been amazing all year and we are so sad it has come to an end. This week, children have loved creating art projects and worked so hard on their final pieces. Alongside this, they have been working to finish off everything before having their treat morning today.

Thank you Year 4. We all know you have so much potential moving forward to Year 5. We can't wait to hear about all your successes.



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Upper KS2 'Highlight of the Week'



Year 5

Year 5, you have been brilliant. This has been an incredible final week together. We are so excited for your year 6 journey and are very proud of the progress you have made. Every single activity and moment has been amazing to watch you all grow.

We have ended our year 5 adventure exploring living things – we dissected flowers and researched the Lifecycle of a variety of living things. Keep shining brightly year 5 into year 6 and beyond!

Year 6

Thank you Year 6. It has been a pleasure getting to work with each and every one of you throughout the year. This week has been awesome. Firstly, London was brilliant. Highlights definitely include Twickenham, the Tower of London and seeing Wicked at the West End. Coming back to school on Thursday, we were greeted with the children's amazing SATs results. They all did brilliantly, and we hope they are proud of their hard work. Finally, today we officially say goodbye to them in their leaver's assembly. We all wish them the best for the future and know they will continue to shine brightly.

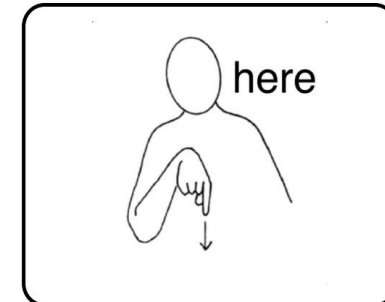
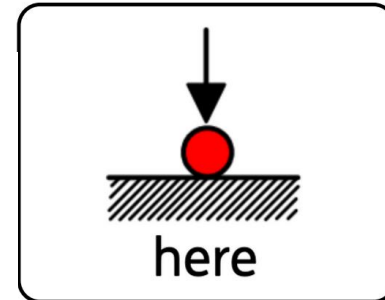




Cosmonauts

What a wonderful sunny week, with lots of outdoor learning! We have used chalk paints to decorate paper plates, gone on a nature scavenger hunt in the field, made dens for bears and enjoyed lots of water play to cool us down. It has been so lovely to see all the imaginative and role play games happening this week and to watch everyone work so beautifully together.

Core word of the week

























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Who has **SHONE BRIGHTLY** this week?

Super reader

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| Space Voyagers (YR) |  | Jacca Whitehead | Pioneers (Y3) |  |  |
| Space Travellers (YR) |  | Rose Dalley | Discoverers (Y3) |  | Ebbie Smith |
| Space Adventurers (Y1) |  | Locryn Eddy | Supernovas (Y4) |  |  |
| Space Explorers (Y1) |  | Amelia Gillett | Constellations (Y4) |  |  |
| Spaceships (Y2) |  | Whole Class for an Excellent Residential! | Comets (Y5) |  | Charlie Stevens |
| Rockets (Y2) |  | Whole Class for an Excellent Residential! | Meteors (Y5) |  |  |
| Cosmonauts (ARB) |  | Samuel Rawling | Aviators (Y6) |  | Jason Lin |
| Shine |  |  | Astronomers (Y6) |  | Ruby Long / Orren Fox |
| | | | Astronauts (Y6) |  | Molly Spencer-Jones |

Attendance Information

How is a Penalty Notice paid?

Penalty notices can be paid by card by calling the office on 01872 324201. 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, New County Hall, Treyew Road, Truro, TR1 3AY

educationwelfare@cornwall.gov.uk

01872 324298

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

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Treyew Road, Truro, TR1 3AY

e: customerservices@cornwall.gov.uk

t: 0300 1234 100



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for Families

Penalty Notices

A guide to Education Welfare Services
for parents and carers



 www.cornwall.gov.uk/togetherforfamilies

Attendance Information

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 10 school sessions/5 days or more within any rolling 10 school week* period during term time, without authorisation from the school. This can include unauthorised absence for a holiday.
- Unauthorised absence of 10 or more sessions/5 days within any rolling 10 school week* period where a parent fails to provide an explanation for the absence, or where an explanation is provided but the school consider it insufficient to authorise the absence.
- Unauthorised lateness of 10 school sessions within any rolling 10 school week* period, whereby a child arrives at school after the registers have closed.

NB a penalty notice can be issued for any combination of the above reasons where there are 10 sessions/5 school days or more of unauthorised absence within any rolling 10 school week period. The unauthorised absence can be consecutive or non-consecutive and can span over two terms (including between academic years).

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.

* a school week is any week in which a school meets at least once.

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?

As of the 19th of August 2024, a penalty notice is £80 if paid within 21 days. If the fine is not paid in 21 days, it will rise to £160 if paid within 28 days of being issued.

If a second penalty notice is issued to the same parent for the same child within a three-year rolling period, the fine will automatically rise to £160 with no option to pay the lower rate of £80.

If a parent then commits a third offence in a three-year rolling period, Cornwall Council will need to consider other enforcement optional options available. This could include prosecution under section 444(1) or section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996. If found guilty a parent would receive a criminal record and substantial fine.

Penalty Notices are issued per parent, per child.

Therefore, if there are two parents and two children, the fines will total £320 if paid within 21 days or £640 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days (or for a second offence).

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 324298**, or email educationwelfare@cornwall.gov.uk

Dates for the diary!

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| Monday 14 th July | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growth Mindset Week • Reception settling in sessions – 9-11a.m. • Reception home visits – p.m. |
| Tuesday 15 th July | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception settling in sessions – 8:30-11:30a.m. • Reception home visits – p.m. • Pre-school graduation ceremony – 2pm |
| Wednesday 16 th July | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMPH – Y6 parent transition workshop |
| Thursday 17 th July | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception settling in sessions 8:30-11:30a.m. • Reception home visits – p.m. • Nursery & Preschool settling in sessions – p.m. Y2, 3, 4 & 5 • Growth Mindset Camp |
| Friday 18 th July | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception settling in sessions 8:30-11:30a.m. • Reception home visits – p.m. |
| Monday 21 st July | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 Prom |
| Tuesday 22 nd July | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beacon Rainbow Run |
| Wednesday 23 rd July | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shine Brightly Assembly – achievements this year & 3 B's awards |

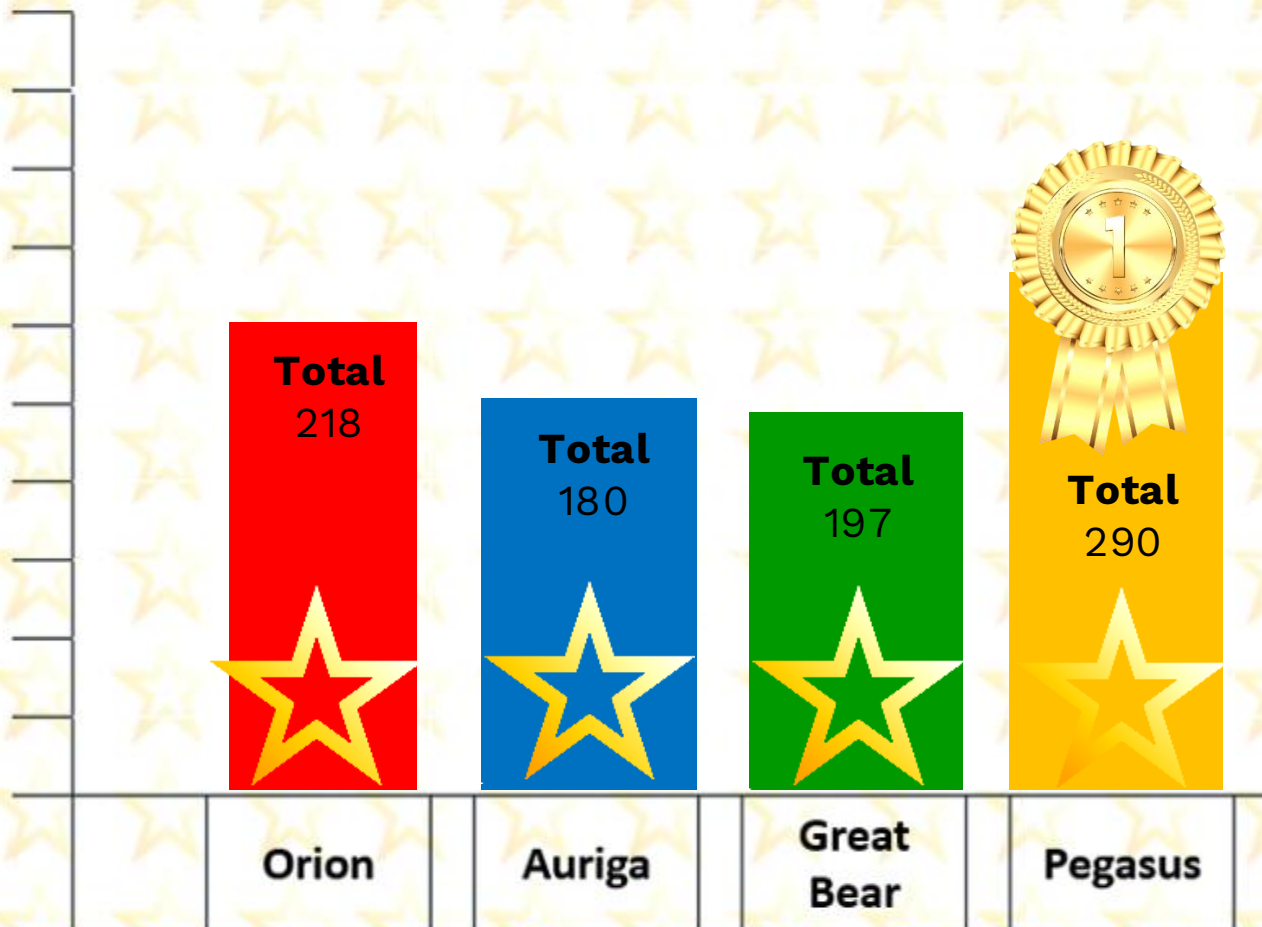


SUMMER HOLIDAYS!



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Extra notifications 



BEACON Breakfast club



Open from 8:00 – 8:30 daily
(Booking required)

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, 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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TIME MOVE Holiday Programme



SUMMER 2025

- Activities including water sports, forest schools, circus skills, day trips and lots more - for children aged 5 to 16
- Every session includes a healthy meal for all children
- Funded places for ALL children eligible for benefits related free school meals

Activities are taking place across Cornwall during the Summer holidays from 28th July - 29th August

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SAT
26 JULY

SPORTS IN THE PARK 11AM - 3PM
BODMIN MARKET 9AM - 2PM



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FREE MINI GOLF

SAT
2 AUGUST

SAT
9 AUGUST

FUSION X BODMIN 11AM - 3PM
WORKSHOPS & STUNTSHOWS
BODMIN SKATE PARK

CIRCUS SKILLS AT NARISA LAWN
SWAMP CIRCUS TRUST BODMIN CARNIVAL

SAT
16 AUGUST

SAT
23 AUGUST

WILD WONDERS 11AM - 3PM
ANIMAL ENCOUNTER DAY, FREE FACE PAINTING

MOVIES IN THE PARK 11AM - 8PM
BODMIN MARKET 9AM - 2PM

SAT
30 AUGUST

FREE
PARKING
AT ALL EVENTS



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SATURDAY 26TH JULY
11.00AM TO 3.00PM

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**SPORTS
IN THE PARK**

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FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY
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THE CROSSOVER OF
CULTURE AND CHAOS



Music
workshops
demos

Refreshments

11am - 4pm
9th August 2025
Priory Skate
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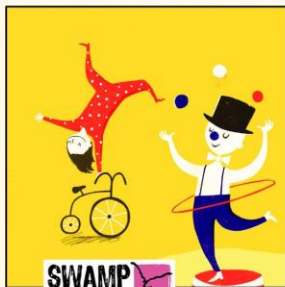
Free
Parking



CIRCUS FUN FOR EVERYONE!

11 AM- 3PM

FREE PARKING
BOUNCY CASTLES
FACE PAINTING
AND MORE



SWAMP
CIRCUS TRUST



CIRCUS COMEDY
SHOW 11AM

CIRCUS SKILLS
WORKSHOP 12PM

Narisa Lawn, Priory Park, Bodmin



WILD WONDERS

ANIMAL ENCOUNTER DAY

PRIORY PARK

11AM-3PM

FREE
PARKING



WILD SCIENCE



SCREECH OWL SANCTUARY



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BODMIN TOWN COUNCIL PRESENTS
MOVIES IN THE PARK

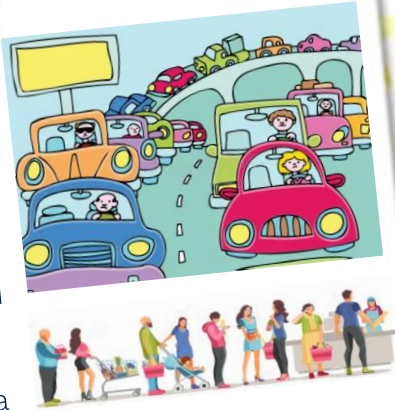
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| 30TH AUGUST 2025 11AM - 8PM | PRIORY PARK LAWNS BODMIN |
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End of day pickups

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

We continue to be so proud of how well our children are responding to their learning and the progress they are making. In order to do this, it is so important that our children come to school with a positive attitude to learning in the correct school uniform and on time. Please talk to our team if we can help you with any aspect of this.



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.



Cornwall
Wildlife Trust



The Mental Health Support Team warmly
invite you to attend...

Wild Wellbeing

During the summer holidays MHST, in collaboration with Natural England, Cornwall Wildlife Trust and National Trust, would like you to join us on a FREE Wild Wellbeing session at various locations across Cornwall.

This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall to help understand and support emotional and mental wellbeing.

Please book EACH child on to a session

Morning and afternoon sessions available at:

Golitha Falls

Dipping Pond, Goss Moor

Tehidy Woods

Penrose Estate

Heamoor Primary School

Hayle Family Hub

Each session will last approx. 2 hours

To request a place, complete the online form or scan the QR code provided:

<https://forms.office.com/e/NRrN3NXSvH>



Please note: Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis. If you are allocated a place and cannot attend, please let us know so we can allocate your space to someone else



Follow us on Facebook for updates and upcoming events:
Cornwall Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

The NHS Mental Health Support Team invites you to book your place on our: Year 6 Transition Workshop

This is an hour long session aimed at parents and carers. The session covers how to help and support young people with the transition to secondary school.

Please note this group is open to parents/carers of children in Year 6 only

Upcoming Sessions:
Beacon Ace Academy
please report to reception

Wednesday 2 July at 2pm

Wednesday 16 July at 3:15pm

To request a place, please
complete the online form or
scan the QR code provided:
<https://forms.office.com/e/E5Z8kuH1q9>



Sign up will close on Wednesday 25 June at 5pm

Extra notifications 



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.



Extra notifications



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.

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

AI-ENABLED SCAMS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Artificial intelligence (AI) is quickly becoming a widely used tool, with lots of positive applications being discussed and developed. Sadly, however, as with most technology tools, there are those who will seek to use it for malicious and dishonest practices, with children and other vulnerable groups particularly at risk.

PHISHING EMAILS: BETTER & QUICKER

Phishing scams - emails designed to trick people into handing over login details or money - are not new, and do not rely on AI. However, AI has made them far more dangerous. Criminals can now generate highly convincing emails at speed, mimicking an organisation's tone, branding and language with ease. This makes phishing attempts harder to spot, especially for young people who may not yet know what to look out for.

ONLINE MARKETPLACE FRAUD

Online marketplaces are now a common way to buy and sell everything, from second-hand clothes to cars. Criminals are exploiting this by using AI to enhance or completely fake product photos and videos, and pressure buyers into paying deposits or full amounts upfront. These tactics are becoming more common, making it vital to pause, check, and verify the sale before parting with any money.

VOICE IMPERSONATION

AI can now realistically impersonate a person's voice when given a small sample of someone's speech patterns. This is especially concerning where voice has been essential to an alternative to password-based logins. One such example was the use of AI to impersonate a person's voice to trick a 15-year-old into convincing her parents she had been kidnapped and elicit a ransom.

EMPLOYMENT SCAMS

Using AI, criminals can create fake online profiles that seem completely real. These synthetic identities can chat with young people about fake job offers, asking for money to secure a visa or paperwork. In 2025, the Guardian reported a scam targeting young people with promises of quick cash, posing as TikTok staff.

INFLUENCER & INVESTMENT SCAMS

AI tools now make it easy to manipulate video and audio, with technology available that can generate entirely fake content using the likeness of celebrities or influencers. Criminals are using this to create convincing videos of well-known figures promoting fake products or services, which young people can be particularly susceptible to. Cryptocurrency scams are a common tactic, luring people into investing in schemes that do not exist. Once payment is made, the criminal simply disappears with the money.

ROMANCE SCAMS & SEXTORTION

AI chat bots can now mimic real conversations, often accompanied with realistic fake photos and videos, which makes it easier for criminals to build trust with young people - among other things, this can lead to fraud or sextortion. In 2024, the UK's Cyber Safety Centre received 380 reports of sextortion. Alarmingly, in the first five months alone, police received an average of 17 monthly reports involving under-18s, showing how serious and targeted this threat has become.

Advice for Parents & Educators

THINK CRITICALLY

The key to addressing the increasing growth of AI-enabled scams is to think critically and show caution. Inform children that if something is too good to be true, then it probably is. Encourage them to stop and carefully consider what they are seeing and reading before taking any action. For example, if a social media post expresses urgency, proceed with caution; if content seems unusual, even from a known person, it may be that their account has been hacked.

SEEK TO VERIFY

Criminals may breach an influencer's account or spread misinformation and fake news. However, their approach will generally be limited to single accounts, sites or services. Where possible, show children how to verify information to check its legitimacy before proceeding. Small actions, such as phoning the person who is the subject of a suspicious email, or checking content on an individual or company website or social media sites can make the difference. The greater the risk, the more effort we should expect to control whether the information presented is true or false.

USE TRUSTWORTHY SITES AND SERVICES

Online marketplaces are useful when buying and selling items, however, where possible, encourage children to use reputable companies and their own online shopping sites. These companies are likely to have more sophisticated cyber security safeguards in place, underpinned by corporate legislation, enabling them to control how products and services are displayed and traded on their sites.

REPORT IT

As the sophistication of scams increases, the likelihood of being tricked by them also increases, especially when not paying attention or acting quickly. It is important that young people know how to report incidents as they happen. Show children how to report their concerns to the social media site, Action Fraud, banks, and other individuals or organisations listed or involved. If you are unsure of the most effective reporting channel, contact Action Fraud.

Meet Our Expert

Gary Henderson is the Director of IT at Millfield, a large independent boarding school in Somerset, as well as a member of the Digital Futures Group, Vice Chair of the ISC Digital Advisory Group and an Association of Network Managers in Education (ANME) Ambassador.



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| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| <p>Macaroni cheese (V) Carrots and peas Tomato and basil pasta(v)</p> <p>Fruity yoghurt dessert</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,</p> | <p>Beef chilli and rice broccoli/carrots Quorn chilli (v)</p> <p>Blueberry muffin</p> <p>Allergens:2,4,7,13,</p> | <p>Roast turkey with seasonal vegetables and roast potatoes Quorn veggie meatloaf (v)</p> <p>Crumble and custard</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,</p> | <p>Chicken stir fry with noodles Peas/sweetcorn Quorn stir fry (v)</p> <p>Strawberry frozen yoghurt</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,13</p> | <p>Sausage, chips and sweetcorn Vegetable sausage (v)</p> <p>Various puddings</p> <p>Allergens: 2,7,</p> |
| <p>Tuna pasta bake, peas and carrots Tomato and basil pasta(v)</p> <p>Fruity yoghurt dessert</p> <p>Allergens: 2,,5, 7,</p> | <p>Chicken wrap with rainbow rice carrots or peas Vegetable wrap (v)</p> <p>vanilla ice cream</p> <p>Allergens: 2,,4,,7</p> | <p>Roast Beef with seasonal vegetables and roast potatoes Quorn veggie meatloaf(v)</p> <p>Banana and custard</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,</p> | <p>Margherita pizza with wedges, green beans and sweetcorn Vegan margherita pizza (V)</p> <p>Lemon sponge</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,</p> | <p>Fishfingers, chips and peas Vegetable finger (v)</p> <p>Various puddings</p> <p>Allergens: 2,5,7,</p> |
| <p>Chicken pasta bake peas/carrots Tomato and basil pasta(v)</p> <p>Fruity yoghurt dessert</p> <p>Allergens: 2,7,</p> | <p>Beefburger with oven cooked wedges sweetcorn or peas Veggie burger(v)</p> <p>Chocolate muffin</p> <p>Allergens:2,4,7,</p> | <p>Roast chicken with seasonal vegetables and roast potatoes Quorn veggie meatloaf (v)</p> <p>Oat cookie</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,</p> | <p>Meatballs in a tomato sauce, steamed rice, green beans and garlic bread Veggie balls (v)</p> <p>Ice-cream sponge roll</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,13</p> | <p>Chicken dippers, chips and peas Veggie chicken (v)</p> <p>Various puddings</p> <p>Allergens: 2,7</p> |

ALLERGENS

1 = CELERY, 2 = CEREAL CONTAINING GLUTEN, 3 = CRUSTACEANS, 4 = EGGS, 5 = FISH, 6 = LUPIN SEEDS AND FLOUR
7 = DAIRY, 8 = MOLLUSCS, 9 = MUSTARD, 10 = NUTS, 11 = PEANUTS, 12 = SESAME SEEDS, 13 = SOYA, 14 = SULPHUR DIOXIDE

| APRIL 2025 | | | | | | | MAY 2025 | | | | | | | JUNE 2025 | | | | | | | JULY 2025 | | | | | | |
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| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | | | | | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | 30 | | | | | | | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | | |

Jacket potatoes with various fillings, salad bar, fruit and yoghurt available every day



Extra notifications



School Menus

School Menus

SCHOOL MENU – WEEK COMMENCING

Monday 14th July

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| <p>Macaroni cheese (V) Carrots and peas Tomato and basil pasta(v)</p> <p>Fruity yoghurt dessert</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,</p>   | <p>Beef chilli and rice broccoli/carrots Quorn chilli (v)</p> <p>Blueberry muffin</p> <p>Allergens:2,4,7,13,</p>   | <p>Roast turkey with seasonal vegetables and roast potatoes Quorn veggie meatloaf (v)</p> <p>Crumble and custard</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,</p>   | <p>Chicken stir fry with noodles Peas/sweetcorn Quorn stir fry (v)</p> <p>Strawberry frozen yoghurt</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,13</p>   | <p>Sausage, chips and sweetcorn Vegetable sausage (v)</p> <p>Various puddings</p> <p>Allergens: 2,7,</p>   |

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



School Terms and Holidays 2024/25

Beacon Academy

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| | School Holiday |
| | Bank Holiday |
| | Term Time |
| | Inset Day |

Term dates summary:

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| Autumn Term 1: | 3rd September - 25th October 2024 |
| Autumn Term 2: | 4th November - 20th December 2024 |
| Spring Term 1: | 6th January - 14th February 2025 |
| Spring Term 2: | 24th February - 4th April 2025 |
| Summer Term 1: | 22nd April - 23rd May 2025 |
| Summer Term 2: | 2nd June - 23rd July 2025 |
| TOTAL: 195 | |

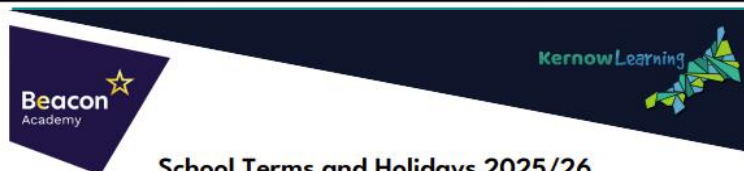
Bank and Public Holidays 2024/25

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| Christmas Day | 25th December 2024 | Easter Monday | 21st April 2025 |
| Boxing Day | 26th December 2024 | May Bank Holiday | 5th May 2025 |
| New Years Day | 1st January 2025 | Spring Bank Holiday | 26th May 2025 |
| Good Friday | 18th April 2025 | Summer Bank Holiday | 25th August 2025 |

IMPORTANT

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





School Terms and Holidays 2025/26

Beacon Academy

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| September 2025 | | | | | | | October 2025 | | | | | | | November 2025 | | | | | | | |
| Mon | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | | Mon | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 | | Mon | 4 | 10 | 17 | 24 | | | | |
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| December 2025 | | | | | | | January 2026 | | | | | | | February 2026 | | | | | | | |
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| March 2026 | | | | | | | April 2026 | | | | | | | May 2026 | | | | | | | |
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| June 2026 | | | | | | | July 2026 | | | | | | | August 2026 | | | | | | | |
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| Key: | | | | | | | Term dates summary: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <div><div></div> School Holiday</div> <div><div></div> Bank Holiday</div> <div><div></div> INSET Day</div> <div><div></div> School open</div> | | | | | | | Autumn Term (74 days) 2nd September 2025 - 19th December 2025 (Half term: 27th-31st October 2025) Spring Term (59 days) 5th January 2026 - 2nd April 2026 (Half term: 16th - 20th February 2026) Summer Term (62 days) 20th April 2026 - 22nd July 2026 (Half term: 25th-29th May 2026) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bank and Public Holidays 2025/26 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Christmas Day | 25th December 2025 | | | | | | | Easter Monday | | | | | | | 6th April 2026 | | | | | | |
| Boxing Day | 26th December 2025 | | | | | | | May Bank Holiday | | | | | | | 4th May 2025 | | | | | | |
| New Years Day | 1st January 2026 | | | | | | | Spring Bank Holiday | | | | | | | 25th May 2026 | | | | | | |
| Good Friday | 3rd April 2026 | | | | | | | Summer Bank Holiday | | | | | | | 31st August 2026 | | | | | | |