

Top story this week



Well, we are galloping very swiftly toward the end of this term. What a term it has been with so many special memories and wonderful achievements. The sun has been shining, and it has certainly been feeling warmer.

This week we welcomed visitors from the NSPCC into Beacon to lead an assembly for our children.

Our year 4 children also had the pleasure of visiting Kerriers Solar farm as part of their science work this term. There they had the pleasure of taking part in a variety of different activities to learn all about renewable energy, how solar farms work, and the role of solar panels in generating electricity.

Next week, we are ending the term in true Beacon style with our Ignite Wonder Carnival Week! Throughout the week, each class will be immersing themselves in the culture of a wide variety of different countries linked to their curriculum. On Thursday, the children will present their learning with the whole school in a very special assembly. Then on Friday to conclude and celebrate the week we are holding our very own carnival parade out and around the Beacon. We are looking forward to learning all about what makes each country so special and unique, as well as celebrating our learning and achievements this term.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

Kaye

★ Key Events for week after half term – Reception and KS1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reception	Carnival week: What is England?	Carnival week: Learning the national anthem and learning about the Royal family.	Carnival week: Making Royal Crowns.	Carnival week: EYFS street party.	Carnival Week Dress Up Day and Parade!
Year 1	Carnival Week: <i>What do we know about Wales?</i>	Carnival week: <i>Wonderful Wales setting description in writing!</i>	Carnival Week: <i>Making Welsh bonnets.</i>	Carnival Week: <i>Trying Welsh food.</i>	Carnival day: <i>dress up in red, white or green or all three.</i>
Year 2	Carnival Week: Let's learn about Scotland!	Trip to The Eden Project	Music with Jan Mann	Carnival Assembly	Carnival Week Dress up Day and Parade!

Key Events for week after half term – KS2 and ARB

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 3	RE: What is 'good' about Good Friday?	Carnival week activities: Where is your country? What is your country famous for?	Carnival Crafts, food tasting and dancing!	Carnival Week Class presentations! Let's teach the rest of the school all about our country!	Carnival Week Dress Up Day and Parade!
Year 4	Introducing our New T4W Text: What would you like it to be?	Carnival Week: Introducing Italy and Greece	Carnival Week: What makes our countries special?	Carnival Week: Let's present our country to the rest of the school!	Carnival Week Dress Up Day and Parade!
Year 5	Carnival Week: <i>Introducing Mexico and India</i>	Carnival Week: <i>Diving deeper into our countries.</i>	Carnival Week: <i>Food from Mexico and India</i>	Carnival Week: <i>Presenting to the School!</i>	Carnival Week <i>Dress Up Day and Parade</i>
Year 6	Carnival Week: <i>Introducing China and Brazil</i>	Marvellous Maths: <i>Percentages of Amounts</i>	Carnival Week: <i>Virtual Trips through the Countries</i>	Carnival Week: <i>Presenting to the School!</i>	Carnival Week <i>Dress Up Day and Parade</i>
Cosmonauts	Carnival Week Kenyan music and dancing	Carnival Week Kenyan crafts	Carnival Week Animal science	Carnival Week Kenyan food tasting and cooking	Carnival Week parade

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EYFS 'Highlight of the Week'★



Nursery

In Nursery this week we have enjoyed the story 'Monkey Puzzle'. We have been creating snakes and butterflies from the story and making animal prints in playdough.

Pre-School

In Pre-school this week the children have loved learning about spring. We watched a video of chick's hatching. We then enjoyed making chicks out of cardboard tubes and play dough.

Reception

This week in Reception we have been enjoying observing the change of season. We have been looking at daffodils and creating our own collages like artists!

We have also learnt about local animals, and we completed a challenge to find mini beasts in our school grounds.

What a fantastic week!



KS1 'Highlight of the Week'



Year 1

This week as Scientists, Year 1 have been learning all about the seasonal changes that take place in the spring. We went on a spring hunt to see the signs of spring around our school, we found new buds on the trees, daffodils that have bloomed, we could hear birds singing in the trees and we could spot some lambs in the fields.



Year 2

This week, Year 2 have been writing some fantastic discussion texts! We have been using our 'discussion toolkit' to argue some points for and against having a dog as a pet in school. We have also had an amazing time creating some 'superhero inspired' musical masterpieces with Jan Mann. We have enjoyed learning about Easter in our RE lessons and finished the unit by making some lovely Easter themed crafts.



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Lower KS2 'Highlight of the Week'



Year 3

This week Year 3 have put on their designer hats to design and create a healthy wrap that contains a wide variety of food from our Eatwell Plate. We began the week by exploring what a balanced diet is, contains and why it's important that we have one. Following on, we investigated what different store bought wraps are made up of and tried a range of ingredients combinations with them to see what we liked best. Once we knew what we liked, we went on to design and make our very own healthy wrap using a range of cutting techniques we had previously learnt in year 1. We had great fun exploring new combinations of healthy foods and can't wait to create new ones. Well done Year 3 for another brilliant week. We can't wait to see what you achieve next week in Carnival week!



Year 4

Wow Year 4 – we can't believe we only have one week left of the Easter term. This week, children have amazed us when writing their own finding tales and produced some outstanding final pieces. Alongside this, they have produced some great pieces of music linked to The Wizard of Oz – we clearly have some very creative children in the year group.

However, the biggest highlight this week comes from the children's visit to Kerrier's Solar Farm on Thursday: here they got a chance to explore the site and see how this renewable energy source can provide for us in the future. Well done Year 4 – keep shining brightly.



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Upper KS2 'Highlight of the Week'



Year 5

This week Year 5 have been researching the Terrific Tudors – We have been learning about the Monarchy and who has been the best ruler! Writing this week has taken us to completing a persuasive piece of writing; they have really shown their imagination and passion around different topics.

Next week, Comets are off to India, whilst Meteors explore Mexico as part of Carnival Week! Keep your eyes peeled for what excitement and chaos will be happening.



Year 6

We have come to the end of the penultimate week of the Easter term: where is the time going? This week, children have amazed when innovating their wishing tales in writing; they have coped brilliantly when converting between fractions, decimals and percentages in maths; they continue to shine in grammar, showing a great awareness of the use of commas this week; and have produced some great country fact-files in their reading this week.

Next week, we are really excited to be exploring China and Brazil as part of Carnival Week. Do you know anything already that you will be willing to share with the class?





Cosmonauts

We finished off our innovated 'Superworm' stories this week by writing the resolutions and endings. We made superhero windsocks in art, investigated Antarctic animals in science and made vegetable faces in cooking. We have also been enjoying taking our Maths and English learning outside this week. We are looking forward to learning all about the country of Kenya next week.

Core word of the week



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Who has **SHONE BRIGHTLY** this week?

Being brave

Space Voyagers (YR)		Theo McGrath	Pioneers (Y3)		Charlie Hannaford
Space Travellers (YR)		Rudy Haines	Discoverers (Y3)		Roxy Setterfield
Space Adventurers (Y1)		Vogue Couch	Supernovas (Y4)		Kelsie Humphris
Space Explorers (Y1)		Shawnee Gurd	Constellations (Y4)		Melissa Humphris
Spaceships (Y2)		Isis Carvalho	Comets (Y5)		Oliver Angove
Rockets (Y2)		Ethan Arthur Wompeh	Meteors (Y5)		Aniela Masternak
Cosmonauts (ARB)		Winnie Starr	Aviators (Y6)		Demi Pope
Shine			Astronomers (Y6)		Orren Fox
			Astronauts (Y6)		Molly Spencer

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:

Cornwall Council, County Hall,
Treyew Road, Truro, TR1 3AY

e: customerservices@cornwall.gov.uk

t: 0300 1234 100



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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!

Monday 31st – Friday 4th April

- Ignite Wonder – Carnival week

Monday 7th – Monday 21st April

Easter Holidays



Dates for the diary!

Wednesday 23 rd April	• Healthy Cornwall Taste Challenge – Y5
Wednesday 30 th April – Thursday 1 st May	• Y3 Bristol Residential
Monday 5 th May	• BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday 6 th May – Wednesday 7 th May	• Year 4 Oxford Residential
Wednesday 7 th May	• Healthy Cornwall Taste Challenge – Y5

Monday 12 th May – Thursday 14 th May	• Y6 SAT's
Monday 19 th May	• Class Photography – class photos
Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May	• HALF TERM
Monday 3 rd June	• Y4 Multiplication Tables Check starts
Wednesday 4 th June	• Healthy Cornwall Taste Challenge – Y6
Monday 9 th June	• Phonic Screening Begins
Wednesday 25 th June	• Healthy Cornwall Taste Challenge – Y6
Monday 7 th July – Wednesday 10 th July	• Year 6 London Residential
Wednesday 23 rd July	• SUMMER HOLIDAYS

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Who shone even brighter!★



Marley Angel



Ellen Lutey-Forshaw

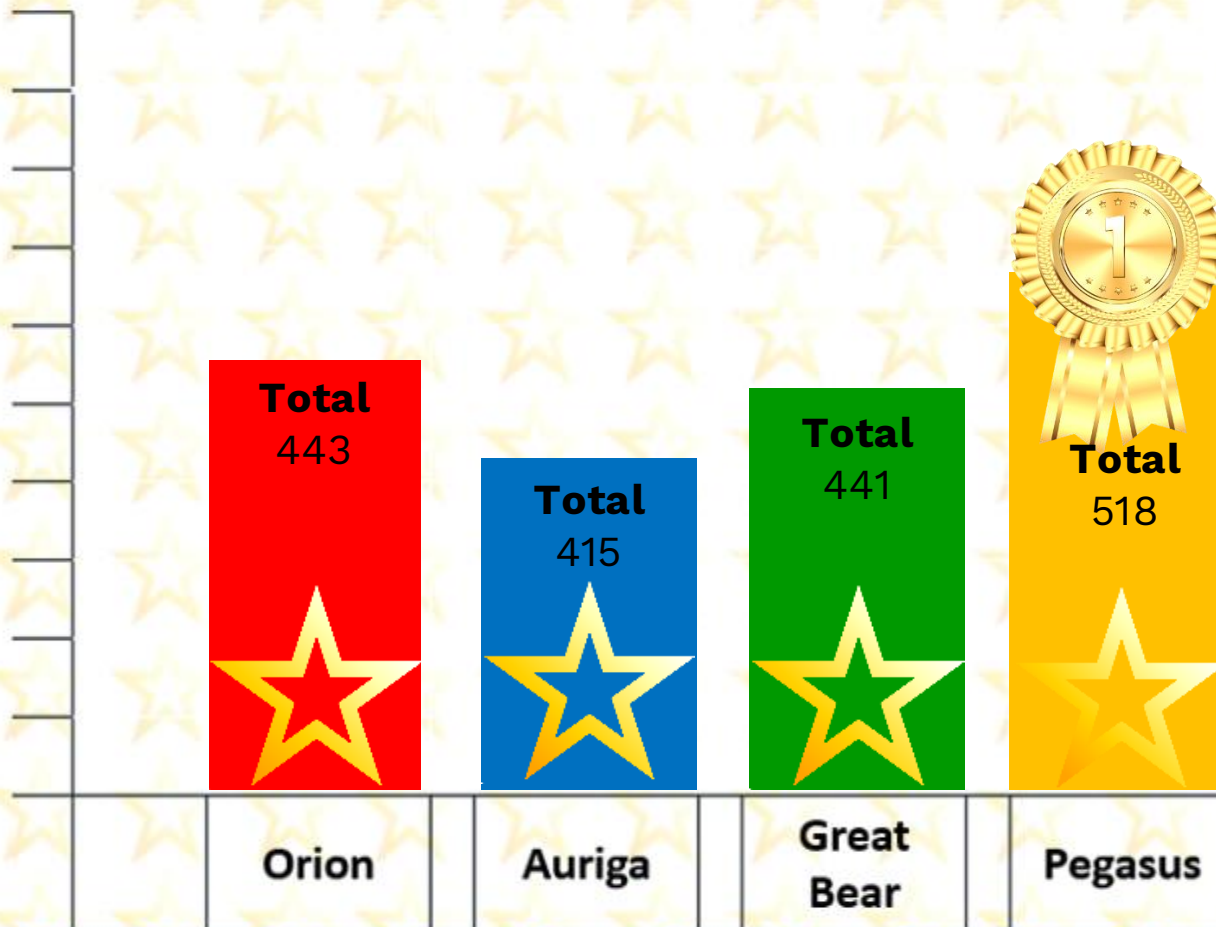


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Extra notifications



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

Our free breakfast club operates during term time and is available 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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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.



Open to parents/carers and
their primary school aged
children in Cornwall

**Don't forget to sign up to the Mental
Health Support Team free
Wild Wellbeing sessions being held over
the Easter holidays at various locations**



To request a place, please complete the
online form via the link below or use the
QR code attached

<https://forms.office.com/e/1cVmDjXF5E>





PLAYER DEVELOPMENT CENTRES



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ACROSS EAST CORNWALL & NORTH DEVON:

PRIMARY SCHOOL AGES ONLY:

HOLSWORTHY BOYS
BODMIN BOYS
BODMIN GIRLS

SECONDARY SCHOOL AGES ONLY:

LAUNCESTON BOYS

PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOL AGES:

ASHBURY BOYS
LAUNCESTON GIRLS
LAUNCESTON GOALKEEPERS (BOYS & GIRLS)

CENTRE POINT OF CONTACTS:

BOYS PATHWAY: CARWYN.BLUETT@PAFC.CO.UK
GIRLS PATHWAY: JACOB.FAHY@PAFC.CO.UK
GOALKEEPER PATHWAY: CARWYN.BLUETT@PAFC.CO.UK

PLEASE EMAIL FOR FURTHER INFORMATION



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Supporting Parents And Children Emotionally



SPACE is a free programme for any Kernow Learning parent or carer who wants to better understand and support their children's emotions, as well as their own.

FREE!

- ★ Gain an understanding of the impact of life experiences on yourself as a parent & on your children.
- ★ Help to manage your child's behaviour and develop strategies for building resilience in yourself & your children.
- ★ Take away strategies to implement at home and use in everyday life
- ★ Focusing on building the wellbeing of your whole family

Our 5 week programme is available on the following dates, online or at locations across Cornwall.

Trenance Academy, Newquay

Session Dates: 13th Nov, 20th Nov, 27th Nov, 4th Dec, 11th Dec.
Session Times: 1.15pm - 3.15pm

St Francis C of E Academy, Falmouth

Session Dates: 11th Nov, 18th Nov, 25th Nov, 2nd Dec, 9th Dec, 16th Dec
Session Times: 1.00pm - 3.00pm

King Charles C of E Primary School, Falmouth

Session Dates: 11th Nov, 18th Nov, 25th Nov, 2nd Dec, 9th Dec.
Session Times: 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Foxhole Learning Academy, St Austell **ONLINE COURSE DAY TIME**

Sessions Dates: 7th Jan, 14th Jan, 21st Jan, 28th Jan, 4th Feb
Session Times: 10am-11am

Foxhole Learning Academy, St Austell **ONLINE COURSE EVENING**

Session Dates: 27th Feb, 6th Mar, 13th Mar, 20th Mar, 27th Mar
Session Times: 7pm - 8pm

Sky Primary, St Austell **ONLINE COURSE DAY TIME**

Session Dates: 16th June, 23rd June, 30th June, 7th July, 14th July.
Session Times: 1pm-3pm

 **Book here**

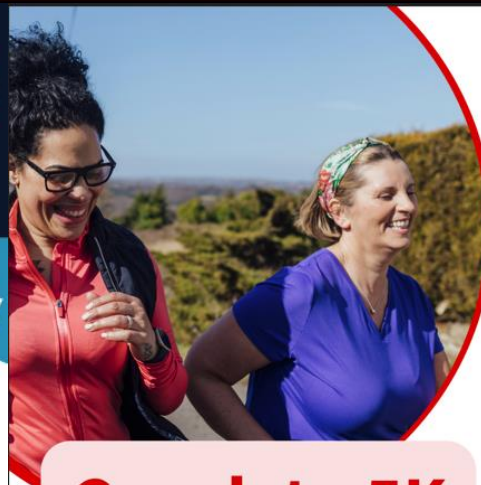
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Couch to 5K



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- 🍏 Learn to run for 30 minutes in 12 weeks through NHS designed programme starting with an easy walk-and-talk session
- 🍏 Get outside, get active and meet new people



Healthy
Cornwall



Tuesdays
1pm - 2pm

Meeting at the
Scarletts Well car park

Booking is
essential. Call or
go to our website
to book.



 01872 324200

 healthycornwall.org.uk

This week's golden hoody winners



Zennor - Rockets



Brodie - Rockets



Freddie - Spaceships



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.



Bodmin Carnival 16th August 2025

We are seeking
Royalty for Bodmin
Carnival

Royalty Choosing
Shire House Suite

Saturday 26th April 1pm

Carnival Queen aged 11+
(With or without attendants)
Fairy Queen & Fairy King aged 4-10
(With 2 attendants)

Send your details to
Bodmincarnivalcommittee@aol.com
Please include entrants name, age, hometown &
category you wish to enter.

Or pick up an entry from Town Council Reception

Queries please contact Sarah Jane on
07828640450



EASTER

Fun Sessions

Sunday 13th April

At - **THE SPACE**  Priory Road, Bodmin
PL31 2AE

Session 1- 11.30am-12.30pm

Session 2- 1.30pm-2.30pm

Session 3- 3pm-4pm

Session 4- 4.30pm-5.30pm

£5 each up to two children,

£2.50 each there after

To book please message

Autism Friendly Events

on Facebook.

Meet the Easter Bunny

Refreshments Stalls Games Crafts

TICKET ONLY
NON
REFUNDABLE



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.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<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>Sausage roll with herbed potatoes and broccoli/peas Vegetarian sausage roll (v)</p> <p>Blueberry Muffin</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,</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>Sweet and sour chicken, rice with green beans/carrots Sweet and sour veg (v)</p> <p>Toffee yoghurt</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,14,</p>	<p>Sausage, Chips and sweetcorn Vegetable Fingers (v)</p> <p>Various puddings</p> <p>Allergens: 2,7,</p>
<p>Chicken in cheese sauce pasta bake peas carrots Tomato and Basil Pasta(v)</p> <p>Fruity yoghurt desserts</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,</p>	<p>Chicken Curry with Rice, broccoli, peas and naan bread Vegetable Curry (v)</p> <p>Iced bun</p> <p>Allergens: 2,3,4,5,7,</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>Margarita Pizza with Wedges, green beans and sweetcorn Vegan Margarita Pizza (V)</p> <p>Lemon sponge</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,</p>	<p>Fishfingers, Chips and peas Vegetable Sausage (v)</p> <p>Various puddings</p> <p>Allergens: 2,5,7,</p>
<p>Tuna in a tomato herb pasta bake peas/carrots Tomato and Basil Pasta(v)</p> <p>Fruity yoghurt dessert</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,5,7,</p>	<p>Cottage pie with carrots and sweetcorn Vegetable cottage pie (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>Fruit salad with custard</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,</p>	<p>Meatballs in a tomato sauce steamed rice and green beans garlic bread Veggie balls (v)</p> <p>Chocolate chip cookie</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

January 2025							February 2025							March 2025							April 2025						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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Jacket potatoes with various fillings, salad bar, fruit and yoghurt available every day













School Menus

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SCHOOL MENU – WEEK COMMENCING

Monday 31st March

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<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>Sausage roll with herbed potatoes and broccoli/peas Vegetarian sausage roll (v)</p> <p>Blueberry Muffin</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,</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>Sweet and sour chicken, rice with green beans/carrots Sweet and sour veg (v)</p> <p>Toffee yoghurt</p> <p>Allergens: 2,4,7,14,</p>  	<p>Sausage, Chips and sweetcorn Vegetable Fingers (v)</p> <p>Various puddings</p> <p>Allergens: 2,7,</p>  

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



EASTER fayre

Join us on
April 19th 11am-3pm

at
**Castle Canyke Scout Hut
PL31 1DY**

for some family Easter fun

Raising money for
1st Castle Canyke Scout Group

- Raffle
- Easter Egg hunt
- Tombola
- Cake Stall
- Games
- Craft Stalls
- Easter Bonnet Competition
- Burgers, Hotdogs and Drinks
- Plus lots more!

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 thenationalcollege.org.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about BLUESKY SOCIAL APP

AGE RESTRICTION
13+
With an App Store rating of 17+ & Google Play rating of 16+

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

NO PRIVATE ACCOUNTS

While most social networks allow accounts to be private, at the time of writing, all Bluesky accounts must be public. The development team has indicated this might change in the future, but the app is built on a public-first protocol, so private accounts are only introduced in a limited way – such as through the implementation of group chats.

INTERACTIONS WITH STRANGERS

Every account being public means that anyone can be contacted by anyone else. While users don't have to respond and can easily block people and move on, it does mean that strangers are at potential risk of being contacted by accounts, investigated by predatory adults or exposed to others with ill intentions. These hazards can be compounded by the fact that Bluesky doesn't require its users to provide their real name.

TROLLING AND BULLYING

While Bluesky currently has a lot of friends, there's a lot of hate too. It's not surprising that X users don't have to respond and can easily block people and move on, it does mean that strangers are at potential risk of being contacted by accounts, investigated by predatory adults or exposed to others with ill intentions. These hazards can be compounded by the fact that Bluesky doesn't require its users to provide their real name.

While Bluesky has been around since 2016, it's suddenly taken off in a big way thanks to a significant exodus from X (formerly Twitter). Indeed, it looks and behaves a lot like Twitter before Elon Musk bought the platform. Bluesky has been touted in recent months as a safer, more open-minded alternative to X – but like any social media site, it still has its share of risks.

DANGEROUS MISINFORMATION

Established news organisations have long been a source of misinformation and disinformation. Bluesky will possibly be no different once it reaches a critical mass of users and children may not have the critical thinking skills to tell fact from fiction – or to discern on information, heard over from a malicious one.

ADULT TARGET AUDIENCE

Bluesky isn't designed with children in mind, and there aren't many parental controls on the platform. In an interview with the BBC, Bluesky's CEO explicitly said that the app would only allow users aged 18 and above to sign up, but a spokesperson later clarified its age restriction on 13+. This could imply the app is primarily meant for an adult audience and suggests that making the platform more child-friendly might not currently be a priority.

RAPID GROWTH

At the time of writing, Bluesky seems to be in competition with other social networks where moderation is key and the atmosphere toxic – but that's what it's all about in part to its smaller community. The app has recently been adding on more as a million users per day, and if that continues, there'll be more opportunities for trolls, and moderators could struggle to maintain the present environment Bluesky is currently known for.

Advice for Parents & Educators

USE THE ADULT CONTENT FILTER

Bluesky doesn't have much in the way of parental controls, but there are content filters which can limit sexual and graphic images. These are activated by default for underage accounts but can be manually turned on in the 'Moderation' section of the app's settings. The advanced Bluesky Moderation service only your child's content even further, hiding – for example – self-harm content, extremist rhetoric, and even rape posts.

ENCOURAGE BLOCKING AND REPORTING

Another tool that Bluesky uses to ensure a decent experience is muting and blocking accounts. The former prevents you from seeing a specific user's content, while the latter stops them from seeing yours. If a child is encountering trolls or bullies on the platform, encourage them to use this function, while also reporting the offenders to help make the platform a safer place for everyone.

Meet Our Expert

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LOOK OUT FOR FAKES

Impersonation is a problem on all social networks. While the consequences are usually benign, imposters sometimes attempt to scam or groom children by pretending to be a popular influencer or online personality. Bluesky is unique in that it can be connected to official domains, with users' profiles linking to other sites, while this isn't widely used yet. It could be a reliable way to verify celebrities and public figures in future.

KEEP AN OPEN DIALOGUE

As with all social media platforms, moderation and content filters can only do so much. It's highly likely that a child will eventually face something unwelcome. For that reason, it's important to make sure that young people are aware of the risks and know how to handle the technology if anything they see on the app makes them feel unsafe or uncomfortable.

Source: <https://www.thenationalcollege.org/guides/bluesky-app>



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School Terms and Holidays 2024/25

Beacon Academy

September 2024	October 2024	November 2024
Mon 2 9 16 23 30	Mon 7 14 21 28	Mon 4 11 18 25
Tue 3 10 17 24	Tue 1 8 15 22 29	Tue 5 12 19 26
Wed 4 11 18 25	Wed 2 9 16 23 30	Wed 6 13 20 27
Thu 5 12 19 26	Thu 3 10 17 24 31	Thu 7 14 21 28
Fri 6 13 20 27	Fri 4 11 18 25	Fri 8 15 22 29
Sat 7 14 21 28	Sat 5 12 19 26	Sat 2 9 16 23 30
Sun 1 8 15 22 29	Sun 6 13 20 27	Sun 3 10 17 24
December 2024	January 2025	February 2025
Mon 2 9 16 23 30	Mon 6 13 20 27	Mon 3 10 17 24
Tue 3 10 17 24 31	Tue 7 14 21 28	Tue 4 11 18 25
Wed 4 11 18 25	Wed 8 15 22 29	Wed 5 12 19 26
Thu 5 12 19 26	Thu 9 16 23 30	Thu 6 13 20 27
Fri 6 13 20 27	Fri 10 17 24 31	Fri 7 14 21 28
Sat 7 14 21 28	Sat 11 18 25	Sat 8 15 22 29
Sun 1 8 15 22 29	Sun 12 19 26	Sun 2 9 16 23
March 2025	April 2025	May 2025
Mon 3 10 17 24 31	Mon 7 14 21 28	Mon 5 12 19 26
Tue 4 11 18 25	Tue 8 15 22 29	Tue 6 13 20 27
Wed 5 12 19 26	Wed 9 16 23 30	Wed 7 14 21 28
Thu 6 13 20 27	Thu 10 17 24 31	Thu 1 8 15 22 29
Fri 7 14 21 28	Fri 11 18 25	Fri 2 9 16 23 30
Sat 1 8 15 22 29	Sat 12 19 26	Sat 3 10 17 24 31
Sun 2 9 16 23 30	Sun 13 20 27	Sun 4 11 18 25
June 2025	July 2025	August 2025
Mon 2 9 16 23 30	Mon 7 14 21 28	Mon 4 11 18 25
Tue 3 10 17 24	Tue 8 15 22 29	Tue 5 12 19 26
Wed 4 11 18 25	Wed 9 16 23 30	Wed 6 13 20 27
Thu 5 12 19 26	Thu 10 17 24 31	Thu 7 14 21 28
Fri 6 13 20 27	Fri 11 18 25	Fri 8 15 22 29
Sat 7 14 21 28	Sat 12 19 26	Sat 2 9 16 23 30
Sun 1 8 15 22 29	Sun 13 20 27	Sun 3 10 17 24 31

Key:

	School Holiday
	Bank Holiday
	Term Time
	Inset Day

Term dates summary:

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

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

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School Terms and Holidays 2025/26

Beacon Academy

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Key:

	School Holiday
	Bank Holiday
	INSET Day
	School open

Term dates summary:

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

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Boxing Day	26th December 2025	May Bank Holiday	4th May 2026
New Years Day	1st January 2026	Spring Bank Holiday	25th May 2026
Good Friday	3rd April 2026	Summer Bank Holiday	31st August 2026

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