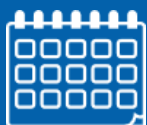




NEWSLETTER

A message from the **PRINCIPAL**

Dates for Your



Friday 31st March 2023

Beck Rows Got Talent

Last day of Spring Term

Monday 17th April 2023

Summer Term Starts

Thursday 20th April 2023

School Farm and Country Fair Trip Yr 4

Friday 21st April 2023

South Angle Farm Trip EYFS

Thursday 27th April 2023

Raptor Foundation Trip Year 1

Monday 1st May 2023

Bank Holiday

Monday 8th May 2023

Bank Holiday

Monday 22nd May 2023

Houses of Parliament Trip Years 5/6

Tuesday 23rd May 2023

Class Group Photos

Friday 26th May 2023

Last Day before Summer Half-Term

Monday 5th June 2023

Start of second half Summer Term

Dear Parents/Carers,

February got off to a great start with our wonderful NSPCC Number Day. The children enjoyed maths activities all day and wore some exciting costumes! Staff training on that day on using Makaton sign language was undertaken by some of our staff – I hope you got to see the photos of that on our Class Dojo school story page.

The following week the children in Year 3 to 6 were treated to a fantastic online safety show featuring Captain Wonderweb. I hope this will help them to feel more confident about keeping themselves safe online. Also that week eight of our pupils attended a swim gala at the Hub and I met with our new Chair of Governors – Steve Shore, for our first joint Governing Body meeting together with Great Heath Academy. Our staff enjoyed some fun and relaxation together with a Bowling session at Bury St Edmunds.

After half term we had more internet safety training for our pupils delivered by our PCSO Rachel and one of our parents Karen treated the children to a fantastic author assembly which really inspired us all to be writers ourselves!

We ended the month with some fantastic Science teacher training from Suffolk, kindly organised by our resident expert Science teacher Miss Guise!

Kind Regards,

Mrs S. Shayler

Principal

Holi Festival

Our EYFS pupils celebrated the Holi Festival. Holi is a popular and significant Hindu festival, celebrated as the Festival of Colours, Love and Spring. It celebrates the eternal and divine love of the gods Radha and Krishna.



Safeguarding

What do I need to know about sharing things online?

Recently there has been a few issues around children sharing things online that they should not be. Whatever is chosen to be shared, and whoever it is shared with, it is important that it is done safely and positively.

Personal information is all of those details about your life which should be kept private. They are details which could give away information about who you are or which could put you at risk if shared with a stranger.

Here are some examples:

Full name

Address

Telephone number

Birthday

School passwords



Sharing pictures online can inadvertently share personal information that you will want to keep private. For example your child takes a selfie with their friends after school or a photo of a pet dog.

We often tell the children that once something is shared online, it can be difficult to take it back. The post that is shared maybe able to be removed, but you cannot stop other people from copying or screenshotting it and sending it on to more people.

A great resource to check out is a video from [BBC Own It](#). See how the things you share online could end up being seen by more people than you were expecting.



Club Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School 7.45am - 8.45am	Premier Edu. Multi Activity	Premier Edu. Multi Activity	Premier Edu. Multi Activity	Premier Edu. Multi Activity	Premier Edu. Multi Activity
After School 3.00 - 4.00pm	Premier Edu. Dodgeball	Premier Edu. Multi Activity	Premier Edu. Fencing		Premier Edu. Football

Miss Gallagher used some of our Sainsbury's Gift Vouchers to purchase fresh fruit for our EYFS pupils. The children cut the soft fruits up themselves and mixed it into a fresh fruit salad. They all enjoyed eating it.



ATTENDANCE

Below you will see our current attendance from September until yesterday. Well done to Reception, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 for being over 94%.

Whole School 94.1%

Reception 94.8%
Year 3 94.8%
Year 6 93.9%

Year 1 93.0%
Year 4 94.8%

Year 2 94.1%
Year 5 94.7%

We are experiencing a number of parents requesting time off for children in term time. This must always be requested in advance via the school office. Term time absence is rarely authorised and should be avoided as it can incur a fine.

Eco Council

The 3 areas that we are focusing on are: Energy, Litter and School Grounds.

Energy:

Last time we told you about our posters to reduce electricity wastage. There's even one in Mrs Shayler's office!

Since then, Year 1 joined a national online lesson on World Water Day to learn about how to not waste water and why that's important.

Litter:

Year 3 had a fantastic lesson from The Rivers Trust who told us how litter ends up in oceans via rivers. We then did a litter pick on our school field to prevent it from being blown into local rivers.

Finally, we analysed what we found and uploaded our results to the Preventing Plastic Pollution website.

They gifted us a litter picking kit that we use weekly to keep the school grounds tidy. Although, there shouldn't really be any litter there in the first place! We are tackling this in our Eco assemblies.



School Grounds:



In addition to Mr Smith's exciting plans for the school field (see Dojo for details), we're also making our school a better place for wildlife and the environment.

Last week, the Eco Council potted up a spider plant for each classroom that the children will be responsible for looking after. We also tidied our new eco area and planted flower seeds to attract insects and birds.

Lunch

All children in **Early Years, Year 1 and Year 2** receive **free school meals**.

Menus are sent out twice a year. Children can choose a hot dinner or a cold 'pick and mix' option.

Alternatively, you may send your child to school with a healthy packed lunch.

Children in **Years 3 to 6** need to pay, **in advance** for their school lunch. This is **£2.31 per day**, £11.55 per week. Please pay online at

www.eduspot.co.uk. Please ask the office for a password if you do not have one as the Academy is no longer able to accept cash.

We are a **NUT FREE** school, please ensure packed lunches do not contain nuts or nut products.

The Lunch Menu can be found on our school website.



Beck Row Primary Academy

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Travelling Books



Thank you so much to everyone who attended the Book Fair in February.

It was amazing to see so many parents and pupils, excited about all the books to choose from.

Thanks to all of your purchases, we have made an incredible £864.49 to spend on books for our school



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