



NEWSLETTER

Dates for Your

DIARY



Mon 26th—Fri 30th May 2025

Half term—School Closed

Mon 9th—Fri 13th June 2025

Year 1 Phonic Check

Thursday 12th June 2025

Year 4 Multiplication check

Friday 20th June 2025

PD day—School closed to pupils

Wednesday 03rd July 2025

Year 5&6 Performance 2pm

Wednesday 09th July 2025

Sports Day

Thursday 10th & 11th July 2025

MCA Yr6 Transition Day

Thursday 17th July 2025

Year 6 Curve motion Trip

Friday 18th July 2025

Summer Fete

The current year's calendar can
be found [here](#)

The new 2025/2026 is now
available [here](#)

A message from

Miss Minter



As we wrap up another busy and successful half term, there's so much to celebrate at Beck Row!

Firstly, a huge [congratulations](#) to our amazing Year 6 pupils, who tackled their SATs with confidence, focus, and a fantastic attitude. We are incredibly proud of their hard work and determination – they truly gave it their all.

Our Phonics results this year have been outstanding, the strongest the school has ever seen! This is a testament to the dedication of our staff and the enthusiasm of our younger learners who are making brilliant progress.

We've also seen huge smiles across the playground as children enjoy playing with the generous donations of toys we've received. Thank you to everyone who has contributed – your kindness is making playtimes even more exciting!

Looking ahead to Summer 2, we have so much to look forward to. From our fun-filled Sports Days and lively Summer Fete to the much-anticipated *Beck Row Has Talent* show, there's plenty of joy and celebration on the horizon.

Wishing everyone a restful and sunny break – we can't wait to see what the final term brings!

Charley Minter

Principal



Safeguarding

This Month's Focus

Age-Appropriate Social Media & Messaging

Most mainstream social media platforms (like TikTok, Instagram, Snapchat) are not designed for children under 13. However, some alternatives exist that offer safe, parent-monitored communication and creativity .

Social Media Risks by Age Range

5-7 years



Young children lack the cognitive and emotional development to navigate online spaces safely.

- Exposure to inappropriate content
- Accidental sharing of personal info
- Inability to recognize unsafe behavior

8-9 years



Children begin to explore more independently, but are still very trusting and susceptible to manipulation

- Online bullying
- Exposure to harmful language or ads
- Unintentional interactions with strangers

10-11 years



Pre-teens may seek more privacy and use platforms without understanding long-term consequences or how to handle online conflicts

- Peer pressure, body image issues
- Secretive behavior online
- Early access to adult themes (via TikTok, YouTube, etc.)



Why Age 13+ Is Often the Minimum

Most major platforms (like Instagram, TikTok, Snapchat) **require users to be at least 13** because of:

- The need for maturity to handle **social pressures and privacy issues**
- **Online Safety Act 2023**
- **Prevent children from accessing harmful content**

What Parents/Teachers Can Do:

- Use **child-specific platforms** (like Messenger Kids, PopJam, Kinzoo)
- **Talk regularly** about online safety and feeling
- **Set clear rules** about what's okay to share
- **Model good digital behavior** as adults

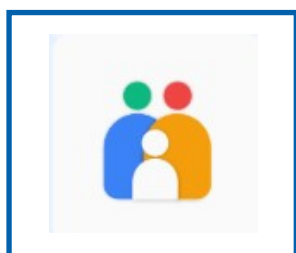
Here's a comparison chart of age-appropriate games and social media platforms for primary school children, highlighting age range, type, and parental control availability.

Platform/Game	Age Range	Type	Parental Controls
Minecraft (Creative Mode)	7+	Game	Yes
Animal Crossing	7+	Game	Yes
LEGO Games	6+	Game	Yes
PBS Kids / BBC Games	5-10	Educational Game	Yes
Toca Boca / Sago Mini	4-9	Creative App	Yes
YouTube Kids	5-12	Video Platform	Yes
Messenger Kids	6-12	Messaging App	Yes
PopJam	7-12	Creative Social Media	Yes
Kinzoo	6-12	Messaging App	Yes

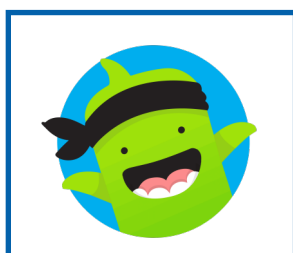
Club Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
After School		 Dodgeball	 Multisport	 Fun Factory	
		Year 1, 2, and 4 Biscuit Booster		Year 1, 2 and 4 Biscuit Booster	
	Lightwave KS1 & KS2				

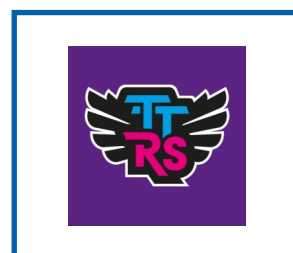
APPS you need...



MyChildAtSchool
(MCAS)



Class Dojo



TT Rock Stars



ATTENDANCE

Our current overall attendance is: 95.4%

Potter	Donaldson	Jeffers	Blake	Rosen	Morpurgo	Wilson	Dahl	Zephaniah	Elphinstone
97.3%	95.8%	95.9%	96.1%	94.5%	93.7%	96.7%	95.3%	94.4%	95.5%

Well done to Potter Class, Blake Class and Wilson Class who all have attendance over 96%!

DID YOU KNOW?

If you are 15 minutes late each day, you will have missed 2 full weeks of school in one year.

BECK ROW VALUES:

Bold

Expressive

Creative

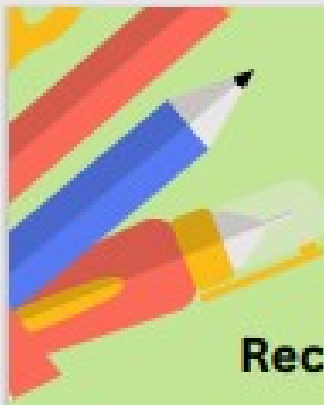
Kind

Respectful

Open-minded

Willing





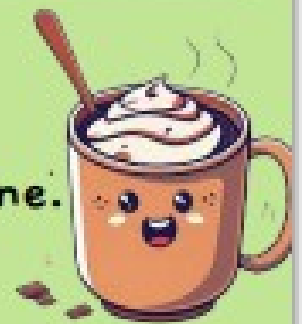
CLASS DOJOS

Receive Green Dojos and turn them into rewards!



100 Green Dojos: a GOLDEN Ticket

500 Green Dojos: Hot chocolate at lunchtime.



1000 Green Dojos: Extra playtime!

2000 Green Dojos: A day trip out.



The Beck Row Way



Lovely Lining Up-
We line up in single
file and in silence.

Wonderful Walking -
We walk quietly with
our hands behind our
back or by our sides.

**Whole Body
Listening -** We sit
appropriately so we
can listen and focus.

No Opt Out- Our
teachers do not let
us give up on
answering.

Cold Calling - Our
teachers will
randomly pick us
to answer.

Right is Right - We
always know when
our answer isn't
quite good enough.



Spotlight on...speech sounds

It is a well-known fact that children develop at different rates; their speech is no different. There are 3 elements to speech that we assess:

- Speech sounds
- Receptive language
- Expressive language



Speech sounds:

The ability to articulate sounds develops over time, with the majority being secure by the time children finish Early Years.

We screen all children in Early Years and also older children who haven't yet met their age-expected sounds. We then make referrals to NHS Speech & Language Therapy for those that the screening recommends.

Children with sounds identified also have targeted intervention in school.

Even if children are able to correctly pronounce a sound in a particular word, it takes longer for them to correctly pronounce it in a sentence. Gentle repetition is the key.

Age	Sounds that are present	Sounds that are absent
By 3;5	All vowels p b t d k g m n ng f v s z h w l y	th (noisy or quiet) sh, ZH (sound in the middle of mea <u>s</u> ure) ch, j r
By 3;11	All above, plus: ch	th (noisy or quiet) sh, ZH (sound in the middle of mea <u>s</u> ure) j r
By 4;5	All above, plus: ZH (sound in the middle of mea <u>s</u> ure) j	th (noisy or quiet) sh r
By 4;11	As above	th (noisy or quiet) sh r
By 5;5	All above, plus: sh	th (noisy or quiet) r
By 5;11	As above	th (noisy or quiet) r
By 6;5	All above, plus: r	th (noisy or quiet)
By 6;11	As above	th (noisy or quiet)
Above 7;00	As above, plus: th (noisy or quiet)	None

How can you help?

You can help at home by modelling correct sounds if children pronounce them incorrectly. This is best done by repeating back what they said (as if clarifying) in a way that doesn't make them feel like they are being corrected eg:

Child: The dod is outside.

Adult: Oh, the dog is outside?

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's speech, please contact your class teacher or Mrs Bailey.

Next time, we will focus on receptive language.

School Farm and Country Fair 2025



Important Update: New PE Tops from September

We would like to inform you of an upcoming change to our Physical Education (PE) uniform. From **September**, all children will be **required to wear blue PE tops** as part of their PE kit.



These blue tops can be purchased from **Corporate Tiger** with the logo, either online or in-store. They can also be found in many of the larger supermarkets without the logo. This change is part of our effort to ensure consistency across the school and maintain a smart, unified appearance during PE sessions.

Back to School

School returns on **Monday 2nd June.**

Have a lovely half term.



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