



The Beacon

Church of England (V.A.) Primary & Pre-School *Living life in all its fullness. (John 10:10)*

Dear Families and Friends,

Highlights of the week:



During **Transition Tuesday**, our nursery children explored how to build a fire engine with Mr Edmunds. We wrote some instructions for our fire brigade on how to build their engine then built one reading our writing. We had to work hard putting out fires started by the dragon! Mark making,



sharing and taking turns, rich vocabulary and reading made this experience very valuable for the children!

Whole School Beach Day – we had a fabulous time!



Y6 Leavers Worship

We celebrated Year 6 as only The Beacon can – running out of church under our banners!



We will be sending out an email on Monday to Y6 parents with some other photos which we are unable to post publicly – we'll let you know by Jotter when they've been sent!

School dinners Earlier in the year we let you know that we may have to revise the cost of school dinners. From September 2026, the price will increase to £2.85 per meal. The new menu has been uploaded to MCAS, and we would ask that you please book the meals for the first week of term in September before Monday morning, so we can place the order before we break up.

Great British Summer Savings scheme.

From 25 June to 1 September 2026, the Government is temporarily cutting VAT from 20% to 5% on children's meals in restaurants, children and family tickets to cinemas, theatres, concerts and exhibitions, and admission to a wide range of attractions. Combined with free bus travel during August for children aged 5 to 15 in England, families and young people will be able to enjoy experiences that make summer special, including visits to the kinds of cultural and educational attractions that enrich children's lives outside the classroom.

We wish you all a peaceful weekend, Mrs Anne Billington

Friday 17th July 2026

Stars of the Week
Will return in September!

Word millionaire: Ethan in Y4 – very well done!



Next Week:

We will be reflecting on how we have / will be 'living life in all its fullness'. We've included some pictures in this week's newsletter to show how we have been doing just that this week!

School dinner ordering deadline

Please place your orders for week commencing **7th September** by Monday 20th July, remembering that if your child is going on the Grenville House residential, you won't need to order for that week.

Monday Grenville House Residential meeting 3.45pm-4.45pm, an opportunity to meet Grenville House staff and to ask questions about the September residential

Wednesday End of year Celebration Worship 9am at Holy Trinity Church – join us to celebrate the end of the academic year, and present certificates to many children!

PTFA organised Y6 leaver event
3.30pm outside Holy Trinity Church

Open Gate for the start of the new school year. Between 4pm and 4.30pm on Friday 4th September, the school playground gate will be open for any parents and carers to take their child to their new classroom for a look. We know that helps lots of children & their parents feel much happier about returning for the first day of the new school year! Join us!