

BLEAN PRIMARY SCHOOL



MESSAGE FROM MR ROWDEN

Although it was the last week of term, it certainly was a busy one! Year R went on their beach trip to Whitstable, took part in a beach clean, and learned about the marine life living on the shoreline. Today, Year 1 walked to the postbox to deliver some letters. All the children also took part in an Easter hunt, which was organised by the school council

On behalf of the staff, we wish you a very Happy Easter and hope you get to spend some valuable time with your loved ones. Stay safe, and we will see you on Tuesday, 22nd April



First Day of Term

Can we please remind you that due to it being a Bank Holiday the school will be closed on Monday 21st April.

We look forward to welcoming the children back for Term 5 on **Tuesday** 22nd April 2025.

Lost Ring

We have had a gold ring handed in to the school office, has been found in one of our classrooms. If you believe this could be yours please pop to the school office, when we return in Term 5.

Sports Kits

As the winter season is over, please can you check for any school sports kit and return it to school before the Easter holiday? We have a number of Rugby/Hockey tops, Football kits, sport socks and running tops missing. Thank you, Miss Irons

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Forest School

Please see the dates below for Forest School in Term 5 for KS1:

Jemison: 22.04.2025, 06.05.2025 Peake: 23.04.2025, 07.05.2025 Yassin: 29.04.2025, 13.05.2025 Singh: 30.04.2025, 14.05.2025

West: 24.04.2025, 08.05.2025 Imafidon: 01.05.2025, 15.05.2025

The children will be outdoors for each session, and must bring the following clothing to school: Long sleeved top, full length trousers, wellies/sturdy shoes or boots.

Other recommended items: Waterproofs. Gloves, hat, scarf and warm clothing for colder weather. (Please write child's name in all clothing). The children will need to ensure they have a water bottle to take with them.

If your child is in EYFS or Year 1, they should come to school wearing their forest school clothes and bring their school uniform to change into. Please leave their boots/wellies outside the classroom.

$Sports - First \ Day \ of \ Term \ 5$ On the first day of Term 5, Tuesday 22nd April can pupils in Years 4 & 6 please make sure they have their

outdoor games kit with them, as they will be having their sports lesson with a Cricket coach.

In addition, boys in Years 5 & 6 are invited to come to school on Tuesday 22nd April with their football kit (including shin pads and boots) to try out for a football tournament.

Pre-School Notice

Notice is given by Kent County Council to make the following prescribed alteration to Blean Primary School to permanently change the age range from 4-11 years to 3-11 years, to enable the school to run a preschool.

More information can be found on the school website by **clicking here**.

Year 6 Activities Week

This is a reminder that full payment for the Year 6 Activities Week is due by the **30th April 2025**. You can pay via the Reach More Parents App, under payments and offers. If you are having any difficulties paying, please contact the school office. Thank you.



School Meals

Our lunch provider Pabulum has unfortunately, due to rising costs, had to adjust the price of our school meals to ensure we continue providing nutritious and balanced meals to our pupils. Starting from **28th April 2025**, the new price for a school meal will be **£2.90**. We understand that any increase can be challenging, and we want to assure you that this decision was made by the provider with careful consideration.

We have noticed an increase in the number of outstanding balances for school meals. We kindly ask parents to check their current balance on **BlueRunner** and settle any outstanding amounts at your earliest convenience. If you have any queries regarding your account, please contact **nicolawright@pabulum-catering.co.uk**.

Athletics Event

With the summer approaching, here are the dates of the athletics events at Kent College JUNIOR School next term:

Friday 2nd May - 4:15pm start Saturday 17th May - 10am start Saturday 7th June - tbc start

All Blean School pupils (and their younger siblings) are welcome to attend. Please arrive in plenty of time, sign in for a number then meet Miss Irons near the tables to get a Blean top. There will be a number of running events and field events that each child can choose to participate in. Looking forward to seeing you there, Miss Irons.

Dot Kids Art Workshop

Dot Kids Art Club are running an Art workshop, inspired by Georgia O'Keeffe's Lakes, on Wednesday 9th April at 10:45am - 12:15pm at The Umbrella Centre, Whitstable. For more information and to book please see **here**.



Teacher Training

Each year we have potential teacher training places available via a non-salaried school direct route. We are in partnership with KMT and recruitment is open now for September 2025 admissions. Please click on the following links for more information.

1. How to apply guidance. 2. For eligibility criteria. 3. To register interest with KMT.



Rocksteady Concert

We were treated to a fantastic Rocksteady performance on Tuesday. We had everything from Tones and Dance Monkey to Metallica's Enter Sandman. It was fantastic to see how talented the children at Blean School are!

Mrs Coleman



Easter Scavenger Hunt

Today, the children took part in an Easter scavenger hunt organised by the school council. The children eagerly searched high and low for hidden Easter themed pictures scattered around the playground. Each picture contained a number of Easter-related items and pupils had to carefully count them and record their answers on an Easter colouring sheet. It was fantastic to see the excitement and enthusiasm from all the children. A big well done to everyone who took part - we hope you had fun.



Year R - Operation Clean Up

Our Year R pupils have been enthusiastically exploring the world of recycling right in their outdoor learning area. Last week, they took their learning beyond the classroom, engaging in hands-on activities that taught them the importance of recycling and how it impacts our environment. The children also wrote and illustrated their experiences, sharing what they learned about recycling with everyone.

















CUP WINNERS

This week's Cup Winners are...

Jemison - Eva for challenging herself in her learning.

Yassin - Emma for always following the Blean Bees.

Peake - Winnie for always being a kind and caring friend to her peers in Peake class.

Singh - Will for excellent explanation in Maths.

Imafidon - Lyus for his super efforts to do lots of reading at home.

West - Summer for publishing a wonderful biography.

Kariko - Mia for a fantastic first week, showing great confidence in answering questions and following the Blean Bees.

Amos - Andreas for always following the Blean Bees.

Agrawal - Jacob for increased independence in learning across all subjects and consistently following the Blean Bees.

Marhaver - Mehdi for his wonderful contributions to class discussions this week and demonstrating the school values of curiosity and collaboration.

Johnson - Samuel for excellent awareness in PE.

Packham - Josh for sharing his outstanding talent in piano performance at the Blean Spring Concert.

Mace - Ethen for always being ready to learn.

Seagull - Mara for great learning about The Silk Road in History.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

For term dates please click here.

 Term 5
 22.04.2025 - 23.05.2025

 Last Day of Term
 04.04.2025

 Bank Holiday - School Closed
 21.04.2025

 First Day of Term 5
 22.04.2025

 Year 2 Walk
 25.04.2025

 Year 6 Activity Week Information Meeting at 17:00pm
 28.04.2025

 Year 6 SATs Week
 w/c 12.05.2025

Inset Days 2024/25 Inset Days 2025/26

 21.07.2025
 01.09.2025

 22.07.2025
 19.12.2025

 23.02.2026
 20.07.2026

20.07.2026 21.07.2026

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We are pleased to inform you that this week's attendance winners are...

> Year 5 99%

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Maple 96.9%