



# BLEAN PRIMARY SCHOOL



## MESSAGE FROM MR ROWDEN

This week, we were delighted to welcome Mr Childs and Mrs Morris, the headteacher and deputy head from Ryarsh Primary School. It was a fantastic opportunity for us to exchange ideas and learn from each other. They were particularly impressed with our pupils' enthusiasm for learning and their excellent behaviour.

We celebrated the Lunar New Year on Wednesday with a special assembly led by Mrs Tseng. I would like to give a big thank you to Mrs Tseng for sharing with us the traditions and significance of this important cultural event.

Our young nature enthusiasts in KS1 took part in the Big Bird Watch this week. The children enjoyed spending time outdoors, observing and identifying various birds in our school grounds. We are proud of their dedication and curiosity!

## Inset Day

Can we please remind you that on **Monday 24th February** the school will be closed for an inset day. We look forward to seeing the children back in school on **Tuesday 25th February**.

## Hockey Club

There are still some spaces available for any girls in Years 4, 5 & 6 who wish to attend Hockey club. This club runs on Fridays, 3:25pm - 4:30pm. Please contact the school office if you would like to take part.

## Household Support Fund Payment

The Household Support Fund is a scheme funded by the government to help low-income households cover the cost of food, energy bills, and essential items such as school uniform and broadband. Families could be eligible for a £150 cash grant. The scheme is open until **28th February 2025**.

More information and the application form can be found [here](#).

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## *No Clubs - Wednesday 5th February*

Unfortunately, due to staff training, there will be no TT Rockstars or Singing & Dancing clubs after school next **Wednesday 5th February**. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused.

## *School Reports*

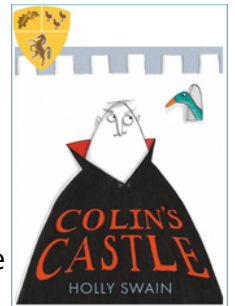
You will be receiving your child/ren's school report today. This will be sent to you via your Reach More Parents app. If you have any difficulties accessing the report, please contact the school office for assistance.

## *Year 1 & 2 - Author Visit*

We are excited to inform you that author Holly Swain will be in school for an event with Year 1 and 2 students on **Thursday, 6th February!**

We encourage you to buy the book prior to the event if you'd like your child to receive a signed copy from Holly. You can purchase the book using [this link](#).

Please note that all book orders must be placed by **Sunday, 2nd February**. Be sure to include your child's name and class in the 'info to seller' box.



## *Year 2 trip to Quex Park*

This term, Year 2 are learning about Invaders and Explorers in History. Therefore, they will be going to Quex Park for a workshop and to look around the Percy Powell Cotton museum on **Thursday, 13th February**.

The total cost of the trip is £16 per child; including the coach, entry to the museum and the workshops. This can be paid for via the Reach More Parents App, under payments and offers. Thank you.

## *Year 3 Swimming*

The Year 3 swimming payments are now live; you can access this payment via your Reach More Parents app. Alternatively, you can pay via the card machine at the school office. If you have a current Blean DBS and are able to help with swimming, please contact either your child's class teacher or the school office.

## *Year 4 Parent Share*

Year 4 will have a Parent Share taking place in the classrooms on **Friday 7th February, from 2:00pm until 3:00pm**. We will be making papier mâché volcano models, so please wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty.

If you have any plastic bottles, cardboard or spare newspaper at home, please can this be brought into school the no later than Monday 3rd February.

## *Year 6 Activities Week*

This is a reminder that full payment for the Year 6 Activities Week is due by the **30th April 2025**. This can be paid in installments. You can pay via the Reach More Parents App, under payments and offers. Thank you.



## Cross Country

Kent College JUNIOR school will be running Cross Country events again for all year groups and younger siblings.

The dates are as follows:

**Saturday 8th February** – Register before 10am

**Friday 28th February** – Registration at 4pm

**Friday 14th March** - Registration at 4pm

Please arrive early as parking can be very difficult. Sign in, then meet Miss Irons under the tree near the sign-in tables. I look forward to seeing my regular runners and some new faces. It would be great to have more runners! Miss Irons.



## Lunar New Year Assembly

Mrs. Tseng, a parent at our school, led an assembly this week that provided pupils with the opportunity to learn about the traditions and cultural significance of the Lunar New Year. She shared insights into the history and customs associated with this celebration. To add to the experience, Mrs. Tseng even handed out prizes, which the pupils loved.



## Year R Parent Share

On Wednesday, Year R held a Parents Share where the children worked with their adults to create different 'Lunar New Year' creative activities. They all had lots of fun and using their artistic skills they made Chinese lanterns, mobile snakes, dragons (out of recycled resources) and some even had a go at painting numbers in Chinese.





# CUP WINNERS

## This week's Cup Winners are...

- Jemison - Salman** for fantastic effort in Phonics.
- Yassin - Olivia** for always being super creative and helping others.
- Peake - Elsa** for always demonstrating our Blean Bees and being ready for her learning each day.
- Singh - Jack** for great participation in PE this week.
- Imafidon - Simone** for her enthusiasm and effort in all of her learning this week.
- West - Alex** for demonstrating greater stamina.
- Kariko - Oliver** for his impressive knowledge of times tables.
- Amos - Maxim** for his fantastic attitude to his learning and the amazing writing he has done this week.
- Agrawal - Millie** for producing a fantastic self-portrait in the style of Henri Matisse.
- Marhaver - Zakaria** for powerful use of vocabulary and description in his writing about Pompeii and Vesuvius.
- Johnson - Ibrahim** for super work in English describing Grendel in Beowulf and **Rachel** for an excellent attitude to her learning and super work in English.
- Packham - Teo** for showing great responsibility and resilience in his learning whilst applying the three Blean Bees.
- Mace - Mya** and **Emma** for a great presentation for World Religion Day.
- Seagull - Ben** for a fantastic effort with the presentation of his learning, particularly in his English book.

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

**Year 4**  
**98.6%**

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

**Maple**  
**95.5%**

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

For term dates please [click here](#).

Term 3	06.01.2025 - 14.02.2025	Inset Days 2024/25	
Year R Parent Share	29.01.2025	24.02.2025	
Year 3 Swimming Lessons	31.01.2025	21.07.2025	
Year 1 & 2 Author Visit	06.02.2025	22.07.2025	
Year 4 Parent Share	07.02.2025	Forest School Dates	
Year 3 Swimming Lessons	07.02.2025	Amos Class: 03.02.2025	Marhaver Class: 04.02.2025
Year R Hearing Screener	11.02.2025	Kariko Class: 10.02.2025	Agrawal Class: 11.02.2025
Year 2 Quex Park Trip	13.02.2025	Packham Class: 06.02.2025	Mace Class: 05.02.2025
<b>Last day of Term</b>	<b>14.02.2025</b>	Johnson Class: 13.02.2025	Seagull Class: 12.02.2025
<b>Inset Day - School Closed</b>	<b>24.02.2025</b>		
First Day of Term 4	25.02.2025		