



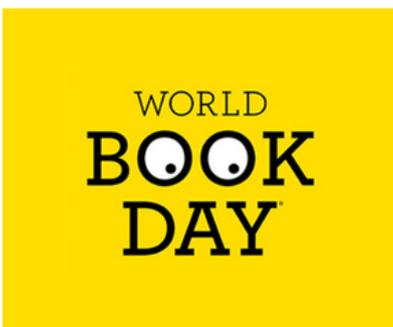
MESSAGE FROM MR ROWDEN

What a busy week it has been! On Wednesday, we had a visit from some Japanese trainee teachers. They spent the day observing across the school and in Year 5 teaching the children to count in Japanese, how to do origami and calligraphy.

On Thursday, we had Courtney Orange visit the school. Courtney was a GB athlete who took part in the Commonwealth games as a gymnast. Every class took part in his active lesson followed by a whole school assembly. A huge thank you to all those who collected sponsor money for the day.

Finally, Blean Primary held its World Book Day today. So many of you took part including some parents! I visited every class this morning and it was so lovely to see a broad range of characters from so many books. Thank you for taking part!

I wish you a very lovely weekend.



Extended School Safety

Just a quick reminder to all parents and carers, when dropping off or collecting from Extended School, can you please make sure the gate is fully closed behind you.

Keeping the gate properly shut is essential for safeguarding and overall site security. Thank you in advance for taking the time to check the gate is secure and helping us maintain a safe environment for all of the children.

PTFA Uniform Sale

We will be holding our Second Hand Uniform Sale on the following date:

- 19th March

Cash and card payments accepted

Cross Country Races

All pupils and younger siblings are invited to join the **Blean Runners at Kent College JUNIOR School's Cross Country** events on the following dates:

Friday 13th March: Register before 4pm

Please arrive early as parking can be very difficult. Sign in, then meet Miss Irons under the tree near the sign-in tables. We really hope to see as many runners as possible. Miss Irons.

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Medical Appointments

Where possible, we kindly ask that medical and dental appointments are arranged outside of school hours. We understand that this is not always possible, particularly when appointments are allocated to you, but if you are able to choose an appointment time, please try to book it outside the school day. Thank you for your support in helping us maximise learning time for the children.

Reporting Your Child Absent

When reporting your child's absence, please ensure you clearly state the reason and include any symptoms they may be experiencing (for example: fever, sickness, cough, sore throat, etc.). This helps us to keep accurate records and monitor illnesses within school.

May we also remind you that if you wish to report your child absent you can either email the absence email on absence@blean.kent.sch.uk or telephone the school office and selecting option 1.

Thank you.

Solihull Workshop

Please see the flyer for the Solihull 10 week course, which looks at child development and behaviour. Please contact Miss Llewellyn for more information or to book your place: senco@blean.kent.sch.uk.



REAL Learning Experts Survey

At Blean School, we are passionate about making learning as REAL (Real Experiences Authentic Learning) as possible by helping children connect their learning to real life, future careers and opportunities.

To support this, we are creating a REAL Experts Directory of parents, carers and community members who may be willing to share their experiences with the children. This could be through answering questions, giving a short talk (in person or online), sharing resources or giving feedback on children's work.

There is no expectation of regular commitment - teachers will simply contact you if your experience links to current learning and you can decide if you are available.

If you feel you could help, or know someone who could, please complete the form by [clicking here](#).



REMINDERS

Year 4 Workshop

As part of the children's learning about the Romans, we are delighted to let you know that we have arranged an exciting event which will be delivered by 'Living History Workshops' on **Wednesday 11th March 2026** for all the children in Year 4. The activities will take place at school and will involve the use of costume, drama, craft and historical artefacts.

The payment of £5.00 is available on your Parent Pay app. Please ensure that payment is made no later than **Monday 9th March**.

Year 6 Activities Week

The remaining balance for Year 6 Activities Week is now available on ParentPay. You can pay in instalments or use the card machine in the school office.

The deadline for payment is **Friday 1st May 2026**. If you are having difficulty with the cost but would still like your child to attend, please contact the School Business Manager in confidence to discuss support.



Commonwealth Gymnast Visit

The children had the most amazing time with Courtney Orange on Thursday. The morning was filled with lots of different activities. Thank you to those who have sent in their sponsor money already.

Please ensure that the sponsorship form and money are returned to the school office **no later than Thursday 12th March**.

Evergreens Forest School - Change of Date

Please note that Evergreens will have a change of Forest School Day. They will have Forest School on Monday 16th March instead of Tuesday 17th March. This is for this week only. Thank you.

Tennis Doubles Competition

Are you in Year 2-6 and have tennis lessons out of school?

If so, there is a Tennis Doubles Competition in the summer term that you can enter. As entries need to be booked well in advance, I am asking now for who would be interested in taking part so we can pair up players and send in our entries. If you would like to enter, please let the office know your name, year and the colour ball that you play (red, orange or green). We have had some good success in the past 2 years and it would be great to enter more teams this year. Thank you, Miss Irons

WORLD BOOK DAY



AMAZING



CUP WINNERS

This week's Cup Winners are...

- Catman - Felix** for brilliant writing.
- Pettman - Amber** for being a resilient squirrel.
- Dore - Philippa** for demonstrating super confidence and standing in front of the class.
- King - Rafe** for showing curiosity in Art and experimenting with line and pattern.
- Bailey - Isabelle** for her fantastic diary entry and amazing adjectives.
- Cooper - Philippa** for improvements in her handwriting.
- Moses - Ioli** for a beautifully written diary entry which she took great care and attention over.
- Russo - Amelie** for writing a beautifully presented diary entry.
- Barnes - Rupert** for resilience in Art.
- Delahunt - Faith** for super effort in Maths and times tables.
- Denly - Kitty** for consistently producing beautifully presented work, going above and beyond expectations.
- Gurnah - Rohan** for wonderful handwriting and amazing presentation.
- Shariff - Corinna & Alex** for their great Art exploration of L. S. Lowry.
- Thomas - Jack** for increased focus and participation in English and Maths lessons.

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

Year R
99.8%

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

Maple
99%

We are pleased to inform you that this week's Walk once a Week winners are...

Year 6 - Thomas
Class
19 children

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

Term 3	05.01.2026 - 13.02.2026
Year 4 Roman Workshop	11.03.2026
Year 5 Geography Trip	11.03.2026
Year 3 Swimming	11.03.2026
Year 6 Walk for Water	20.03.2026
Year 3 Swimming	20.03.2026
Comic Relief	20.03.2026
Year R Beach Trip	20.03.2026

Inset Days 2025/26

- 20.07.2026
- 21.07.2026

P.E Days

- Year R** - Wednesday
- Year 1** - Monday & Friday
- Year 2** - Tuesday & Thursday
- Year 3** - Thursday & Friday (Swimming)
- Year 4** - Monday & Friday
- Year 5** - Wednesday & Friday
- Year 6** - Monday & Friday

Additional P.E. Days

- Tuesday 3rd March - Year 4 & Reception

Forest School Dates

- Year R - Monday**
Catman - 9th March & 23rd March
Pettman - 16th & 30th March
- Year 1 - Thursday**
Dore - 12th & 26th March
King - 19th March & Wednesday 1st April (**change of date**)
- Year 2 - Friday**
Bailey - 13th, 27th March
Cooper - 20th March, Thursday 2nd April (**change of date**)
- Saplings - Wednesday**
Every Wednesday, starting 4th March
- Evergreens - Tuesday**
Every Tuesday, starting from 3rd March