



MESSAGE FROM MR ROWDEN

The scaffolding around the front of the school building is starting to come down. Despite slight set backs with the weather, all of our roofs that needed repairs will hopefully be completed by the time we return after the Easter break. Thank you for your patience whilst these essential works are carried out.

I have been asked by a few parents on any news regarding the Canterbury development plan which includes Blean Primary School relocating to a new site. I have received no further information following my initial letter when the plan was released to the public. We will continue to have the mindset of 'business as usual'.

We all wish you a wonderful Easter break whatever you get up to. Stay safe and enjoy the time with your family. We look forward to seeing you when we return on **Monday 15th April 2024.** Hopefully, the weather will improve for the start of Term 5!

PTFA Quiz Night

Come and join the PTFA for an evening of fun and quizzing to help raise money for a brand new music room for the children. The evening will be hosted by a celebrity local Quizmaster! Each table can hold 8 people, so do get a group together yourself or buy individual tickets and we will create the table for you. The form is now available via the Reach More Parents App under Forms. We look forward to seeing you there! Please email

<u>ptfa@blean.kent.sch.uk</u> if you have any questions.

Team Theme

Team Theme will once again be running their popular holiday camp during the Easter break. For more information and to book click <u>here</u>



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Braiswick Photos

The proofs from Braiswick came home with the children yesterday, Wednesday 27th March. If you wish to place an order, please do so before Tuesday 16th April. Thank you.

New Dinner Menu - CH & CO

Please click **here** to see the new school dinner menu for terms 5 and 6. They will run on a 3 week rota. We will start on week 1 when we return to school on Monday 15th April. If you have any problems with ordering meals, please email **schoolmealordering@chandcogroup.com**.

Parent Consultation Evenings

Parents' evening will be held on **Tuesday 23rd April** and **Thursday 25th April 2024**. Appointments for parent consultations are now live via the Parents Booking site.

Solihull Approach - 10 Week Course

On Wednesday 20th March we sent out a flyer for some training for Parents/Carers to attend. This course is for 10 weeks which looks at child development and behaviour. If you would like to attend, please contact Miss Llewellyn on 01227 471254 or **senco@blean.kent.sch.uk**. Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for more information.

Year 6 SATs Week

Please may we remind you that children in Year 6 will sit their SATs the week commencing **Monday 13th May to Thursday 16th May.** Thank you

Year 4 - Living History Workshop

This is a reminder that full payment for the Year 4 Living History Workshop is due by the **16th April 2024.** You can pay via the Reach More Parents App, under payments and offers. Thank you.

Year 6 - Activities Week

This is a reminder that full payment for the Year 6 Activities Week is due by the **30th April 2024**. This can be paid in installments. You can pay via the Reach More Parents App, under payments and offers. Thank you.



Secondary School Open Days - Year 5 Children

Secondary schools are beginning to hold open days and taster events for Year 5 children. We will share any information with year 5 parents/carers via the Reach More Parents app – please keep an eye on your newsfeed!

Tea & Topics - Early Writing

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Tea and Topics on Tuesday afternoon either in person or virtually. It was lovely to see so many of you. The presentation which was shared about early writing in EYFS and writing in KS1 has been uploaded onto the class pages of Google Classroom for EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 for your reference. We hope you find it useful.

Mrs Watson, Miss Bransfield and Mrs Prior

Canterbury Food Bank Sponsored Walk

On Tuesday Disney Class completed a sponsored walk. We were collecting food donations to support the Canterbury Food Bank. Last term two members of the team came and spoke to the children. We were inspired to want to help people in local communities. Everyone enjoyed the Spring sunshine as we walked a mile around the school field. Our thanks go to all the families, friends and neighbours of Disney class children who generously donated. A representative from the Food Bank came today to collect the many bags, they were wowed by number of items.



Forest School Dates - Term 5

We are proud of our exciting on-site Forest School programme, which is run by our dedicated Forest School Leader- Mr Widdicombe-Dutch. Please see the year groups and dates for Term 5. We would like to remind parents that children will need to bring a long sleeved top, full length trousers, wellies/sturdy shoes or boots and a warm coat. Clothes are likely to become wet/dirty, so please don't send anything you don't want to get soiled.

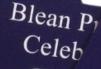
EYFS - Mornings

Holland - 16.04.24, 30.04.24 & 14.05.24 Oliver - 23.04.24 & 07.05.24 <u>Year 1 - Afternoons</u> Knightley - 18.04.24, 02.05.24 & 16.05.24 Tajiri - 25.04.24 & 09.05.24

Year 2 - Mornings

Wiltshire - 19.04.24, 03.05.24 & 17.05.24 Disney - 26.04.25 & 10.05.24







This week's Cup Winners are...

Oliver - Florence for her fantastic effort and progress in Phonics and Reading **Holland -** Marco for sharing his fantastic knowledge during term 4's topic. **Tajiri -** Mason for his fantastic learning attitude.

Knightley - Harikesh for a wonderful letter written home to your Mummy and Daddy.

Wiltshire - Faith for her super Little People, Big Dreams book all about Millie Knight.

Disney - Josie for her improvements in Writing.

Underwood - Chrysanthos for his focus during lesson time and his resilience with his Writing.

Jordan - Sochika for his improved focus and hard work across all lessons resulting in outstanding pieces of work.

Aderin-Pocock - TJ for working very hard on his Handwriting.

Watson - Carter for demonstrating all the school values. Carter is such a fantastic example to all.

Bloom - Simba for excellent Writing in English.

Radcliffe - Gus for working tremendously hard in Maths.

Phelps - Ralphie for developing focus in Maths.

Spielberg - Henry for a super effort at Walk for Water.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

For future events and term dates please <u>click here</u> to see the School Calendar on our Website.

Term 4 End of Term 4 - 14:30pm Finish First Day of Term 5 Year 4 Living History Workshop Year 2 Walk to the Church Parents' Evening Parents' Evening	20.02.2024 - 28.03.2024 28.03.2024 15.04.2024 16.04.2024 22.04.2024 23.04.2024 25.04.2024 25.04.2024	Forest School Dates Holland - 16.04.24, 30.04.24 & 14.05.24 Oliver - 23.04.24 & 07.05.24 Knightley - 18.04.24, 02.05.24 & 16.05.24 Tajiri - 25.04.24 & 09.05.24 Wiltshire - 19.04.24, 03.05.24 & 16.05.24 Disney - 26.04.24 & 10.05.24
PTFA Quiz Night Bank Holiday - No School for Children Year 6 SATs Week Year 6 Activities Week End of Term 5 Term 6 Begins PTFA Non-Bottle Collection PTFA Bottle Collection Summer Fair	26.04.2024 06.05.2024 13.05.2024 - 16.05.2024 20.05.2024 - 23.05.2024 23.05.2024 03.06.2024 07.06.2024 17.06.2024 22.06.2024	Inset Days 2023/2024 24.05.2024 Inset Days 2024/2025 02.09.2024 25.10.2024 24.02.2025 21.07.2025 22.07.2025

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

Blean Pr

Year 5 98%

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

> Chestnut 96.6%



'Understanding your Child'

A Solihull Group for Parents, Carers and Grandparents facilitated by

Miss Llewellyn and Mrs Gibbens

A 10 week course which looks at child development and

behaviour.

Course dates 18/4, 25/4, 2/5, 9/5, 16/5, 21/5, 6/6, 13/6, 21/6 and 27/6 Session times 2:00-3:25

Refreshments are provided.

Please contact Miss Llewellyn for more information or to book your place on 01227 471254 or on

senco@blean.kent.sch.uk

For the course to be the most successful for you and your child we ask that all sessions are attended. Maximum of 2 places per family.

