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MESSAGE FROM MR ROWDEN

Two of our school ambassadors led their very first assembly this week. Zach and Isabel in Year 6 came up with the idea of focusing on kindness. Their message was about sharing the gift of kindness, and they set all children the challenge of showing kindness to one another, including us adults!

It was a truly lovely assembly and all the children showed great respect as they listened to Zach and Isabel's reflections on why kindness matters so much. Well done, Zach and Isabel, we are very proud of you both!

A big thank you to everyone who donated bottled items for the Christmas Fair. Don't forget, next Friday straight after school the fair will open and we look forward to seeing you there. All proceeds will go towards resources for our wonderful school.

Early Finish -Last Day of Term

On the last day of term, Thursday 18th December, the children will finish at 2.30pm. If your child normally attends Extended School on this day, please be aware that it will run from 2.30pm until 5.00pm. If your child is not attending on this day, please email extended school.



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Collecting from Clubs

As the evenings get darker, we're asking parents and carers to come down to the school office door when collecting children from after-school clubs. Waiting at the top of the ramp makes it hard for staff to see who's there in low light. Coming to the door helps us hand children over safely and keeps collection running smoothly. Thank you for your support.

Clubs - Last Week of Term

A reminder of the following arrangements for the last week of term, commencing **Monday 15th December:**

- There will be no after-school clubs during this week.
- Tennis will finish on Thursday 11th December.
- Martial Arts:
 - KS1 finishes on Tuesday 9th December
 - KS2 finishes on Thursday 11th December
- Extended School will run as normal throughout the week, except Thursday, when it will finish at
 5:00pm.

Extended School Collection

When arriving to collect your child from Extended School, please use the intercom system. When entering and leaving the site, ensure the gate is closed firmly behind you. Thank you for your cooperation.

Christmas Goody Bags and Raffle Tickets

Your child should have brought home a goody bag and raffle tickets from the PTFA last week for the Christmas Fair.

Raffle Tickets: Fill out your details and return the tickets to the School. You can pay by cash or card at the School Office, additional tickets will also be available from the Office. You're welcome to purchase as many or as few tickets as you'd like.

Goody Bags: Kindly fill the goody bags with 5 items suitable for a child and return these filled bags to the School Office. Items could include stationery and small toys. No sweets or chocolates please! Goody bags to be returned by the **1st December**. If you're unable to fill a goody bag, please just return the empty bag.

Donations of items for the Tombola can still be dropped off at the School Office.

Thank you for your support.

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Reception Intake September 2026

If your child was born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022, they are due to start school next September. Visit Kent Primary Admissions for details, or contact primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk or 03000 412 121. Applications open on Friday 7 November 2025 and close on Thursday 15 January 2026.

All tour dates are now full. To join the waiting list, contact the school office on 01227 471254 (Option 5) or office@blean.kent.sch.uk. If you have a sibling due to start next September, please email the office if you plan to apply, even if you won't be attending a tour.

Year 3 Dover Museum Trip

As part of their History learning, Year 3 will visit Dover Museum on Wednesday 3rd December to explore Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age artefacts. The trip costs £17 per child, covering transport and entry. Payment will be available on Parent Pay and is **due by Monday 1st December**.

We will require a number of parent helpers to accompany us on the day. If you hold a current Blean DBS and are available to help, we would be very grateful for your support. Please let your class teacher know if you are able to help.

Year 6 Activities Week

We're excited for Year 6 Activities Week! To secure your child's place, a £30 non-refundable deposit is due by Friday, 12th December.

The total cost for the week is £267.75. After paying the deposit, you can choose to:

- Pay the remaining balance in full, or
- Pay in instalments, with the final payment due by 1st May.

Christmas Performances

Please remember to book your tickets for our upcoming Christmas performances:

- Pre-School: Tickets can be booked by **clicking here.**
- Years R, 1, 2 and Year 6: Please book through the **parent booking system.**

If you experience any issues or need assistance, don't hesitate to call the school office.

Thank you for your support—we look forward to seeing you at the performances!

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This week's Cup Winners are...

Catman - Caleb for brilliant progress in writing.

Pettman - Addy for being a resilient squirrel.

Dore - Avin for working hard and trying her best in Maths.

King - Emmy for being resilient in your writing and producing a fantastic letter.

Bailey - Reyna for her amazing writing, especially her similes in our recount.

Cooper - Marco for developing his handwriting.

Moses - Harikesh for a fantastic week of learning.

Russo - Albert for excellent use of comparative conjunctions when writing about the Stone Age compared to modern life.

Barnes - Gabriela for being respectful.

Delahunt - Alex for resilience and collaboration with is learning.

Denly - Alexandros for always showing 'be ready' in his learning.

Gurnah - **Henry** for his amazing writing on the first child in space.

Shariff - TJ for great focus in reading comprehension.

Thomas - Dawisy for carefully constructed and thoughtful monologues in English.

Evergreens - Rosie - for a fantastic persuasive speech.

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

> Year 6 98.2%

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

> Maple 98.1%

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

Year 6 Shariff 20

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

For term dates please click here.

Term 2	27.10.2025 - 18.10.2025	<u>Inset Days 2025/26</u>	<u>Forest School Dates</u>
New Entrant Tour	02.12.2025		Year 3
Year 3 Dover Museum Trip	03.12.2025	23.02.2026 20.07.2026 21.07.2026	Moses - 8 th Dec Russo – 1 st Dec, 15 th Dec
Tea & Topics - Behaviour	10.12.2025		
Delahunt Class Parent Consultations	11.12.2025	Additional P.E. Days Tuesday 2 nd	Year 4 Barnes - 9 th Dec Delahunt – 2 nd Dec & 16 th Dec
End of Term - 2.30pm Finish	18.12.2025	December - Year 4	
			Year 5
<u>Christmas Dates</u>		Denly - 12 th Dec	
Christmas Fair	05.12.2025 - 3.30pm - 5.30	0pm	Gurnah – 5 th Dec & Thurs 18 th Dec (Change of Date)
EYFS Christmas Songs	09.12.2025 - 9.30am 10.12.2025 - 9.30am		(Change of Date)
Dore Class Christmas Songs			
King Class Christmas Songs	10.12.2025 - 10.30am		Year 6 Shariff - 10 th Dec
Pre-School Christmas	11.12.2025 - 9.00am		Thomas – 3 rd Dec & 17 th Dec
Performance			
Y6 Christmas Songs	12.12.2025 - 2.00pm		
Y2 Christmas Play	16.12.2025 - 9.30am or 2.	15pm	
Christmas Dinner	17.12.2025		