



## MESSAGE FROM MR ROWDEN & MISS SATTERLEY

This week we have enjoyed celebrating STEM Week across the school, with a range of engaging lessons and live assemblies that encouraged pupils to explore science, technology, engineering and mathematics in exciting ways. One highlight of the week was a visit from Dr Charlie, who spoke to the children about the importance of curiosity in science and shared insights into the world of medicine. The pupils were fascinated and inspired by his talk.

Year 4 pupils also took part in a Living History Roman Workshop, where they had the opportunity to step back in time and experience what life was like during the Roman era through hands-on activities and storytelling. Meanwhile, Year 5 enjoyed a field trip, extending their learning beyond the classroom and giving them the chance to explore and discover in a real-world setting.

On Wednesday we were proud to recognise Young Carers Action Day. We took time to thank our young carers for the incredible support they provide to their families. To celebrate them, we enjoyed a small gathering with treats, bubbles and dancing as a way of showing our appreciation for their hard work and dedication.

It has been a wonderful week of learning, celebration and community spirit across the school.



## PTFA Uniform Sale

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

- 19<sup>th</sup> March

Cash and card payments accepted



### SECOND HAND UNIFORM



WE WILL ALSO BE SELLING NEW ITEMS:  
NON LOGO BROWN FLEECE, BLEAN BOOK BAGS, CAPS,  
WATER BOTTLES & FOREST SCHOOL PUDDLE SUITS



IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO MAKE OUR SALE DATES AND WOULD LIKE TO ORDER, PLEASE EMAIL US [PTFA@BLEAN.KENT.SCH.UK](mailto:PTFA@BLEAN.KENT.SCH.UK)



## 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](mailto:senco@blean.kent.sch.uk).



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## REMINDERS

### *Last Day of Term - Early Finish*

Please can we remind you that on the last day of term, **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**, the children will **finish at 2:30pm**. If your child(ren) will be attending Extended School on this day, please be aware that it will **run from 2:30pm - 5:00pm**.

### *Comic Relief - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March*

We will be supporting Comic Relief on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March**. To help raise awareness and show our support, children are invited to come to school wearing anything red on the day, this is a non school uniform day.

Thank you for helping us support this fantastic cause and for encouraging the children to take part. If you would like to do so, you can [donate to Comic Relief here](#).

**Reminder for Year 3** - Just a gentle reminder that Year 3 will still have their swimming lesson on this day. When planning your child's outfit, please bear this in mind. For example face paint or hair colouring can't be worn in the swimming pool. Thank you for your understanding and support.

### *Year 6 Secondary School Offers*

Dear Parents & Carers of children in Year 6, to accept the secondary school place offered to your child on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, parents need to email the school directly using the contact details shown in your offer day email. This is a reminder to please **accept your place by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March**. For further guidance, [please click here](#). Thank you, The Year 6 team.

### *Tea & Topics Session*

All parents & carers are invited to attend our forthcoming Tea and Topics session, hosted by Miss Llewellyn and Mr Rowden, on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March from 2:00-3:00pm**. This session will focus on Inclusion Support within the school, offering an overview of how we meet the needs of pupils who require additional support. We will also provide updates on the Local Authority's new locality-based model and how we access external support where needed and discuss statutory pathways, including Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs).

Please can you confirm your attendance via your Parent Booking account. If you have any difficulties in accessing your account, please contact [enquiries@blean.kent.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@blean.kent.sch.uk). We kindly ask for one adult per family to attend as there will be a maximum of 25 spaces. We look forward to welcoming you and discussing how we are continually adapting to support our pupils and families.



## REMINDERS

### *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](#).

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### *Request for Donations*

We would be very grateful if anyone has any unwanted children's puzzles at home that are no longer being used and would be willing to donate them for use in our Nest. If you are able to help, please hand any puzzles in at the school office.

Additionally, if anyone has any gardening tools, seeds or other gardening resources that they would be willing to donate to our new greenhouse in Forest School, we would be very grateful. Thank you for your support.

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### *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.



### *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



## *Year 6 Maths Competition Trophy*

We are delighted to share that we have now received the Year 6 Maths Competition trophy following our team's fantastic win a few weeks ago. We are incredibly proud of the pupils who took part and represented the school so brilliantly.

The trophy is currently on display in the school reception area, so please do take a moment to have a look when you are visiting the school.



## *A Thoughtful Letter from Amoré*

Amoré recently shared her concerns with Miss Satterley about the disagreements currently happening around the world. Wanting to make a positive difference, Amoré decided to express her thoughts and feelings to people and organisations who work to support peace and children's rights. She wrote a heartfelt letter to the local MP, UNICEF, Peace Direct, Amnesty International and Save the Children.



On Thursday afternoon, Amoré and Miss Satterley took a walk to the post box to send the letters on their way. We are all hoping Amoré receives some replies soon!

What a wonderful example of courage, compassion and taking action. Well done, Amoré, for being a true agent of change and using your voice to stand up for what you believe in!

## *A Visit from Dr Charlie*

We had an exciting visitor this week. Dr Charlie came to show us some of the interesting tools he uses in his job. Our volunteers had their eyes checked, their hearing tested and their hearts and lungs listened to. Thank you, Dr Charlie, for coming to speak to us. We really enjoyed it



## *Invicta East Kent Athletics Club Track Appeal*

The Athletics track at Invicta East Kent Athletics Club is now 26 years old, has completely worn out and in desperate need of replacing. A fundraising appeal is under way to replace the whole track with a goal of £350k.

To help with this, a number of Blean school children, who attend this club are taking part in a Midnight Mile run, at the track on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. A [Go Fund Me Page](#) has been set up for anyone wishing to support the children and help save Canterbury's Athletics track. Thank you.





# CUP WINNERS

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

- Catman - Emilia** for wonderful writing.
- Pettman - Rugwiro** for exploring all areas of the environment.
- Dore - Stephanie** for writing a super re-tell of our book Meerkat Mail.
- King - Olivia** for showing curiosity in your learning and trying a range of activities.
- Bailey - Janan** for her fantastic attitude to her learning and always trying her best.
- Cooper - Henry** for applying number facts to measurement.
- Moses - Kimathi** for demonstrating excellent understanding in Maths and sharing 'how he knows' with the class.
- Russo - Laurie** for writing a detailed setting description with excellent prepositions.
- Barnes - Anna** for amazing effort in Maths.
- Delahunt - Naavya** for excellent spoken Spanish.
- Denly - Zayan** for being incredibly helpful to his teachers and consistently showing the Blean Bees.
- Gurnah - James** for amazing presentation of all his learning.
- Shariff - Sammy** for helpfully noticing things that need doing.
- Thomas - Holly & Robyn** for showing fantastic collaborative work in Science.

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

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

**Year 1**  
**98.1%**

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

**Chestnut**  
**98%**

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

**Year 6 - Shariff & Thomas Class**  
**19 children**

<b>Term 4</b>	<b>24/02/2026 - 02/04/2026</b>	<b><u>Inset Days 2025/26</u></b>	<b><u>Forest School Dates</u></b>
Second Hand Uniform Sale	19.03.2026	20.07.2026	<b>Year R - Monday</b>
Comic Relief	20.03.2026	21.07.2026	<b>Catman - 23<sup>rd</sup> March</b>
Year 6 Walk for Water	20.03.2026		<b>Pettman - 16<sup>th</sup> &amp; 30<sup>th</sup> March</b>
Year 3 Swimming	20.03.2026	<b><u>P.E Days</u></b>	<b>Year 1 - Thursday</b>
Tea & Topics - Inclusion Support	25.03.2026	<b>Year R - Wednesday</b>	<b>Dore - 26<sup>th</sup> March</b>
Year R Beach Trip	27.03.2026	<b>Year 1 - Monday &amp; Friday</b>	<b>King - 19<sup>th</sup> March &amp; Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April (change of date)</b>
Parent Constulations	30.03.2026	<b>Year 2 - Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b>	<b>Year 2 - Friday</b>
Parent Consultations	01.04.2026	<b>Year 3 - Thursday &amp; Friday (Swimming)</b>	<b>Bailey - 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>
		<b>Year 4 - Monday &amp; Friday</b>	<b>Cooper - 20<sup>th</sup> March, Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April (change of date)</b>
		<b>Year 5 - Wednesday &amp; Friday</b>	<b>Saplings - Wednesday</b>
		<b>Year 6 - Monday &amp; Friday</b>	Every Wednesday, starting 4 <sup>th</sup> March
		<b><u>Additional P.E. Days</u></b>	<b>Evergreens - Tuesday</b>
		Tuesday 17th March -	Every Tuesday, starting from 3 <sup>rd</sup> March
		Year 3 & 5	