



BLEAN PRIMARY SCHOOL



MESSAGE FROM MR ROWDEN

This will be the final newsletter of the year and what a fantastic year it has been at Blean Primary! There are too many moments to mention but a real highlight of the year was the opening of our brand-new library. This has generated a real buzz around the school and our pupils seem to have immersed themselves in reading since it has opened.

We say our goodbyes to our Year 6 pupils next week. On Monday and Tuesday this week, they performed their production of Oliver! to friends and family. They all did such an amazing job. On behalf of all the staff, we wish all of Year 6 the very best for their futures and we can't wait to hear how they are getting on in their secondary schools!

I would personally like to thank each and every member of staff who work tirelessly to ensure the school is running to the best of its ability. A huge thank you to all of our pupils in each year group. You all have had an amazing year. I am awe of your attitude towards learning and the resilience you demonstrate each and every day.

Finally, thank you to parents and carers. We have had so many positive comments and feedback from our parent questionnaire this year. **Please do take a look at our outcomes.** We will be spending part of the summer reading your comments on how we can improve and endeavour to make adjustments where we can.

Our last day of term will be Tuesday 23rd July. We will be finishing at 2.30pm on this day, and **Extended School with finish at 5:00pm.** Have a wonderful summer break whatever you are up to and remember our school rule, Be Safe!

Year 6 Leavers' Events

Please see below for the Year 6 Leavers' Events.

Prom
FRIDAY 19TH JULY
6:00 - 7:30PM

Leavers' Assembly
TUESDAY 23RD JULY
10AM

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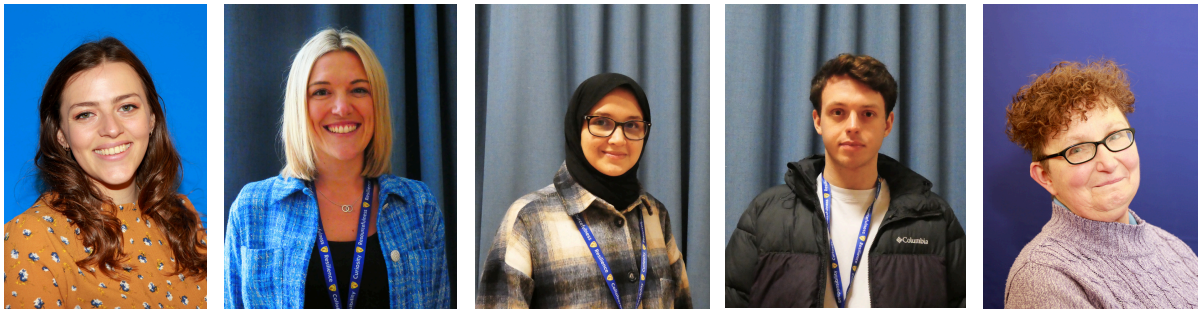
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Farewell!

We will be saying goodbye to some of our staff at the end of this term. I am sure you will join me in saying thank you for all of their hard work since they have been at Blean Primary.

Mrs Lewis-Gardiner is relocating to Herefordshire. She has been teaching at Blean since 2017 and has been a member of the senior leadership team over the last couple of years. Good luck and thank you, we will miss you! Miss Moss who has been teaching in Year 1 this year will be leaving too. Thank you so much for making learning fun. Teaching assistants, Mrs Amiri and Mr Chapman, will also be moving on. Mrs Amiri will be training to be a secondary school teacher and Mr Chapman will be pursuing a career following his masters degree. Thank you for your hard work this year and good luck. Finally, Ms Harding, who has been a Midday Meal Supervisor as well as supporting reading will be retiring at the end of term. She has worked at Blean for over 15 years. We wish you a happy retirement and thank you for your work during your time with us!



Memories

Please see below images from some of the memories we have made this year:





REMINDERS

Extended School

On Tuesday 23rd July School will finish at 2:30pm, therefore Extended School will run from 2.30pm - 5:00pm. Please be aware that Extended School are now unable to make any more changes to the bookings for Term 1.

Term 1 Dinner Menus

For your information our dinner menu will be **week number 3** when we return on Tuesday 3rd September. Don't forget you can view all our weekly menus [here](#).

First Day of Term - September 2024

Please remember that Monday 2nd September is a Staff Development Day, therefore there will be no school for the children. We look forward to seeing the children back at school on **Tuesday 3rd September**.

Lost Property

We have quite a collection of unnamed, non school uniform items of clothing in our lost property. These will be in the School Lobby on **Monday 22nd July and Tuesday 23rd July** for you to look through. Anything that has not been claimed by the end of Tuesday will be donated. Thank you.

Last Day of Term - Lunch Options

Please be aware that on **Tuesday 23rd July**, the school lunch option will be as follows:

Main: Pepperoni pizza with sweetcorn and veggie sticks.

Vegetarian: Cheese and tomato pizza with sweetcorn and veggie sticks

There will be a **gluten free & dairy free option**. There will still be the option of a jacket potato. Other dietary and allergen information is soya beans. Thank you

Forest School Dates for Term 1

Please see below the Forest School dates for Term 1. Can we remind you the children will be outdoors for each session, and must bring the following clothing to change into at school:

Long sleeved top, full length trousers, wellies/sturdy shoes or boots. Clothes are likely to become wet/dirty, so please don't send anything you don't want to get soiled. Other recommended items: sun cream and sun hat for hot weather, waterproofs, gloves, hat, scarf and warm clothing for colder weather. (Please write child's name in all clothing.) The children will need to ensure they have a water bottle to take with them.

Year 3

Amos: 9th Sept (am), 16th Sept, 30th Sept, 14th Oct

Kariko: 9th Sept (pm), 23rd Sept, 7th Oct, 21st Oct

Year 4

Marhaver: 3rd Sept, 17th Sept, 1st Oct, 15th Oct

Agarwal: 10th Sept, 24th Oct, 8th Oct, 22nd Oct

Year 5

Packham: 5th Sept, 19th Sept, 3rd Oct, 17th Oct

Johnson: 12th Sept, 26th Sept, 10th Oct, 24th Oct

Year 6

Mace: 4th Sept, 18th Sept, 2nd Oct, 16th Oct

Seagull: 11th Sept, 25th Sept, 9th Oct, 24th Oct



Meet the Teacher

To start our new term in September, we would like to invite parents/carers to meet your child's new class teacher. This will be a lovely opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and find out about the expectations and highlights for the exciting year ahead. Please note that you must collect your child/ren first and keep them with you; **they will not be able to play outside whilst waiting.**

These meetings will take place in the school hall from 3.30pm on the following dates:

Year 6 - Tuesday 3rd September

Year 5 - Wed 4th September

Year 4 - Thurs 5th September

Year 3 - Fri 6th September

Year 2 - Mon 9th September

Year 1 - Tues 10th September

End of Day Permissions - September 2024

If your child/ren will be in years 4, 5 or 6 in September 2024, please complete the forms below regarding end of day permissions. With parental consent, children are able to leave their classroom and meet you at an agreed point (years 4, 5 and 6) or leave the school grounds (years 5 & 6 only) at the end of the school day. This will be effective from September. **If this form has not been completed or permission has not been granted, your child will not be allowed to leave the classroom unaccompanied at the end of the school day.**

Please complete this form no later than Thursday 31st August 2024.

Year 4 - [Click Here](#)

Year 5 & 6 - [Click Here](#)

Year 3 September - School Lunches

If your child will be starting in Year 3 in September can we please remind you that you will need to register an account with CH&Co, our lunch provider, if your child will be having a cooked school meal. Please follow [this link](#) to set up your account. You will need to register an account regardless of if you pay for your child's meals or they are eligible for free school meals. If you are unsure if you are eligible for free school meals, or need to register, please follow [this link](#). It takes roughly 2 minutes to apply and you just need your National Insurance number. You will be informed immediately if you qualify. If you have any further questions, or you would like the school to confidentially apply on your behalf, please do not hesitate to contact the School Office. Can we take this opportunity to remind you that if your child is eligible for free school meals they are also eligible for Pupil Premium Funding. This funding is used for extra staff to support your child, extra opportunities for them to access a wider curriculum and resources to support and enhance their learning. This would make a drastic difference to our budget. If this extra funding went unclaimed, it could result in a missed opportunity for your child to receive the very best experiences at school that we can offer.



CUP WINNERS

This week's Cup Winners are...

Oliver - Oliver Class for being so amazing and having a wonderful Year R. You are fantastic.

Holland - Holland Class for showing us what you can learn during 'Root Learning'.

Tajiri - Tajiri Class for a fantastic D&T day.

Knightley - Griffin for a fantastic poem about playing and counting and Ella for always being ready to learn.

Wiltshire - Ella for her wonderful story inspired by Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.

Disney - Disney Class for being truly awesome all year.

Underwood - Daniel for his hard work and effort in all of his learning this year.

Jordan - Hattie for always going out of her way to help others and showing kindness and care in everything she does.

Aderin-Pocock - Aderin-Pocock Class for working so incredibly hard in Year 4.

Watson - Finn for a fantastic Year 4 at Blean!

Bloom - Lewis for an excellent biography of Kensuke and Emily for excellent practical skills in sewing.

Radcliffe - Radcliffe Class for being kind, and funny - there is always laughter in our classroom.

Phelps - Rosie for always following the Blean Bees.

Spielberg - Bongwiwe for her careful work on exploring possible correlations in Science.

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

Year 3
96.7%

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

Maple
96.2%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

For future events and term dates please [click here](#) to see the School Calendar on our Website.

Term 6	15.04.2024 - 23.05.2024	Inset Days 2024/2025
Year 6 Leavers Prom	19.07.2024	02.09.2024
Year 6 Leavers Assembly	23.07.2024	25.10.2024
Last Day of Term - 2:30pm Finish	23.07.2024	24.02.2025
Inset Day - School Closed	02.09.2024	21.07.2025
First Day of Term 1	03.09.2024	22.07.2025
Kent Test for Year 6	12.09.2024	

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