



BLEAN PRIMARY SCHOOL



MESSAGE FROM MR ROWDEN & MISS SATTERLEY

As we come to the end of a busy and productive term, we'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone across the Blean community for their continued support and enthusiasm. It's been wonderful to see so much great learning taking place and we are hugely proud of how our Pre-School children have settled in - they are very much part of the Blean team already!

It has also been exciting to see our new building up and running, creating even more space and opportunities for our pupils. We're hopeful that our new music studio will be ready to use early in Term 2 and we can't wait to see the creativity it inspires.

A quick reminder that our aim is for PE lessons to continue with pupils coming to school in their PE kits. However, please remember that on PE days, pupils should wear their school jumpers or fleeces rather than hoodies or coloured sports tops.

We wish all our families a wonderful, safe half term break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Monday 27th October** for another exciting term ahead.

Christmas Dates

We know many families are starting to plan for the festive season. Our Christmas performance dates and other notable dates are listed below so you can get them in your calendar early.

Performance times will be confirmed closer to the date, but we hope this helps with your planning.

Christmas Fair

Friday 5th December

Pre-School & EYFS Christmas Songs:

Tuesday 9th December

Year 1 Christmas Songs:

Wednesday 10th December

Year 6 Christmas Songs:

Friday 12th December

Year 2 Christmas Play:

Tuesday 16th December

Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 17th December

Year 5 Exhibition

Well done to Year 5 for their amazing exhibition. It was an absolute pleasure to visit and see all the hard work that you have done. My brilliant tour guides made sure that I didn't miss any of it.

Thank you - Mrs Todd

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EYFS - Diwali Dance Workshop Payment

EYFS are having an exciting **Diwali Dance Workshop on Monday 27th October 2025**. The cost of the workshop will be £5.20 and it will take place in our school hall. Payments can be made via your Parent Pay account or via the card machine at the school office. Please ensure that this is paid no later than **Friday 24th October**.

Term 2 - P.E Days

Thank you for supporting our transition to wearing P.E. kits to school on allocated P.E. days. This change has been very successful and has helped our P.E. lessons run smoothly.

Please note that P.E. days are likely to change each term. Below is the schedule for each year group's P.E. days for Term 2.

EYFS - Thursday

Year 1 - Tuesday & Friday

Year 2 - Wednesday & Friday

Year 3 - Wednesday & Thursday

Year 4 - Wednesday & Friday

Year 5 - Monday & Thursday

Year 6 - Monday & Friday

Term 2 - Forest School

In Term 2, Key Stage 2 will continue their Forest School sessions. Children will change into their Forest School clothes before the session begins. Please pack Forest School clothes in a separate bag, ensuring all items are named and are suitable for outdoor play in any weather conditions.

Your child will need to wear:

- A long-sleeved top
- Full-length trousers
- Wellies, sturdy shoes, or boots

Other recommended items:

- Waterproof jacket and trousers
- Hat, scarf, gloves for colder days
- Extra layers in case of cold or wet weather

Please be aware that clothing is likely to get muddy or wet. Avoid sending anything valuable or that you wouldn't want soiled and make sure all clothing and footwear is clearly labelled with your child's name.

Year 3

Moses – 27th Oct, 10th Nov, 24th Nov, 8th Dec

Russo – 3rd Nov, 17th Nov, 1st Dec, 15th Dec

Year 4

Barnes – 28th Oct, 11th Nov, 25th Nov, 9th Dec

Delahunt – 4th Nov, 18th Nov, 2nd Dec, 16th Dec

Year 5

Denly – 31st Oct, 14th Nov, 28th Nov, 12th Dec

Gurnah – 7th Nov, 21st Nov, 5th Dec, *18th Dec

***Change of date**

Year 6

Shariff – 29th Oct, 12th Nov, 26th Nov, 10th Dec

Thomas – 5th Nov, 19th Nov, 3rd Dec, 17th Dec



Club Spaces Still Available

Please contact the school office if your child or children would like to join any of the following clubs that still have spaces available:

Christmas Choir: Years 3 - 5
Monday - 3:25pm - 4:15pm

Science Club: Years 5 & 6
Friday Lunchtime

Golf Club: Years 3 & 4
Tuesday - 3:25pm - 4:30pm
£10 per term

Speed Stacking: Year 4
Wednesday - 3:25pm - 4:15pm

Reception Intake September 2026

If your child was born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022, they will be due to start school next September. Please go to [Kent Primary Admissions](https://kentprimaryadmissions.gov.uk) for further information or email:

primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk or call 03000 412 121. The online application process opens on **Friday 7th November 2025** and closes on **Thursday 15th January 2026**.

We are pleased to announce will be holding tours on the following dates:

FULL Thursday 6th November	1:30pm	FULL Thursday 20th November	1.30pm
FULL Wednesday 12th November	9.15am	Tuesday 2nd December	1.30pm
FULL Thursday 13th November	1.30pm	Friday 9th January	9.15am
FULL Tuesday 18th November	9.15am		

To book a place on one of our tours, please contact the school office on **01227 471254**, Option 5 or email office@blean.kent.sch.uk. If you have a sibling due to start school next September, please could you email the school office if you intend to apply for a place at Blean, even if you do not intend to join one of our tours.

PTFA Volunteers

Blean PTFA would love your help! Our PTFA organises events throughout the year to support our school community and raise funds. There are many different ways you can get involved: from running stalls and helping with second-hand uniform sales, to folding raffle tickets or assisting with after-school ice cream sales. Every bit of help makes a real difference!

If you're interested in volunteering, please [click here](#) to complete the **PTFA Volunteer form**.

ParentPay Activation Letter

All parents and carers who didn't already have a ParentPay account for their child, should now have received an activation letter by email. Please check your inbox, and your spam or junk folder in case it has been filtered there. If you haven't received your activation details, please contact the school office for assistance.



Cross Country Meets at Kent College Junior School

All pupils are welcome to take part in the upcoming cross country races. Distances vary by year group:

EYFS: 100m **Year 1:** 200m **Year 2:** 400m **Years 3-6:** 1km

Event Date: **Saturday 22nd November** – Sign up from 9:15am, races from 10:00am.

Please note: sign-up will close once the races begin. Parking is limited so we recommend arriving early.

Children should wear suitable PE clothing. Be prepared for mud and slopes on the course!

Once you've signed up for a race number, please find Miss Irons under the tree to collect a Blean Running Top. I hope to see lots of you there, Miss Irons

Half Term Netball Camp

Join United Netball Academy for a fun and active netball camp this half term! Children will enjoy 4 hours of skills, drills and match play focused on development and enjoyment. It's a great opportunity to improve their game, stay active and make friends who share the same passion for netball.

Details:

 Date: Monday 21st October  Time: 10am – 2pm

 Cost: £30  Location: The Canterbury Academy

 Who can join: School years 3-10 (all abilities welcome)

Use the QR code on the flyer to book or find out more.



Canterbury Festival

The Canterbury Festival is underway, bringing two weeks packed with music, comedy, talks, gigs, walks and more across the city.

There's plenty for families too, with a fantastic programme for primary-aged children and babies, including the first ever Family Takeover Day on Saturday 25th October. The day features Moomins puppetry, a Winnie-the-Pooh opera, science demonstrations and free events.

Other highlights include a celebration of reading with Hugh Bonneville and a Disney Family Concert with the internationally renowned King's Singers.

Find out more information on Family Takeover [here](#) and see what's on at the Canterbury Festival [here](#).



CUP WINNERS

This week's Cup Winners are...

Catman - Peter for recognising all of his tough sounds.

Pettman - Magnus for increased listening to instructions.

Dore - Oliver for always being kind and helpful to both peers and adults.

King - Parker for his wonderful fact file all about toys.

Bailey - Gracie for being a kind friend and for her hardworking attitude to her learning.

Cooper - Victoria for putting 100% in to her learning.

Moses - Kimathi for brilliant contributions during class discussions in Geography learning about maps.

Russo - Grace for demonstrating amazing creativity and determination when designing and creating a fully working wind turbine.

Barnes - Natalia for responsibility.

Delahunt - Miles for excellent work in violins with Mr Stelios.

Denly - Nell for showing resilience in Maths.

Gurnah - Myles for being an amazing Science teacher.

Shariff - Aisla & Ibrahim for a great response to our RE learning about peace.

Thomas - Mercy for her well-written balanced argument in English.

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

Year 5 & Year 1
96.2%

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

Rowan
95%

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

Gurnah
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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>P.E. Days</u>
First Day of Term 2	27.10.2025	01.09.2025	19.12.2025	EYFS - Thursday
EYFS Divali Workshop	27.10.2025	23.02.2026	20.07.2026	Year 1 - Tuesday & Friday
Year 6 Parents Evening	28.10.2025	21.07.2026		Year 2 - Wednesday & Friday
Year 1 Parent Share	31.10.2025			Year 3 - Wednesday & Thursday
Year 6 Parent Share	03.11.2025	<u>Additional P.E. Days</u>		Year 4 - Wednesday & Friday
New Entrant Tour	06.11.2025	28th October - Year 2		Year 5 - Monday & Thursday
				Year 6 - Monday & Friday

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