



# BLEAN PRIMARY SCHOOL



## MESSAGE FROM MR ROWDEN

Will it ever stop raining? Well done to everyone who braved the adverse weather conditions this morning to get their children in school on time, it is very much appreciated.

Over the last couple of weeks, senior leaders have been visiting classrooms to observe the teaching and learning taking place. I cannot tell you how impressed I am with the quality of teaching and the level of engagement from your children. We witnessed a real thirst for learning. A huge thank you to the staff who work tirelessly to ensure all pupils receive the very best education.

You might have seen in the news the Department for Education have released new guidance on the use of mobile phones in schools. As a result of this, we have created a specific policy that details our perspective on this. Please [click here](#) and take time to read our expectations on pupils having mobile phones in school.

## Team Theme

Team Theme will once again be running their popular holiday camp during the Easter break. For more information and to book click [here](#)



## Beavers & Cubs

There is a new group of Beavers & Cubs running at Blean Village Hall. For more information please contact [beaverleader2ndwhit@outlook.com](mailto:beaverleader2ndwhit@outlook.com)



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## REMINDERS

### *World Book Day*

On **Thursday 7th March 2024**, as part of our celebration of World Book Day, we invite all children to come to school dressed as a favourite character from children's literature or as their favourite children's author! As it is also International Women's Day this week, this year we are going to be particularly championing the work of female children's authors. On this day, children will also receive a one pound voucher as in previous years.

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### *Cross Country*

Kent College are running Cross Country events once again this season at their Junior School. The next event is **Friday 15th March at 4:30pm** - Individual races.

All members of Blean School are invited to attend these events. Kent College ask for approximate numbers so please [click here](#) and add your child's name and year group if you are going to attend.

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### *Tennis Tournament*

Calling all Tennis players, if you are in Years 3-6 and have Tennis lessons outside school, please let us know if you would like to enter a doubles tournament. Please add your details to [this form](#) if you are interested and let us know which colour you play – red ball, orange ball or green ball.

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### *EYFS - Whitstable Beach Trip*

Our EYFS Whitstable Beach Trip will take place on **Monday 18th March 2024**. The trip can be paid for via your Reach More Parents App, under payments. Please can this be paid no later than **Wednesday 13th March**. If there are any questions about this trip please speak to one of the Reception class teachers who will be happy to answer any queries.

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### *Year 4 - Kent Life Trip*

This is a reminder that the payment for the Year 4 trip to Kent Life is due by **5th March 2024**. You can pay via the Reach More Parents App, under payments and offers. If your child receives free school meals, they can be provided with a school packed lunch. Please email [enquiries@blean.kent.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@blean.kent.sch.uk) if you wish for your child to have a school packed lunch no later than 12:00pm **Monday 11th March**. Thank you

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### *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.



## Collecting from Clubs

Can we please remind you that children need to be collected promptly from afterschool clubs at the end of the day. If there is an unavoidable reason causing you to be late you must phone and inform the School Office before 4:30pm. Please see below the times for each internal club:

**Monday:** ECO club 3:25pm - 4:30pm Art Club 3:25pm - 4:00pm Ipad Club 3:25 - 4:15pm  
Y4 Hockey 3:25pm - 4:30pm

**Tuesday:** Drawing & Colouring 3:25pm - 4:15pm Netball 3:25pm - 4:15pm Golf 3:25pm - 4:30pm

**Wednesday:** Singing & Dancing 3:25pm - 4:15pm Crafting Club 3:25pm - 4:15pm  
Construction Club 3:25pm - 4:00pm Drama Club 3:25pm - 4:15pm

**Thursday:** Times Table Rockstars 3:25pm - 4:15pm

**Friday:** Hockey 3:25pm - 4.30pm Yr 4 & 5 Girls Football 3:25pm - 4:15pm



## Board Games

Outgrown family board games taking up room in cupboards? Extended School are looking for any family board games that can be donated to the school for the use of extended school children. If you have any that you wish to donate, please drop off at the school office or at The Extended School. Thank you.

### No Hockey Club

There there will be no Hockey club running on **Friday 15th March 2024.**

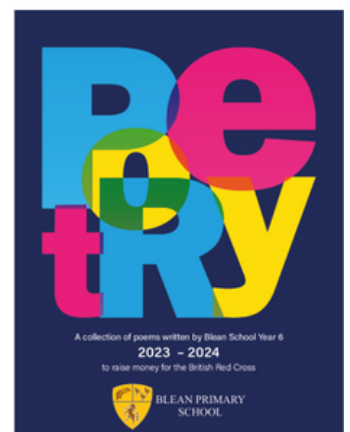
### No Craft Club

There will be no Craft club running on **Wednesday 13th March 2024.**

## Poetry Collection

The much-anticipated Year 6 Poetry Collection is almost here! The children have written a collection of wonderful poems based on different aspects of their learning during Terms 2 and 3. They have chosen to donate the profits to the British Red Cross as they help and support families in war zones. The book is available for the amazing price of just £2.99.

If you would like to buy our book, please complete the form via your Reach More Parents app. **This will go live on Monday 04/03/2024 at 4:00pm.** They would make perfect gifts for friends and family too. Please complete the form by **Monday 11th March.** Happy Reading! The Year 6 Team





# CUP WINNERS

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

**Oliver** - Felix for fabulous ideas and effort in his writing.

**Holland** - Joseph for always listening well in lessons and making fantastic progress in literacy.

**Tajiri** - Harry for a great learning attitude.

**Knightley** - Laurie for writing a fantastic poem for 'Once Upon a Picture'.

**Wiltshire** - Saffron for her incredible diary entry from the viewpoint of an explorer.

**Disney** - Emily for working hard with her writing.

**Underwood** - Alec for always showing he is ready for his learning.

**Jordan** - Joe for amazing effort and consistency in his cursive handwriting.

**Aderin-Pocock** - Remi for showing resilience and determination in her work.

**Watson** - Sammy for a fantastically descriptive setting description about a magical treehouse.

**Bloom** - Kacey for perseverance and enthusiasm in all her learning.

**Radcliffe** - Maddie for working with such resilience in Maths.

**Phelps** - Izzy for always working hard to achieve her best.

**Spielberg** - Jenson for showing great interest and enthusiasm for our new history topic.

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

**Year 3**  
**99.7%**

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

**Beech**  
**97.8%**

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

<b>Term 4</b>	<b>20.02.2024 - 28.03.2024</b>	<b>Forest School Dates</b>
World Book Day	07.03.2024	<b>Oliver:</b> 05.03.2024, 19.03.2024 <b>Holland:</b> 12.03.2024, 26.03.2024
Year 4 Kent Life Trip	12.03.2024	<b>Knightley:</b> 07.03.2024, 21.03.2024 <b>Tajiri:</b> 14.03.2024, 28.03.2024
EYFS Whitstable Beach Trip	18.03.2024	<b>Wiltshire:</b> 08.03.2024, 22.03.2024 <b>Disney:</b> 15.03.2024, 3rd date TBC
Braiswick School Photos	25.03.2024	
<b>Inset Days 2023/2024</b>		
24.05.2024		
<b>Inset Days 2024/2025</b>		
02.09.2024 21.07.2025		
25.10.2024 22.07.2025		
24.02.2025		