



## Bletchingley Village Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing 23rd June 2025

### Absences

If your child is absent, please let the school know every day, either by phone or via

[attendance@bletchingleytl.co.uk](mailto:attendance@bletchingleytl.co.uk)

Attendance – Whole School  
attendance year to date – 92.8%

Whole School attendance this  
week - 94.1%

National Average - **94.5%**

### Next Week (w/c 23-6-25)

**TUE** – New reception stay and  
play

**WED** – Reception to Gatton Park

**THUR** – Year 3 to Singing Picnic

**FRI** – Inset Day

### Term Date Summary

Full details can be found on the  
website

Summer Term 2024	
Term begins	22.4.25
Half Term	26.5.25- 30.5.25
Term ends	22.7.25
Autumn Term 2025	
Term begins	4.9.25
Half Term	20.10.25– 31.10.25
Term ends	19.12.25
Spring Term 2026	
Term Starts	7.1.26
Half Term	16.2.26-20.2.26
Term ends	27.3.25
Summer Term 2026	
Term begins	13.4.26
Half Term	25.5.26- 29.5.26
Term ends	22.7.26 (23 <sup>rd</sup> Inset)

### Headteacher Update

Another busy week has flown by! Children in all years 1 - 5 have had assessment week and have been working hard recalling everything that they have learnt over the year. Year 6 have had an exhausting but exciting trips week, they have thoroughly enjoyed it, and their behaviour has been excellent when out in public representing the school.

This week we have been monitoring the quality of teaching in Science, Geography and from a SEND perspective, with some very positive outcomes, making progress across the academic year.

Thank you very much for those who completed our main Parent Survey, we had 93 responses. I have attached the results to this email, during the Parent Forum on 30th June there will be some time to reflect on this more closely together.

Please remember in the hot weather to send your child in with a water bottle, hat and with sun cream applied

As you will see on the key dates, we have another parent forum coming up on Monday 30 June at 5pm. We have been running Parent Forums once a half term this year. A Parents Forum is an open invitation to parents to come in and discuss and give ideas about various topics. For example, we have had one on our Homework Policy. The next one is about school improvement. I will go through the progress that we have made since Ofsted and then get some ideas from parents about how you think we can improve further.

Have a lovely weekend

**Denise Coady**

### PTA

You will have received an email this week about the relaunch of the Bletchingley PTA (FOBS) – if you would like to get involved in any way or have suggestions for events/fundraising activities please click here to complete the form

### Our School Values

The school values are for all of our community and should be demonstrated by all.

Respect  
Caring  
Self-discipline

## Attendance and Punctuality

Good attendance is vital for the future life chances of children. Punctuality is also important, children often worry if they are late for school and have to walk into the classroom once a lesson has started. Lateness also means that children are missing out on learning and contributes to their absence percentage.



### Well Done to Our STARS OF THE WEEK!

Y1- James

Y2- Thomas

Y3 - Max

Y4- Nikolai

Y5- Issie G

Hedgehogs - Ellison

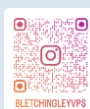
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## Early Collection

If you need to collect your child early from school, please could you let the office know by no later than 2.30 unless this is beyond your control. We only have one office staff now from 2.30 and we cannot leave the office unattended. Thank you for your support.

## St Bedes Open Evening

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025

5.20 – 9.00pm

**Congratulations to these children who have been role modelling our school values this week and received a values leaf!**

### CARING

Y1 – Oliver R

Y2 - Eray

Y3 – Olivia

Y4 – Ronnie

Y5 – Sadie

### RESPECT

Y1 – Wynter

Y2 – Elijah

Y3 - Ottily

Y4 – Emelia

Y5 – Max

### SELF DISCIPLINE

Y1 – Juno

Y2 – Arthur

Y3 – Otto

Y4 – Whole class for their  
behaviour on the trip

Y5 – Freddie

## Key Dates – Summer Term

	Event
24.6.25	New Reception intake Stay and Play 9.30am – 10.30am
25.6.25	Reception trip to Gatton Park
26.6.25	Singing Picnic – Year 3
27.6.25	INSET Day – School closed to children
30.6.25	Parent Forum – School Improvement 5pm
2.7.25	New Reception Induction session and welcome meeting 9.15am
3.7.25	Sports Day and Picnic – Times TBC
7.7.25	Transition hour in current classroom with new teacher
9.7.25	Transition hour in the new classroom with the new teacher.
10.7.25	Reserve date for Sport Day
11.7.25	Colour Run/ Summer Fayre (FOBs)
15.7.25	Reports out to Parents
15.7.25 & 17.7.25	Year 6 production 6pm
16.7.25	Transition morning with the new teacher
16.7.25	Year 5 and 6 cricket at Outwood 4.30pm
18.7.25	Open Afternoon 2pm
21.7.25	Leavers Assembly 1.30pm
22.7.25	Break up (Early Closure)
23.7.25	INSET Day – School closed to children

There may be some circumstances where dates must change, if this is the case we will endeavour to let you know as far in advance as possible

## School Dinners are on Arbor

- You need to select meal choices two weeks in advance. We cannot amend food choices after the cut off as food is preordered based on your selections. If you haven't yet done this, can you please do this going forward. We cannot do this for parents.
- For any choices that have not been made via Arbor and a packed lunch is not provided, your child will get the main meal option.
- Please can you let your children know the option they will be having so it is not a surprise.
- For any queries, please contact [G.Marks@bletchingleytl.co.uk](mailto:G.Marks@bletchingleytl.co.uk)
- **A Special Sports Day Menu has also been created on Arbor for a choice of Packed lunch to be eaten on the field Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, please make your selection as soon as possible. However, if you are attending and/or wish your child to bring in their own please also make that selection on Arbor. Thank you**

### **Safeguarding - AI**

As many of you know AI can be a wonderful tool for using in certain circumstances. However, it does also have risks that adults and children need to be aware of, in an age-appropriate manner. This week I have shared with the staff what to look out for as part of our ongoing monitoring of online activity. When AI-generated content is used to target pupils, schools should:

Treat it seriously – follow behaviour and safeguarding procedures.

Report and record – log concerns clearly, and track incidents to spot patterns or growing trends.

Support the pupil – prioritise wellbeing and involve parents if appropriate.

Investigate intent – whether harm was intended or not, address the impact.

Respond proportionately – using sanctions, education, or restorative work.

Review policies – ensure AI-related risks are included in all relevant guidance, for example, bullying, behaviour, and online safety policies. - The Trust is reviewing it's AI policy.

Educate pupils – build awareness of deepfakes, fake content, and responsible digital behaviour.

The Trust is currently updating its AI policy and we have training for all staff in the September INSET days.

### **Sports Day Charity Bake Sale**

My name is Sophie, and I am a past student of Bletchingley Village School. I'm now a first-year Psychology student at the University of Lincoln, and I am fundraising for the Meningitis Research Foundation. Hopefully I will be heading to Peru in the summer to trek the Salkantay Trail to Machu Picchu with the charity!

On the 3rd July, Sports Day at Bletchingley Village, I will be holding a bake sale for the charity with all home baked goods (allergy information provided for all items).

Meningitis is a serious illness caused by the swelling of the meninges in the brain and spinal cord. It affects around 2.3 million people worldwide each year, killing 1 in 10 of those and leaving 1 in 5 of the remaining people with permanent side effects. Symptoms include but are not limited to a fever, vomiting, severe headache, stiff neck, seizures, confusion and being very sleepy, however symptoms in babies and very young children may differ.

Anyone can get meningitis, however some people are more at risk than others. Babies and young children are particularly high risk due to underdeveloped immune systems. In the UK, babies under 3months old are 70x more likely to contract bacterial meningitis than adults. Toddlers are the second most at risk group, followed closely by teenagers and young adults.

The risk from meningitis for students is why I am fundraising for this cause; it's very close to my heart. I really hope the school community is able to help me fundraise for this important cause – cakes, brownies and cookies will be available to buy for cash or donations to my Just Giving page online. Looking forward to seeing you there!