



Blenheim Weekly



Wishing you a wonderful break!

We would like to say thank you to all of our families for attending parent consultations this week to celebrate your child and everything that they have achieved already this half term. We hope you found them valuable.

We would like to wish all of our families a lovely break and look forward to your return on Monday 2nd November.

Extra-Curricular Clubs: Autumn 2 and Spring 1

Next half term, there will be a range of clubs available for children in KS1 and KS2 children led by school staff.

Please find here a set of [slides](#) that shows the clubs that are available and how to register your child for a space:

We look forward to sharing some of our own passions with your children in the hope that it could ignite a desire in them to explore this further outside of school!

Key dates for Autumn 2

Thursday 5th Nov: Individual school photos

10th/17th/18th Nov: Y6 Cinema Trips (individual classes - please see Class Dojo)

Tuesday 10th Nov: Reception 2027 Prospective Parent Tour (1:45-2:45pm)

Wednesday 11th Nov: Y6 Cyber-bullying Workshops

Friday 13th Nov: Y3 trip to Old Leigh

Tuesday 17th Nov: Y5 Road Safety visit

Wednesday 18th Nov: Reception 2027 Prospective Parent Tour (9:30-10:30am)

Friday 20th Nov: Y4 trip to Old Leigh

Thursday 3rd Dec: Time & Space Visit (Water-striders, Ducklings and Goslings)

Tuesday 8th Dec: Flu vaccinations (second session)

Tuesday 15th Dec: KS1 Christmas Production (9:30am)

Wednesday 16th Dec: Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper Day (whole school)

Wednesday 16th Dec: KS1 Christmas Production (5:00pm)

Thursday 17th Dec: KS1 Christmas Production (2:00pm)





OPAL update: Being Winter ready at Blenheim

"There is no such thing as bad weather, just unsuitable clothing!"

At Blenheim we value the importance of outdoor play and recognise the effort it takes to ensure your child comes to school prepared, so they can get the most out of their play. In particular, this means ensuring they are appropriately dressed. This academic year, we aim for children to stay outside to play in all weathers, with the exception of extreme weather conditions, such as lightning and thunderstorms, or extreme heat. In order to achieve this, we are seeking your support and ask that all children in school have the following items of clothing readily available. **Please also note that all items must be named.**

- ★ **Change of clothes** - Pupils should have a change of clothes in school. This should include a spare pair of socks. This is all year round and is for when children get wet and muddy and need to change into dry clothes - sitting in cold and damp clothing for the rest of the day is not fun for anyone!
- ★ **Coats** - A waterproof coat with a hood is needed in school for all weathers, in case of surprise showers and downpours, and because children have the option to take part in water play during OPAL. In cold weather, please also send children in with a hat, scarf and gloves.
- ★ **Footwear** - Pupils should wear a sensible, flat style of shoe. A named pair of Wellington boots can be kept in school for OPAL and learning outside the classroom. Children must change into their school shoes when inside the building and store their Wellington boots in the Welly Station by the swimming pool for Adventurers or pond area for Explorers. This helps us to maintain high standards of cleanliness in the school.
- ★ **Hot weather protection** - In hot weather, please also send children in with a sun hat and sun cream.

To support parents in ensuring their children are fully prepared for OPAL play times, we are working to set up termly uniform and OPAL clothing swaps. More information to follow. If you have any unwanted welly boots, please share with the Office/OPAL donation station. If you will find it difficult to provide winter clothing this year, please contact our learning mentor, Miss Overaa, either via the school office or email info@blenheim.lihtrust.uk.

Thank you for your support, as always, as we work towards our OPAL vision to provide and maintain quality play provision for all of our children.





Be the best you can be!

It is always brilliant when anyone in our community demonstrates our school values, whether they are children or adults. This October, Miss E and Miss Yassin are demonstrating bucketloads of **perseverance** and **enthusiasm** in order to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

They are taking on the HYROX women's' doubles challenge to support people living with cancer. HYROX is an intense fitness challenge combining running and workout stations and they have been training now for over a year.

Raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support is a cause close to their hearts, each having lost family members to cancer in their lives. The children have been joining in with their own age-appropriate HROX-inspired challenge in PE this week, focusing on getting fit, active and building perseverance. Miss E and Miss Yassin would really appreciate any support you can offer, whether through a donation, sharing their fundraising page or cheering them on. Every contribution, however small, means a great deal to them.

You can find the link [here](#) or click on the QR code.

Thank you for your kindness and support.

Miss E and Miss Yassin



ASPIRE

ACHIEVEMENT	aim high, work hard and be the best you can be
SUPPORT	help others, collaborate and learn together
PERSEVERANCE	be resilient, especially when things are tough
INDEPENDENCE	be responsible for yourself and your actions
RESPECT	be kind, honest and be a good citizen
ENTHUSIASM	embrace new challenges with positivity

We want everyone to be inspired; to develop the confidence to face new challenges; and to ASPIRE to be the best they can be.

JustGiving

Scan to visit tasxlou
erysthexyassin's JustGiving Page





Parent/carer support:

As we head in to the half term break, I am sure many children are looking forward to spending time on their *consoles/gaming*.

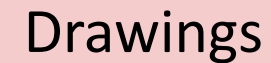
Do you notice a change in your child's behaviour when they spend time gaming or that they find it hard to stop? Rather than telling a child that they have had enough screen time, we can help them to explore WHY stopping can be difficult, why other activities might seem less appealing afterwards and how finding a healthy balance can help.

The visual opposite provides a useful starting point for a conversation with your young person, exploring how the brain works and the importance of giving our brains a variety of experiences. This helps them to build an awareness and a greater understanding of a healthy connection with gaming.

You can find useful Parent guidance on screen time for all ages linked [here](#).



All ages are welcome for the chance to win a prize!



Breakfast and After School Club

What a fantastic, fun-filled and productive final week we have had at Breakfast & After School Club! As we come to the end of this half term, the children have been busy getting creative with their Halloween activities, putting their imaginations to the test and continuing to show wonderful teamwork and support for one another.

Our little bakers have been busy creating some spooky treats! The children decorated their own Halloween biscuits using different coloured icing and lots of exciting sprinkles featuring pumpkins, bats and ghosts. Our Halloween creativity continued with the children designing their very own Haunted Halloween Trees. Using cotton buds, they experimented with different shapes and patterns to create autumnal leaves and pumpkins, bringing their spooky trees to life. A special shout-out to one child who designed his very own Halloween Pac-Man game! It was fantastic seeing him use his imagination to create something original. Many of the children also created Halloween pop-up pictures. By carefully folding their paper, they designed pictures that revealed hidden words or another image when opened. These creations required patience, careful folding and plenty of imagination and the children did a brilliant job.

Our Sensory TV has been a hit this week, with the children enjoying ASMR slime videos and their satisfying sounds! The children loved watching the different textures and movements, making it a relaxing sensory experience.

We want to give a very special well done to our Reception children who have been attending Breakfast & After School Club! Starting school and settling into a new club routine is a huge milestone. The children have shown such perseverance, courage and growing confidence throughout their journey with us so far. We have loved watching them become more comfortable, explore new activities and build relationships with the team and their friends. What a huge achievement - we couldn't be prouder of you!

As we finish another busy half term, we want to thank all our children for bringing so much creativity, kindness, imagination and laughter into Breakfast & After School Club. Thank you as well to all our parents and carers for your continued support throughout the term; it really is appreciated.

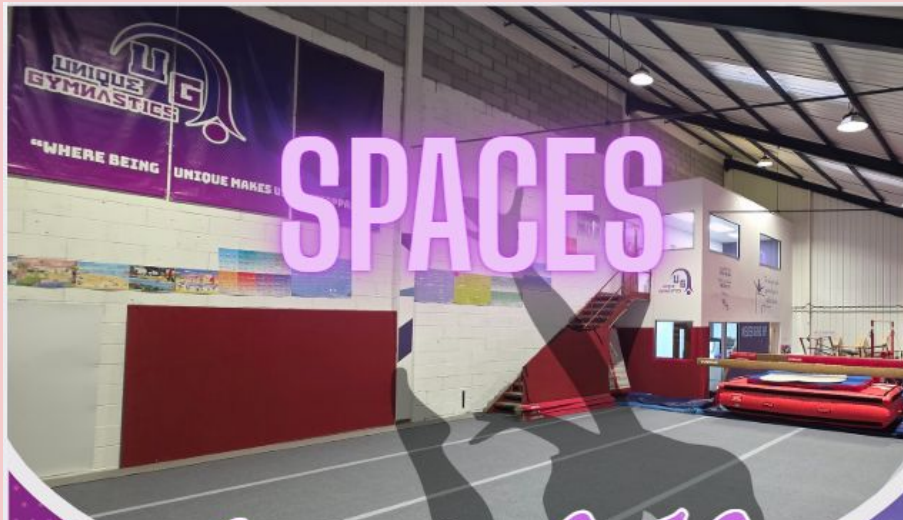
We hope all our children and families have a happy, fun and safe half term. Enjoy your Halloween celebrations; make some lovely memories and have a well-deserved rest!

Breakfast and After School Club



Website & Info

www.unique-gymnastics.co.uk



SPACES

*Gymnastics 3-12
years old*

Come join us. Spaces won't last long. Our program is currently full, take advantage of this opportunity. All levels welcome



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Harmony
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School-based teacher
training in Essex



START YOUR JOURNEY



School Nursing Service 2026-27

Parent/carer drop in clinics for children aged 5-11 years

Venue	Date	Time
Blenheim	3rd November	14.30-15.30

Emotional health and wellbeing advice ● Growth and development
 ● Healthy lifestyles ● Bedwetting support ● Hearing
 ● Sleep support ● Puberty

No appointment needed.
Call or text us for further information.

 01702 534843

 ChatHealth Parentline: 07507 331884

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 schoolnursing@southend.gov.uk



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Reception 2027
Admissions
Information

Are you looking for a Reception place for your child in September 2027?

Come and join us at Blenheim Primary School at our prospective parent tours to find out what makes our school such a wonderful place to learn!

- Wednesday 14th October - 4:45pm
- Thursday 15th October - 9:30am
- Tuesday 10th November - 1:45pm
- Wednesday 18th November - 9:30am

Call us to book your slot today. 01702 474684

Our Motto: Be The Best You Can Be

Pupils really enjoy school. The staff are incredibly caring and are always there to help pupils if needed. The wide range of clubs pupils attend helps them to develop their talents and interests...Pupils enjoy lessons that challenge them to think deeply and achieve highly...

The programme to support pupils' personal development is exceptional.

Ofsted Report - April 2025 - Blenheim Primary School maintained the standards identified at the previous inspection, graded Outstanding.



Ofsted
Outstanding
Provider



www.blenheimprimary.co.uk/



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TRUST LINKS FOREST SCHOOL
**OCTOBER HALF TERM
HALLOWEEN SPECIAL EVENTS**

JOIN US FOR NATURE THEMED HALLOWEEN FUN AND
ACTIVITIES

MONDAY 26TH OCTOBER 10AM-12 NOON

AGES 0-11YRS

TRUST LINKS SHOEBOURY

ELM ROAD, SS3 9RZ

£5 FOR FIRST CHILD, £2.50 PER
ADDITIONAL CHILD

ADULT(S) ACCOMPANY CHILDREN

FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER 10AM-12 NOON

AGES 0-11YRS

TRUST LINKS WESTCLIFF

FAIRFAX DRIVE, SS0 9AG

£5 FOR FIRST CHILD, £2.50 PER
ADDITIONAL CHILD

ADULT(S) ACCOMPANY CHILDREN

WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER 10AM-2PM

AGES 7-11YRS

ST LAURENCE ORCHARD

EASTWOODBURY LANE

£30 - LUNCH PROVIDED

ADULT(S) DROP OFF CHILDREN

NEW!

Booking
Required



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斬新流
GOJU-KAI
KARATE-DO

**JOIN OUR
KARATE
CLUB**

**TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
AT BLENHEIM SCHOOL**

3:20 - 4:10

**SPECIAL DISCOUNT PRICE OF
£6 PER LESSON**

PAYABLE IN ADVANCE AT THE START OF HALF TERM

EVERYONE WELCOME

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SCHOOL MENU

Week 1: 2/11, 23/11, 14/12



Tasty
Healthy
Happy
Learners!

MONDAY

Neapolitan pasta,
garlic bread,
sweetcorn, peas



Ice cream pots



TUESDAY

Build your own
beef burrito / quorn burrito



Mexican rice



Apple and sultana
sponge cake



WEDNESDAY

Roast chicken /
quorn roast



Roast potatoes
Yorkshire pudding
Carrots, broccoli

Fruit jelly



THURSDAY

Bubble fish fillet /
quorn fillet



Mashed potato, parsley sauce,
peas, tomatoes

Fruit



FRIDAY

Chicken nuggets /
quorn nuggets



Chips, beans, salad

Date and oat slice



Jacket potatoes are available daily.



For allergy/dietary queries, please email
info@blenheim.lihtrust.uk.

Menu subject to change based on product availability.





SCHOOL MENU

Week 2: 09/11, 30/11



MONDAY

Carbonara pasta
or Creamy Quorn pasta



Garlic bread

Sweetcorn



Peas



Fruity yoghurt pots



TUESDAY

Chicken curry
or Quorn curry



Naan bread



Rice



Vegetable medley



Chocolate and orange
sponge cake



WEDNESDAY

Toad in the hole
or Veggie toad
in the hole



Mashed potato



Cabbage



Carrots



Fruit jelly



THURSDAY

Spaghetti bolognese
or Quorn bolognese



Vegetable medley



Fresh fruit



FRIDAY

Margherita pizza



Chips



Beans



Peas



Cherry and coconut cake



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SCHOOL MENU

Week 3: 16/11, 07/12



Tasty
Healthy
Happy
Learners!

MONDAY

Cheese and
tomato pasta



Garlic bread



Mixed veg



Strawberry
smoothie



TUESDAY

Chinese chicken
or Quorn roast



Noodles or rice



Peas and cucumber



Lemon drizzle
cake



WEDNESDAY

Roast beef
or Quorn roast



Roast potatoes

Cauliflower

Carrots

Fruit jelly



THURSDAY

Jacket potato or
pasta with tuna,
cheese or beans



Vegetable medley



Fresh fruit



FRIDAY

Chicken burger
or Quorn fillet burger



Chips



Beans or peas



Rhubarb muffin



Jacket potatoes are available daily.

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