# BLOFIELD BULLETIN

Blofield Primary School
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NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Friday 10 October 2025

## A MESSAGE FROM MRS BUXTON

This week, I had the pleasure of visiting Reception for their phonics lesson, and I was so impressed by what I saw! Even though the children have only been in school for a short time, they are already showing fantastic confidence and enthusiasm in their learning.

It was wonderful to hear them using words like digraph and remembering so many of the sounds they've been taught. The children were eagerly holding their pens, writing words, and practising writing their names with great concentration and pride. They have also learned so many of the school routines already, which helps their learning to run so smoothly.

A huge well done to our youngest learners and to the staff who are helping them make such a strong and confident start to their school journey!

## BLOFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL HAS EARNED MODESHIFT STARS APPROVED ACCREDITATION!

We're proud to be one of just 10 schools in Norfolk recognised nationally for promoting sustainable and active travel — like walking, cycling, and scooting.

We're now working towards GOOD Accreditation by Summer 2026, with support from Norfolk County Council's AtoBetter team. Whether it's the school run or trips to the park, shops, or clubs — every active journey makes a difference. Even if driving is necessary, consider parking a little further away and walking the rest — and please park considerately to help keep the area safe for everyone.

Active travel helps children:

- Stay fit and healthy
- Build independence and road safety skills
- Reduce pollution and traffic around school

Get Involved!

- Haven't filled in the parent survey yet? The deadline has been extended for another week: AtoBetter School Travel Survey
- Free places are still available on the Learn to Fix Your Bike course at Margaret Harker Hall this Saturday, 11 October, 1–4pm: AtoBetter events - Norfolk County Council

## ATTENDANCE

This week's overall attendance stands at 95.27%

## JOURNEY TO SCHOOL

A parent has very kindly tidied up the footpath alongside the school & many parents and children have already been using it to walk to & from school. However we still have a lot of congestion outside the school, particulary at the end of the day. Please do not park in front of the school gates as this is preventing access for emergency services should the need arise.

## KORFBALL



Well done to our Korfball team who finished 2nd at the Norfolk event on Wednesday this week. They played some incredible matches and were unlucky not to win on this occasion. Korfball club is going very well every Thursday with 20 pupils involved.

## CLIMATE PLAY




Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 were lucky enough to watch a play about climate change. It was fun and interactive and was from the point of view of our garden creatures!

Drama workshops followed in the afternoon, where we found out what we can all do to help creatures survive. The songs were very catchy!

## YEAR 3 FOREST SCHOOL



Mrs Buxton and Year 3 had a lovely time with Mrs Snape cooking smores for the first time in our new forest school.





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## HARVEST FESTIVAL DONATIONS






Our Harvest Festival is on Friday 17 October. We would really appreciate any food donations such as fresh fruit and veg or store cupboard staples which will be given to the Salvation Army. Please bring to the office from Monday 13 October.



## CHRISTMAS JUMPER DONATIONS

If your child has outgrown their Christmas jumper, please consider bringing it to school for donation. This thoughtful gesture promotes a sense of community and sustainability. It's a wonderful way to teach children about generosity and the joy of giving during the holiday season. Thank you for supporting this meaningful initiative! We will accept donations from Monday 13th October.



## PTA

**Thank you to everyone who came to the PTA meeting on Monday. A special thank you goes to the PTA for their generous commitment to funding various projects over the coming year.**



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## AUTUMN TERM 2025 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY ....

Tuesday 14th October 2025 - **Parents' and Carers' Evening**
**Year 3 Stone Age Workshop**

Friday 17th October 2025 - **Harvest Festival Assembly for Children, led by the Salvation Army. Please send in donations**

**PTA Quiz - Come & join us!**

Monday 20th October 2025 - **Year 3 visit to Gressenhall Museum**

Tuesday 21st October 2025 - **Parents' and Carers' Evening**

Friday 24th October 2025 - **Year 1 visit to Bridewell Museum**

## HALF TERM - MONDAY 27TH OCTOBER TO FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER 2025

Wednesday 5th November 2025 - **Reception 2026 Intake 9:30 a.m. till 11:00 a.m.**

Thursday 13th November 2025 - **Reception and Year 6 Measurement Programme**

**Year 3 & Year 4 Bikeability**

Friday 14th November 2025 - **Year 6 visit to Gressenhall**

**Whole School Children In Need - Non Uniform & Spots!**



Tuesday 18th November 2025 - **Flu Immunisation**

Week Commencing 24th November 2025 - **Year 5 & Year 6 Bikeability**

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## AUTUMN TERM 2025 DATES CONTUNUED ....

Friday 5th December 2025 - **Year 5 visit to Ancient House**
**Donations for PTA Christmas raffle and non-uniform.**



Monday 8th December 2025 - **EYFS & KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal**







Thursday 11th December 2025 - **2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.**
**EYFS & KS1 Nativity to Parents & Carers**

Friday 12th December 2025 - **9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.**
**EYFS & KS1 Nativity to Parents & Carers**



Wednesday 17th December 2025 - **Year 3 & 4 Christmas Carols and Mince Pies in the School Hall 2:30 p.m.**



Wednesday 17th December 2025 - **Year 5 & 6 Christmas Carols at Blofield Church at 5:00 p.m.**

Thursday 18th December 2025 - **Christmas Dinner and Rudolph Run - Christmas Jumper Day**



Friday 19th December 2025 - **Last Day of Term**



## CHRISTMAS BREAK - MONDAY 22ND DECEMBER 2025 TO FRIDAY 5TH JANUARY 2026

Tuesday 6th January 2026 - **Back to School - Spring Term begins**

SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

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**FREE BOOKS** for your school when you buy at the Book Fair!

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**DATE:** 16 – 21 OCTOBER 2025

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# Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are changing!

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued **after 19th August 2024**.

## Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice Fines are issued to each parent, for each child that was absent. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

## National Threshold

There will be a single consistent national threshold for when a penalty notice must be considered by all schools in England of 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10 school week period. These sessions do not have to be consecutive and can be made up of a combination of any type of unauthorised absence.
The 10-school week period can span different terms or school years.

## First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:

- £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.
- Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

## Second Offence (within 3 years)

- The Second time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:
- £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

## Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)

- The third time an offence is committed a Penalty Notice will not be issued and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrate's Court. Prosecution can result in criminal records and fines of up to £2,500.
- Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.


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BBC BITESIZE FOR TEACHERS

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# Uniform Expectations



## School Uniform

Navy-blue crewneck sweatshirt or navy-blue cardigan either plain or with school logo
Navy-blue or dark grey trousers or navy-blue skirt or navy-blue pinafore dress
White polo shirt either plain or with logo
Black shoes



## PE Kit

Navy-blue shorts
Polo shirt in the child's House Team colour (either plain or with the school logo)
Trainers
Tracksuit/jogging suit/fleece jacket in cold weather (no logos)
Drawstring PE bag - spare socks

**Please ensure clothing doesn't have brand logos and EVERYTHING is named.**

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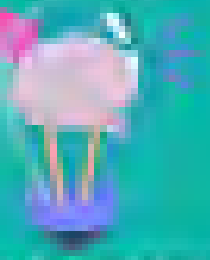

# INVITATION
# TO PARENTS OF NEW ENTRANTS
# FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

## We are pleased to invite you to our
## OPEN MORNING
## on
## WEDNESDAY 5th NOVEMBER 2025
## 09:30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m.

***If you wish to attend, please email the school office:***
***office@blofield.norfolk.sch.uk***
***or phone school on 01603 713386***

**Important:**
Information regarding the Admission procedure for 2026/27, is available on our school website, www.blofieldprimary.co.uk
Click on the tab 'Key Information'. Full details of how to apply for a place for your child is given under 'Admission Arrangements'.

# QUIZ NIGHT



BRING YOUR FRIENDS, FAMILY OR JOIN OTHER PARENTS,
AND SEE IF YOU CAN BEAT THE TEACHERS!

## FRIDAY 17TH OCTOBER

SCHOOL HALL
7PM DOORS OPEN - 7:30PM START

£4 PER PERSON - INCLUDES SNACKS
TEAMS OF UP TO 8 PEOPLE
BAR AVAILABLE WITH ALCOHOLIC & SOFT DRINKS
INTERVAL GAMES:
HIGHER & LOWER - HEADS & TAILS (£1 A GO)
CASH & CARD ACCEPTED

## TO BOOK YOUR TEAM:

GRAB YOUR TICKETS AT THE WEBSITE BELOW:
BLOFIELD-PRIMARY-SCHOOL-PTA.SUMUP.STORE/SUMUP-PRODUCTS
OR SCAN THE QR CODE
THEN EMAIL BLOFIELDSCHOOLPTA@GMAIL.COM
WITH YOUR
TEAM NAME AND NUMBERS,
SO WE CAN HAVE YOUR TABLE READY
SEE YOU THERE

SCAN ME

## 1

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Hot Option 1 | Margherita Pizza with Tomato Pasta (v) | Sweet and Sour Chicken with Noodles | Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy | Sausage Pastry Pinwheel with Potato Wedges | Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers and Chips |
| Hot Option 2 | Sweet Potato and Lentil Curry with Steamed Rice (v) | Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake (v) | Lentil Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy (v) | Plant Sausage Pastry Pinwheel with Potato Wedges (v) | Garden Vegetable Goujons with Chips (v) |
| Jacket Potato | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans |
| Served with | Sweetcorn | Mixed Vegetables | Carrots and Green Beans | Mixed Salad | Peas or Baked Beans |
| And for Pudding | Vanilla Cupcake | Beetroot Brownie | Flapjack with Orange Wedges | Fruit Jelly | Shortbread Biscuit |
| Packed Lunch | Ham or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Vanilla Cupcake | Ham or Cheese Sandwich, Pizza Finger, Salad Sticks, Beetroot Brownie | Cheese and Tomato Pasta Pot, Salad Sticks, Orange Wedges, Flapjack | Cheese and Tomato Pasta Pot, Fruit Bread, Salad Sticks, Fruit Jelly | Ham or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Shortbread Biscuit |

**Week One: 21 Apr | 12 May | 9 Jun | 30 Jun | 21 Jul | 15 Sept | 6 Oct — Fresh Fruit Available Daily**

## 2

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Hot Option 1 | Cheesy Pasta (v) | BBQ Chicken with Steamed Rice | Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Mashed Potato and Gravy | Pork and Carrot Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Potato Wedges | Chicken Fillet Bites and Chips |
| Hot Option 2 | Sweet and Sour Plant Balls with Steamed Rice (v) | Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake (v) | Vegemince Cottage Pie (v) | Plant Sausages in Tomato Sauce with Potato Wedges (v) | Vegetarian Enchilada and Chips (v) |
| Jacket Potato | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans |
| Served with | Mixed Vegetables | Sweetcorn | Peas and Carrots | Mixed Salad | Peas or Baked Beans |
| And for Pudding | Orange Cupcake | Oaty Cookie | Toffee Cream Shortcake | Summer Berry and Apple Slice | Cocoa Shortbread with a Melon Wedge |
| Packed Lunch | Ham or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Orange Cupcake | Ham or Cheese Sandwich, Sultanas, Salad Sticks, Oaty Cookie | Cheese and Tomato Pasta Pot, Salad Sticks, Fruit Portion, Toffee Cream Shortcake | Cheese and Tomato Pasta Pot, Fruit Bread, Fruit Portion, Summer Berry and Apple Slice | Ham or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Melon Wedge, Cocoa Shortbread |

**Week Two: 28 Apr | 19 May | 16 Jun | 7 Jul | 1 Sept | 22 Sept | 13 Oct — Fresh Fruit Available Daily**

## 3

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Hot Option 1 | Cheese and Tomato Pizza Swirl with Potato Wedges (v) | Lasagne (Pork and Lentil) with Garlic Bread | Chipolata Sausages with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato and Gravy | Breaded Chicken, Lettuce and Mayo in a Wrap with Steamed Rice | Fish Fingers and Chips |
| Hot Option 2 | Vegemince Bolognese with Pasta (v) | Loaded Bean Bake with Garlic Bread (v) | Plant Sausages with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato and Gravy (v) | Tomato and Courgette Frittata with Potato Wedges (v) | Cheese and Potato Pastry Pinwheel and Chips (v) |
| Jacket Potato | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans | Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans |
| Served with | Peas and Sweetcorn | Mixed Salad | Cabbage and Carrots | Crunchy Salad Sticks | Peas or Baked Beans |
| And for Pudding | Blueberry Cupcake | Vanilla Ice Cream | Carrot Cake | Cocoa Oatcake with Orange Wedges | Vanilla Crunch Bar with Apple Wedges |
| Packed Lunch | Ham or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Blueberry Cupcake | Ham or Cheese Sandwich, Pizza Finger, Salad Sticks, Vanilla Ice Cream | Cheese and Tomato Pasta Pot, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Carrot Cake | Cheese and Tomato Pasta Pot, Fruit Bread, Orange Wedges, Cocoa Oatcake | Ham or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Apple Wedges, Vanilla Crunch Bar |

**Week Three: 5 May | 2 Jun | 23 Jun | 14 Jul | 8 Sept | 29 Sept | 20 Oct — Fresh Fruit Available Daily**

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FunTime Vacancies

We have limited spaces,

Please contact Karen on

office@funtime-club.co.uk

07787402187 or call in anytime to FunTime club after 3.30pm for further information and have a look round

All staff are DBS checked and hold a paediatric First aid certificate

Flexible booking

£20 annual registration per family

£12.50 per session, sibling discount if attend same session

Arts& crafts, construction, role play, outside play socialising even homework.

If you complete registration FunTime club can be used in emergencies or for last minute if space available

Gives you more flexibility to have some me time

We accept most childcare vouchers and the government tax free childcare scheme, Bacs transfer

Children can attend other school activities then can come to FunTime club after


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