BLOFIELD BULLETIN

NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

FRIDAY 1ST MAY 2026

Blofield Primary School
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MAY HAS ARRIVED!

With May now upon us, the welcome sunshine has been a real boost for us all. It's been lovely to see the children making the most of being outside, enjoying lessons and activities in the fresh air.

We hope everyone has a relaxing and enjoyable long weekend. Just a reminder that children are not in school on Monday 4th May. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday.

SCOOT SCOOT HOORAY! SCOOTERS ARE NOW AVAILABLE





Our Scooter Loan Scheme is officially up and running at Blofield Primary — and scooters are now available for families to borrow!

On Tuesday after school, the AtoBetter team popped along with a line-up of adult, child and preschool scooters for families to have a look, ask questions and even try a gentle scoot.

The scheme is all about making the school run easier, more active and more fun — whether that's parking a little further away and scooting the last bit, or leaving the car at home altogether.

Scooters can now be borrowed by signing up at the school office (subject to availability). Why not give it a go and see if scooting works for your family?

With thanks to Micro Scooters & AtoBetter for supporting the scheme.

NORWICH EAST CROSS COUNTRY EVENT

Well done to all of our cross country competitors who ran so well at Sprowston Junior School on Thursday 30th April. There were some excellent individual results, thank you to Mrs D'Rosario and Mrs Hamlet who looked after our students.

Our fastest runners from each year group were Jace & Saoirse in year 3 (both 16th), Alfie & Molly in year 4 (7th & 10th), Theo and Thea (12th & 3rd!).



BOOK SWAP!

Next Thursday (7th May) at lunchtime, 12:45pm, our Reading Ambassadors will be hosting a book swap in the studio.

This was very popular during Book Festival Week, and we warmly welcome any books that are in good condition.

If your child has a book they no longer read or need, please send it into school so they can choose a different one from the collection.

Thank you for your support!

ATTENDANCE

This week's overall attendance is 96.36%

WE HAVE A NEW WEBSITE ON ITS WAY!

At the end of this month we will be launching a new school webiste. If you have any feedback you would like to give us about how we make the new website as usable for our community as possible, please do let us know by dropping us an email at office@blofield.norfolk.sch.uk with the heading 'Website Feedback'. We thank you in advance for your feedback.

STAYING SAFE IN THE SUN

As the weather starts to warm up, please can we ask that children come to school with sunscreen applied and a suitable hat each day.

We would also really appreciate it if water bottles (for both classroom use and playtimes) are filled with water only, rather than squash. This helps children stay well hydrated and avoids damage from spillages, as well as discouraging ants. Please can we ask that water bottles are not excessive in size and also leak proof as they can get knocked over occasionally by accident.

We're currently working with the PTA to design some suitable shade areas in preparation for the summer weather.

Thank you, as always, for your support.

GENES SPONSORED MOVEMENT

Gene will be completing the challenge next week and has run 18.68 miles so far with 2 more 5ks left to complete. To support Gene please donate below.

Thank you Gene for supporting School.

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THANK YOU FROM THE PTA!

A huge thank you to everyone who took part in our Sponsored Movement! It was fantastic to see so many different activities taking place — from dancing and dog walking to trekking and running, and so much more.

Thanks to all your energy and effort, an amazing £686.23 has been raised for the PTA. This will go directly towards enriching learning experiences and providing valuable resources for the children.

A special well done to Harbour, whose name was drawn out of the hat — your prize is waiting for you at the school office. And what super dancing too!

Thank you again to everyone who got involved and made it such a success!

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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Please keep checking as we add more dates.

Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday Monday - School Closed
Tuesday 5th May	Year 3 visit Time and Tide Museum
Wednesday 6th May	Dentist visiting Reception
Monday 11th May - Thursday 14th May	Year 6 Statutory Assessments Year 6 Breakfast Club available at 8.15am Monday to Friday
Monday 18th May	Class Photographs
Tuesday 19th May	5pm New Reception intake 2026 - parent/carer meeting
Friday 22nd May	Year 5 Showcase Opening Ceremony at Strangers Hall School Closes for Half Term

HALF TERM: MONDAY 25TH MAY TILL FRIDAY 29TH MAY
We welcome children back on Monday 1st June

Wednesday 10th June	New Reception intake 2026 - Teddy Bears Picnic 2pm
Friday 12th June	Non-Uniform in thank you for donations to Summer Fete 2026
Tuesday 16th June	Reception and Year 1 visit Gressenhall - more details to follow
Friday 19th June	Author visiting school - more details to follow
Thursday 25th June	New Reception intake 2026 visiting school
Saturday 27th June	Blofield Summer Fete 2026
Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th June	Acle Transition Days for Year 6
Thursday 2nd July	New Reception intake 2026 visiting school
Friday 17th July	School finishes for the year

SUMMER HOLIDAYS START FROM MONDAY 21ST JULY TO WEDNESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER.
We welcome children back to school on Thursday 3rd September.

OUTDOOR PLAY AND LEARNING

Studies in developmental psychology and neuroscience show that music and movement can:





Support emotional regulation

Enhance social bonding and cooperation

Encourage self-expression

Activate multiple areas of the brain at once, supporting coordination, memory and language development.







We play music every lunchtime and children can make requests.



We enjoy, dance and sing to everything from Mickey Mouse to Metallica! The last song is always Lush Life and is a firm favourite, bringing together boys and girls of all ages!







Our Beginner Sign Language Course has got off to an amazing start. We have had fun learning some key emotions, foods and letters of the alphabet. We even found out how members of the deaf community give a round of applause!







Thank you to Nicola (Millie's mum!) and Jen who are Aviva volunteers.







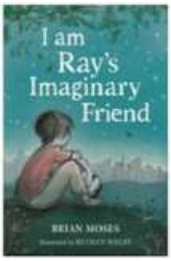
Star Kitties– Laura Ellen Anderson

This illustrated early chapter book series tells the story of a secret world of cats. The striking two-colour illustrations make the book very appealing and ideal for children in Year 2 upwards (age 6+). There is also a map at the start for children to follow the characters on their detective mission. It is a great book to use as a stepping tool from KS1 to KS2: it has short chapters and could help children progress from phonics and onto comprehension led reading.



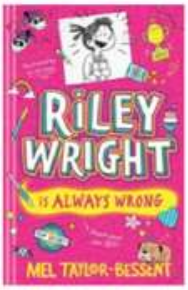
The Panda Badger - Ben Cajee and Brie Schmida

The Panda-Badger introduces readers to Pablo, who lives in a seemingly fixed world badgers look like badgers and pandas look like pandas, and everyone knows where they belong. But Pablo is neither one nor the other! He is a unique mix of both. In a society that sees the world in binaries, Pablo's very existence challenges the boundaries of belonging. This story sensitively explores the idea that strengths and weaknesses are sometimes a matter of perspective. The badgers thrive in water, while the pandas avoid it. Pablo is in between. Where does someone belong when they do not neatly fit the categories that others rely on? How can Pablo stay true to himself when he feels pulled in opposing directions? The book provides a platform for discussion about identity, diversity and empathy.



I am Ray's Imaginary Friend - Brian Moses

From the outset, the gentle cover, light humour, and engaging narrative voice quickly draw readers in. The story is told from the perspective of Jacob, an imaginary friend created by Ray, whose warm and witty narration establishes an immediate emotional connection. Ray's life in his village is turned upside down when he overhears his parents discussing a potential move. Distressed and unsettled, he invents Jacob as a source of comfort. Through their conversations, Jacob helps Ray build resilience and confidence, guiding him through feelings of anxiety and uncertainty. The story sensitively explores themes of change, empathy and emotional growth, presenting them in a way that is both accessible and reassuring for young readers from age 6 upwards.



Riley-Wright Is Always Wrong - Mel Taylor-Bessent

This is the first book in a super-fun and positive new series aimed at younger readers who are not yet ready for Dork Diaries, Lottie Brooks or Diary of a Wimpy Kid.It follows the life of Riley Wright, a girl starting in Year 4 at a school where her Dad is going to be the new Headteacher! Riley is often embarrassed by her father and hopes to blend into her new environment, so she is horrified when he announces that she is his daughter on the first day. Despite this, she manages to make a best friend (Emmie) that morning and is shown her secret library in a long-forgotten cupboard, which becomes the girls' refuge during the next few weeks. There are positive messages about things usually turning out better than you expect, not becoming worked up about difficulties with one tricky person, and learning from our mistakes.



Myths, Gods and Gladiators in Ancient Rome - Stephen Davies and Laurie Avon

The Romans are endlessly fascinating and remain a popular subject for readers of all ages. In this engaging book, readers are immersed in the world of the Romans and, through exciting comic-strips and highly illustrated spreads, are given a chance to learn about key elements of their history and culture, both good and bad. A fantastic choice for fans of the Romans and a great way into a history topic for Key Stage 2 pupils – especially those who enjoy reading comics and graphic novels.

Reminder
Uniform Expectations

We have noticed that a number of children are not coming to school in the correct uniform, particularly on PE days. We'd like to kindly remind families of our expectations so that we can maintain a consistent and smart appearance across the school.

Children may come to school wearing their PE kit on their PE day or when attending an after-school sports club. However, it is important that the correct PE kit is worn. Branded sportswear, football kits, or alternative sports clothing should not be worn in place of school PE uniform.

We are especially seeing this issue in the older year groups, and we would really appreciate your support in helping us reinforce these expectations.

Thank you for your cooperation.



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

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Margherita Pizza with Potato Wedges (v)	Chicken in Tomato Sauce with Steamed Rice	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Pork Bolognese with Pasta Twists	Chicken Fillet Bites and Chips
Hot Option 2	Chinese-Style Plant Balls with Steamed Rice (Ve)	Cheesy Pasta (v)	Cheese and Potato Pie with Gravy (v)	BBQ Loaded Bean Bake (v)	Garden Vegetable Goujons and Chips (v)
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Served with	Mixed Salad	Peas and Sweetcorn	Carrots and Green Beans	Mixed Vegetables	Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Summer Berry Cupcake	Vanilla Ice Cream	Beetroot Brownie with Orange Wedges	Fruit Jelly	Lemon Shortbread with a Melon Wedge
Packed Lunch	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Orange Wedges, Summer Berry Cupcake	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Pizza Finger, Sultanas, Vanilla Ice Cream	Cheese and Tomato Pasta, Salad Sticks, Orange Wedges, Beetroot Brownie	Cheese and Tomato Pasta, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Fruit Jelly	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Melon Wedge, Lemon Shortbread

Week One: 13 Apr | 4 May | 1 Jun | 22 Jun | 13 Jul | 14 Sep | 5 Oct — Fresh Fruit Available Daily

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Margherita Pizza with Tomato Pasta (v)	Chicken Curry with Steamed Rice	Chipolata Sausages with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato and Gravy	BBQ Shredded Chicken in a Wrap with Potato Wedges	Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers and Chips
Hot Option 2	Vegetable Curry with Steamed Rice (Ve)	Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake (v)	Plant Sausages with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato and Gravy (v)	Vegetarian Enchilada with Potato Wedges (v)	Cheese and Potato Pastry Pinwheel and Chips (v)
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Served with	Sweetcorn	Mixed Vegetables	Carrots and Peas	Mixed Salad	Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Fresh Fruit Platter	Marble Shortbread	Summer Berry and Apple Slice with Greek Yogurt	Orange Cupcake	Apple Flapjack
Packed Lunch	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Fruit Portion	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Pizza Finger, Orange Wedges, Marble Shortbread	Cheese and Tomato Pasta, Salad Sticks, Fruit Portion, Summer Berry and Apple Slice	Cheese and Tomato Pasta, Salad Sticks, Fruit Portion, Orange Cupcake	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Apple Flapjack

Week Two: 20 Apr | 11 May | 8 Jun | 29 Jun | 31 Aug | 21 Sep | 12 Oct — Fresh Fruit Available Daily

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake (v)	Hot Dog with Potato Wedges and Tomato Dip	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Mashed Potato and Gravy	**"Build your Own"** Chicken Taco with Steamed Rice	Fish Fingers and Chips
Hot Option 2	Tex Mex Chilli with Steamed Rice (Ve)	Plant Sausage Hot Dog with Potato Wedges and Tomato Dip (v)	Vegetable Pastry Plait with Mashed Potato and Gravy (v)	**"Build your Own"** Vegetarian Taco with Steamed Rice (v)	Cheese and Tomato Frittata and Chips (v)
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Served with	Peas and Sweetcorn	Mixed Salad	Broccoli and Carrots	Sweetcorn	Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Banana Muffin	Shortbread	Apple Crumble and Greek Yogurt	Oaty Cookie	Chewy Krispie Bar with Orange Wedges
Packed Lunch	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Banana Muffin	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Shortbread	Cheese and Tomato Pasta, Salad Sticks, Melon Wedge, Flapjack	Cheese and Tomato Pasta, Salad Sticks, Sultanas, Oaty Cookie	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich, Salad Sticks, Orange Wedges, Chewy Krispie Bar

Week Three: 27 Apr | 18 May | 15 Jun | 6 Jul | 7 Sep | 28 Sep | 19 Oct— Fresh Fruit Available Daily

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TRY A SCOOTER FOR FREE!

Make your school run fun, easy, and active.



From Tuesday 28 April, Blofield Primary School is taking part in an exciting scooter loan trial in partnership with AtoBetter and Micro Scooters!

Blofield Tennis Club

Open Day 2026

9 May 2026 | **10am to 2pm** | **Free**

Margaret Harker Recreation Park, Yarmouth Road, Blofield NR13 4LE

Tea/Coffee and Cakes

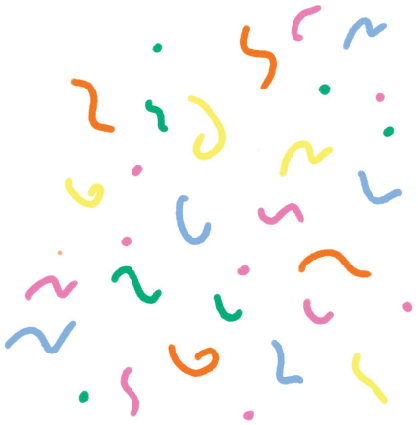
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Come and try tennis and see what the Club has to offer.



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FunTime Club

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

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