BLOFIELD BULLETIN

NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

FRIDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Blofield Primary School
Headteacher:
Mrs V Buxton
Tel: 01603 713386

School Priorities for 2026/2027

Curriculum and Teaching



For our core subjects we want to:

- Improve outcomes in writing in all years.
- Fully embed our English curriculum through Literacy Tree.
- Improve consistency in teaching mental methods in maths.
- Have all classrooms to be engaging and have a thirst for learning

Attendance and Behaviour

By building strong relationships with children and adults that focus on trust, consistency, calm adult behaviour, and relational practice we want to:

- Develop and embed consistent behaviours and attitudes which demonstrate a strong culture of high expectations and mutual respect from staff and children.
- Ensure all stakeholders understand 'The Blofield Way' and what this looks like. Attendance is good because children enjoy and want to come to school.
- Develop our curriculum and school day to meet the changing needs of our children, focusing on engagement and explicit teaching and learning of our values to ensure our children know how to be responsible citizens in today's world.

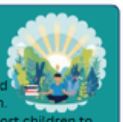
Leadership



With new leadership and a new school building we want to:

- Provide consistent support and feedback to the headteacher to help embed their leadership style and strategic goals.
- Clarify expectations for all leadership roles, including subject leaders and support staff. Everyone is a leader in school and knows how they impact on whole school success.
- Promote distributed leadership by empowering staff to take ownership of their areas of responsibility.
- Improve our development for support staff.

Personal Development and Wellbeing



To support children and adults to be the best they can be we want to:

- Give children experiences outside of the National Curriculum which are varied and progressive over their time at Blofield that makes them inspired and want to learn.
- Give children opportunities to take on responsibilities and initiatives as well support children to be resilient and aspirational.
- Support all adults to ensure they have the tools and skills to do the best job they can.
- Be a listening school for children and adults and give protected time to listen and support.



Thank you for attending our Meet the Teacher events

IThank you so much to everyone that was able to come along to our meet the teacher events at school. If you were unable to attend, the sldies will be going on our website for all classes very soon.

Jewellery and Hair





Please remember to support us by ensuring children only wear stud earrings for school. Children will hoops will be asked to remove them due to health and safety. During PE lessons, children can either remove earrings or be given medical tape to cover.

Other jewellery should not be worn, unless for religious reasons. Thank you for letting us know about this. Watches are allowed but no smart watches or those with alarms. If watches become a distraction during lesson, we will ask to look after them until the end of the day.

Hair needs to be tied up for PE lessons. We will give children hair elastics if they do not have them.

Thank you for your support in helping keep children safe in school.



ATTENDANCE

This week's overall attendance 97%

Reception intake 2027 sessions



First evacuation practice completed successfully



A huge well done to everyone today for our first evacuation practice. All children from our very youngest to our oldest, left the building sensibly and listened to adults brilliantly. We were able to all leave the building safely in less than 3 minutes!

CHRISTMAS CARDS



Classes are getting busy with designing and making their cards. We really hope you like them. If you would like to order some printed cards, please return your child's design and order to your child's class. Orders MUST be returned by Friday 2nd October to ensure you get them ready for the Christmas period. The cards will come home on Thursday 24th September.

PTA INFORMATION



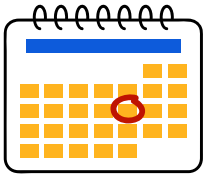
Don't forget the PTA are holding a quiz on **Friday 9th October, 7.30pm** start with snacks, prizes and other games. All very light hearted!

The AGM is also being held on **Wednesday 30th September at 6pm** at the school. All are welcome. Come and hear how we are supporting the school and what's being planned for the year.
Please support these events if you can 💫

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 23rd September 2026	Thorpe St. Andrew opening evening - Year 6. Year 5 parents may also like to attend.
Monday 28th September 2026	Bear Ear Clinic Year 1
Thursday 1st October 2026	Acle opening evening - Year 6. Year 5 parents may also like to attend.
Tuesday 6th October 2026	Norfolk Police visiting EYFS
Friday 9th October 2026	PTA Quiz
Tuesday 13th October 2026	YEAR 6 Visitiing Gressenhall
Wednesday 14th October 2026	Parents' Evening - more details on how to book soon
Tuesday 20th October 2026	Parents' Evening - more details on how to book soon
Monday 2nd November 2026	Flu Vaccinations
Wednesday 4th October 2026	ILP Parents' Evening - more details on how to book soon
Monday 7th December 2026	Flu Vaccinations Catch-Up

Christmas Dates coming next week...

Welcome!

WELCOME

OUTDOOR PLAY AND LEARNING

WELCOME BACK







Welcome back to OPAL!



SUPPORT

Please help!

We always need junk such as boxes tubes, crates, cable reels, buggies, suitcases, hats, old phones, keyboards, and any old toys.
Before you throw it away - Think...OPAL!
Email:
Sculley-barber@blofield.norfolk.sch.uk



Whether exploring new possibilities or returning to familiar enterprises, OPAL has something for everyone!







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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)
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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)
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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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Blofield Primary School

Resilience • Aspirational • Kindness

You are warmly invited to our

Blofield Primary School

PTA AGM

We would love to see you at the Blofield Primary School PTA AGM.

Wednesday 30 September

6pm

Blofield Primary School

Your support and involvement make a real difference.

BLOFIELD PRIMARY PTA

QUIZ NIGHT



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

FRIDAY 9TH OCTOBER

SCHOOL HALL

7PM DOORS OPEN - 7.30PM START

£6 PER PERSON - INCLUDES SNACKS

TEAMS OF UP TO 8 PEOPLE

BAR AVAILABLE WITH ALCOHOLIC & SOFT DRINKS

INTERVAL GAMES

CASH AND CARD ACCEPTED

TO BOOK YOUR TEAM

BUY YOUR TICKETS AT THE WEBSITE -

HTTPS://BLOFIELD-PRIMARY-SCHOOL-PTA.SUMUPSTORE.COM/PRODUCT/QUIZ-TICKET-X-1

OR SCAN THE QR CODE.

ONCE YOU'VE PURCHASED TICKETS, EMAIL SECRETARYOFPTA@BLOFIELD.NORFOLK.SCH.UK WITH YOUR TEAM NAME AND NUMBERS SO WE CAN HAVE YOUR TABLE READY.

Norfolk County Council

Free School Meals is changing: here's what you need to know

Free School Meals (FSM) is changing from September 2026. Please read each point, as this may affect your eligibility.

1. More families are becoming eligible

All households on Universal Credit are becoming eligible, with two tiers of entitlement:

- **Targeted:** if you earn under £7,400 a year, your children will be entitled to FSM and extra support for their school
- **Expanded:** if you earn above £7,400: your children will be entitled to FSM only

All households who receive other qualifying benefits will also receive Targeted FSM. A full list of qualifying benefits is available on our webpage: www.norfolk.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals
You will only need to apply once per child.

2. Protected entitlements are ending

Children who were previously assessed as eligible for FSM had their eligibility protected. This meant they could not lose their FSM, even if the household was no longer eligible. These protections are ending in September, meaning some children may lose their existing eligibility. We will contact you to confirm your eligibility before the end of the summer holiday.

3. Annual eligibility rechecks

We will recheck the eligibility of all children on an annual basis. **Parents already in receipt of benefits related FSM do not need to reapply**, as your eligibility will be rechecked and confirmation of this will be sent to you before the end of the summer holiday.

4. No Recourse to Public Funds

Due to these changes, **all households that qualify as No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF) and receive FSM must reapply** or you will lose your entitlement.

Questions

If you have any questions following receipt of your updated eligibility, please contact us at:
fsm@norfolk.gov.uk

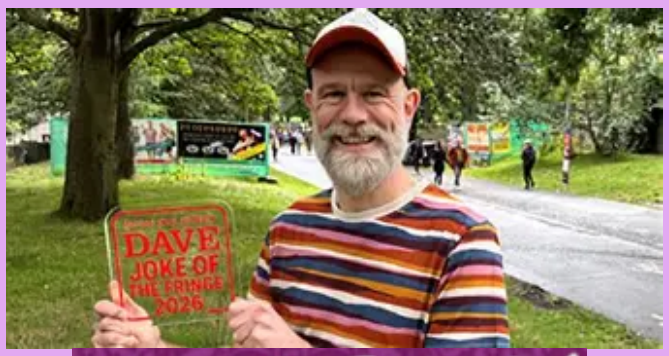
Applying online

www.norfolk.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

The easiest and quickest way to apply is online via Norfolk Education Online (NEO).
Scan the code or visit the link and click 'Apply for free school meals'.

New Release





Olaf Falafel

Following Olaf's school visit last June the top author went on to perform at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival.
He won Best Joke!
His new book, 'Portal Loo Panic' is sure to delight his many fans at Blofield!
Brand new and released this week this graphic novel is the second adventure for the 'Far Out Five'

Let us know if you read it!

THE 4:30 FAMILY SERVICE

@ Blofield Church

Starts 20th September

A short service of storytelling, singing, creative prayer and activity for families, followed by a shared meal.

Every third Sunday of the month, 4:30pm at Blofield Church

For more information, contact Revd Andrew:
revandrewtapsell@gmail.com



PLAYPARK CLOSED

After a period of heavy usage we are sorry to inform you that we have had to close the Margaret Harker Playpark temporarily while work takes place to fix maintenance issues to ensure all the play equipment meets safety requirements and is covered by our insurance. We have to ensure it is safe for use and cannot permit anyone to use the playpark while it does not meet standards. We are fixing this as fast as we are able.

Please be aware that we are a registered charity and receive NO FUNDING AT ALL for this playpark – we rely on your donations as playpark users (and Hall income) to provide Blofield with this playpark for use by the community here. Our charity pays for the annual inspection and maintenance costs. There is a donations QR code in the playpark. Please consider making a donation to our charity when you use the playpark, or via our website.

We have a professional Maintenance Person starting work on the Playpark around 21st September. However, we really still need volunteers to perform the monthly checks of equipment and for you to report any issues you see with the playpark or around the grounds.

If YOU would like to volunteer as a playpark monthly inspector that would be fantastic. Please do get in touch. You will be given funded full training. It is something that takes about 30 minutes once a month, timing is flexible to suit you, and you tick boxes to complete a simple report. Blofield needs you! Please help if you are able! We would provide a reference evidencing you volunteer with us to any future employer if required.

Many thanks for your support,

The Margaret Harker Hall & Blofield Memorial Ground Committee

heritage open days

Margaret Harker Hall & Blofield Memorial Ground presents:



BLOFIELD: A Living History

Explore the recent history of our local community through the perspective of villagers, living here. Portraits, interviews and historic artefacts combine to offer a fresh perspective of Blofield's history over the past 125 years.

FREE ENTRY
EXHIBITION

Refreshments available
10 - 4 Saturday 19th Sep
10 - 4 Sunday 20th Sep

With grateful thanks, this exhibition has been made possible due to the generosity of Blofield Parish Council, Blofield Tennis Club & Mrs B.Pilch

COMPETITION FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL PUPILS!

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THE SPOOKIER, THE BETTER!

DESIGN A HAUNTED HOUSE!



OPEN TO PUPILS AT
BRUNDALL, HEMBLINGTON & BLOFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOLS

YOUR DESIGN

- Design a haunted house on an A4 piece of paper.
- Draw and colour using pencils or felt tip pens.
- The spookier, the better!

SPOOKY PRIZES!

Spooky surprise prizes, including vouchers!

★ VOUCHER ★

THREE WINNERS!

One winner from each school!

- Brundall Primary School
- Hemblington Primary School
- Blofield Primary School

Please add your name and class to each design.

Hand this to your headteacher by

MONDAY, 19 OCTOBER 2026

GOOD LUCK!

We can't wait to see your spooktacular creations!

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1 Station Road,
Brundall, NR13 5LA

FunTime CLUB

Information

About FunTime Club

We provide a fun, safe and inclusive environment for children to play, create and make friends.

Our club is child-led, nurturing and welcoming to all.

Activities

- Arts & Crafts
- Outdoor Play
- Themed Events
- Construction
- Role Play
- Sand Play
- Water Play



Fees

£12.50 per child (3:20 pm – 5:45 pm)

£8.50 for collections up to 4:20 pm

We accept childcare vouchers, BACs, and operate flexible booking

Payment details provided on registration

Opening Times

Monday to Friday

office@funtime-club.co.uk 07787 402187

📞 Contact Information

Manager: Karen Diven
Email : office@funtime-club.co.uk

Mobile: 07787402187
Club mobile: 07762438889 (between 3pm -6pm) ring to collect your child

🌟 FunTime Club News 🌟

🍂 September 2026 Newsletter 🍂

🎈 Issue 1: WelcomeBack!

📣 Parent Bulletin

Welcome to our new monthly newsletter. We hope you all had a lovely summer. The children have returned excited and settled back in really well. A big hello to our new Reception children and to the other new children who have joined us — they are all doing amazingly well.

💷 Fees

£20 annual registration fee

£12.50 per session

Sibling discount

Early pick up by 4.20pm is £8.50

We accept Bacs, childcare vouchers, Government tax free scheme

🎂 September Birthdays

Happy birthday to
Jamie
Blake

✅ Reminders

Please send children with drinks bottle

No nuts, chocolate or sweets in packed lunch
Please cut up grapes
Send coats in cold /wet weather

🚪 Pick up changes

Please ring the club mobile 07763438889 and wait in the school reception area and FunTime Club staff will bring your child yo you. If you have no signal there is a door bell that you can use

Many thanks for your cooperation

If your child is coming to FunTime Club please leave scooters / bikes outside of the gate as we do not have the staff to go and escort the children and for safeguarding cannot let the parents go unattended

If your child will not be attending FunTime Club, please let us know directly so staff are not looking for a child who is absent.

📅 Bookings

- Bookings are flexible, but once sessions are booked, they will be charged for. Children may attend other school clubs before coming to FunTime Club. Extra sessions can be added when spaces are available.

Please tell Funtime club directly if your child is not coming to Funtime club so staff are not looking for missing children

✨ Whats new and happening in FunTime club

Small world kalaxunitsetup toshow the thethemesofthe month we haveaddedpush in coloured lights,textured floors, and thechildrenhave shown a lot ofinterest

Wehave a autumnseasonal treelooks brightandvibrant

Anautumn sensorybox filled withdried pasta, chickpeas, leaves, conkers, acorns, cinnamon sticks, woodland animals , scoops, funnels, and amazing different textures

🧩 Topic breakdown

We set up a new small world unit where each cube is set up with a differen theme to that months topics. The children have really enjoyed this

🗓️ Weekly topics

W/C 1-9-26 – settling in

W/C 7-9-26 – All about me

W/C 14-9-26 Autumn

W/C 21-9-26 woodland animals

W/C 28-9-26 on the Farm

Outdoor play: The children have enjoyed frisbees, tennis, football, pram walks and a big Year 5 school game.

Creative activities: They have painted family pictures, explored the sensory tray, worked on Lego projects, built a city with road maps and wooden blocks, and made delicious food in the home corner café.

Thank you: A big thank you to Verity and Jack for their lovely donation of kitchen role-play equipment.

Bertie for the octunuts, cars etc

Isaac for the polic station And other toys

🎁 Resources needed will be much appreciated

- Small world toys
- Sensory toys
- Pulses, chick peas, pasta etc
- Tinsel , tree decorations
- Plastic fences, trees,batterey lights
- Wrapping paper
- Any toys/ games that are no longer used

Our Small world

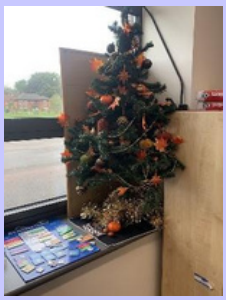


📸 Club Gallery

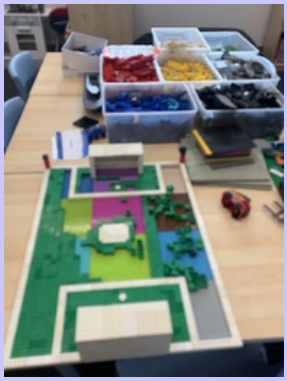
Autumn sensory box



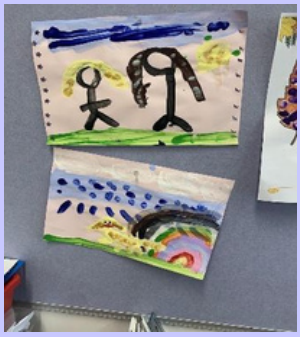
Autumn seasonal tree



Lego creations



All about me



Our home corner



Natural owl

