

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 20th July
Year 2 Leavers Assembly
9:30am

Wednesday 20th July
1:45pm end of term (Whole
School)

Thursday 21st July
Summer Holidays

Thursday 1st September
Inset day (Staff only)

Friday 2nd September
Inset day (Staff Only)

Monday 5th September
Start of Autumn Term 2022
(Year 1 & 2) (Reception
children as invited)

Thursday 8th September
Start of Autumn Term
Nursery

Friday 9th September
9am PTA YR parents
coffee and cake welcome

School News

Feeling hot, hot, hot! Wow, this has been a difficult last week just because of the heat, but the children have all been brilliant and we are certainly very grateful to have our air conditioning units in school!

The school has been busy with all classes getting organised for the end of term, the leavers event and assembly and preparing for the renovation works that are taking place over the holidays.

Year 2 had their Leaver's event on Monday and have been busy practising for the main event – the Leaver's Assembly – which was brilliant and as I said before, there wasn't a dry eye in the house! Well done Year 2. We have enjoyed watching you grow into the young people you are today and we are proud of every single one of you. Best of luck as you move to Year 3!

We have sent out a parent questionnaire on Parentmail which we would love you to take a few minutes to complete. Please login to your account to complete it. Your comments are really important to us, and we will assess them over the Summer and discuss any changes we feel are necessary.

PE t-shirts

In September your child will be put into a team: emerald (green), ruby (red), sapphire (blue) or amber (yellow). The children will earn points for their team as part of our reward system. They will remain in the same team for the duration of their time at Bland's and siblings will be placed in the same team. The school will provide every child with their first PE t-shirt in September and then as they need replacing, they will be available from Oliver Signs for parents to purchase.

Uniform

Our Chair of Governors sent out a communication yesterday explaining the Board's decision to change the colour of the boys' shorts and trousers. As per the letter, we look forward to seeing all children wearing navy uniform (not grey or black) or blue check summer dresses for the start of the new term. The summer dresses can be worn from the start of September to October half term and after the Easter break until the end of term. If any families need support in providing the uniform, please do pop in and see us or email the school office and would be happy to assist.

We wish you all a fantastic summer break, enjoy the sunshine and we look forward to welcoming our new Year R, 1 and 2 children back in September.



PTA News

To see what you may have missed out on please visit the PTA on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MrsBlandsPTA>

Get in Touch via –

mrsblandspta@gmail.com

or catch someone on the playground –

**Ben Ash, Laura Hooke,
Sian Killen, Charmaine
Kelly**

Little Acorns Pre-Nursery

The children have been fantastic in the nursery during the extreme heat these last few days. They have enjoyed a last chance to play and explore with a few of their favourite activities from their year with us in Little Acorns, such as problem-solving with pom-poms and different-sized containers, a superhero-themed tray, and a farmyard scene as well as a small world fairies and ponies corner. In the maths area, the children enjoyed shape puzzles and sizing activities.

We want to say a big thank you to all, it's been a wonderful year, and we are incredibly proud of our Little Acorns as some venture off ready to continue their schooling journey. And to those staying on in September, we look forward to seeing you soon.

Have a wonderful, safe summer.

Acorns (Nursery am and pm)

Acorns have had their visits to their new Reception classes this week and have enjoyed a story with their new teachers.

The children have coped brilliantly in this relentless heat and we would like to thank you all for your lovely gifts and cards.

We hope you have a lovely summer and look forward to seeing you all grown up in Reception next year!

Maple and Beech News (Reception)

This week in Reception we stayed mainly inside, the children did amazingly well in the heat. There was lots of co-operative play with the Duplo and other construction toys. We are so proud of how they coped.

Thank you so much for all the gifts, they are much appreciated. We wish them all the best in Year 1.

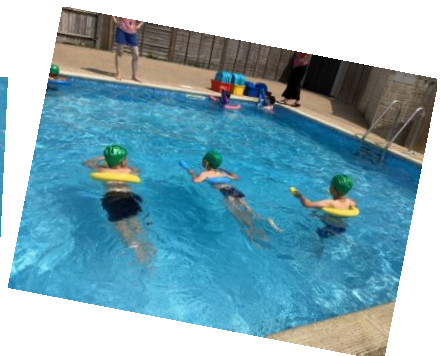
Birch and Cherry (Year 1)

This week in Year 1, Cherry class enjoyed their movie afternoon with popcorn after winning the Summer Fayre tombola competition. We have also been comparing Burghfield, London and Rio De Janeiro. The children enjoyed making some carnival masks. We discussed their hopes for the summer from seeing, family to eating ice cream and learning how to snorkel. In computing the children enjoyed designing their own programmes on Scratch Junior by choosing their own background, sprites and giving them algorithms.

Thank you for all your kind gifts and wish you a fantastic summer holidays!

Hazel and Rowan (Year 2)

In Year 2 we enjoyed our Leaver's Event on Monday. The children loved being able to go swimming, and it was the perfect way to keep cool in this heat! We then celebrated their time at Mrs Bland's with pizza and Ice cream and talked about what we have enjoyed this year. We then spent Tuesday practising for our Leaver's Assembly and Acorns came to watch our dress rehearsal. We hope you all enjoyed today's performance and would like to thank the children and staff for working hard to produce a cracking show! Good luck in Year 3, we will miss you all!



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Please click on the link below to access the new school lottery where you can win money and prizes whilst supporting the school. Please share this link with your friends and family. The more people that buy tickets, the better the prizes and the more money we raise. Thank you for your support and good luck everyone!

The PTA

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