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**Newsletter 18**

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Parent Meetings**

Thank you to all parents, new and old, who attended the New Reception Parent Evening on Wed 21 June and the Ingleborough meeting on Tuesday 27 June. It is always a pleasure to see so many parents at the meetings and we hope that these were useful in providing the information you needed.

**PTFA Summer Fair**

A massive thank you to all who attended or contributed to our school Summer Fair on **Saturday 24 June**. It was a hugely successful event, with even the rain managing to hold off this year! With your support the PTFA managed to raise **£2930.00** towards school funds. This is the highest amount raised during the last 6 Summer Fairs, and was over £1000.00 more than last year. Thank you! Our sincere appreciation to all of those who helped out both on the day and in the weeks prior to the event who worked incredibly hard to make the day such a success.

**Grenfell Fire Collection**

Again, we extend our sincere thanks to all of those who donated to this collection arranged by our School Council on Friday 23 June. £388.00 was raised. The generosity of all donations demonstrates what a wonderfully compassionate school community we have at Blakehill. Look out for pictures in this week's Telegraph and Argus!

**School Open Days**

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel our parent Open Days which were planned for 4 and 6 July due to low uptake. We are hoping to relaunch these again in the Autumn. Here at Blakehill we have an 'open door' approach to everything we do and always welcome parent involvement. Staff are always available at the beginning and the end of the day, visible in the playgrounds, should you need speak to anyone.

Mrs Wardell (year 1) and Mrs Corbridge (Learning Mentor) are already planning a series of parent/community coffee mornings/sessions for the next academic year. Any parent with ideas for 'themes' for these should contact either Mrs Wardell or Mrs Corbridge.

**Drama Workshops**

Each year, we run a series of drama workshops in the Summer Term. Last year the focus was Shakespeare. This week we have had two visitors in school, delivering drama and story sessions. Conrad Burdekin, children's author and poet, delivered workshops about 'Captain Cut-throat' to the children in Reception, Year 1, 2 and 3 and Alex Fellows shared drama and story-telling techniques with Years 4 - 6. Their theme was 'Survivors' and tales of survival in extreme circumstances were re-enacted. The children have had a great time and are now busy writing up some of their stories for whole school displays.

**Blakehill FUN DAY 2017**

Last year we celebrated the end of term (almost there) with bouncy castles and ice creams on the field. We have arranged to do the same this year and our Fun Day will be on **Friday 14 July**. A huge thank you to our PTFA for funding the Fun Day event.

**Robinwood 2017**

Our year 6 children returned from a fabulous, albeit tiring, 3-day residential at Robinwood last week. Staff at the Activity Centre praised our children on their behaviour, attitudes and enthusiasm – a credit to our school. Many thanks to the staff who organised and accompanied them, contributing to the new experiences the children



encountered and the exciting challenges they faced. Thank you Mr Rhodes, Mr Sidebottom, Mrs Bedell and Mrs Bottomley.

### New Classes

During the afternoon of **Wednesday 12 July**, the children will find out who their new teacher will be in September. Information regarding new classes will be provided in a newsletter on that day as we do not want to spoil the 'surprise.'

### End of Year Reports

Your child's end of year report will be sent out on **Friday 7 July**. You will receive information regarding your child's progress, attainment, behaviour, attendance and effort during the last academic year. As always, we welcome your feedback and a reply slip will be available for you to make comments if you should wish to do so.

### Pupils Work Sent Home Reminder

Some parents may wish to have selected work completed by their child sent home at the end of the school year. If you wish to have work sent home, please send a request letter to your child's class teacher and this will be arranged. Can we request that letters are submitted by **Friday 14 July** to allow teachers to gather work together before the end of term.

### Diary Dates

**Year 6 Leaver's Prom: Monday 17 July 6:30pm – 8:00pm**

**Year 6 Leaver's assembly: Tuesday 18 July at 6:00pm**

**Blakehill's Got Talent: Thursday 20 July**

**Non uniform day: Thursday 20 July. A £1 donation is being requested**

**Awards Ceremony: Friday 21 July**

**School Closes: Friday 21 July at 3:15pm**

**School Reopens for the Autumn Term on Tuesday 5 September at 8:45 am**

### Class Assemblies Summer Term

30 June: 3P

7 July: RG

14 July: RD

### Special Mention in Achievement Assemblies

Class	19 and 26 June
6S	The whole class
6R	Megan Fisher and the whole class
5R	Daniel Bedford and Subhan Rehman
5H	Sara Alhameli and Elliot Johnson
4L	James Broadbent and Taylor Blackmore-Ryan
4Lo	Alex O'Connor and Molly Rhodes
3P	Hollie-Mae Cordingley and Isabel Watson
3R	Riley Bell and Poppy Leyland-Dennett
2S	Freya McConnaughie and Martha Kettlewell
2P	Lucas Murphy and Cara Ledgard
1W	Ethan Dickinson and Tilly Trotter
1P	Harleen Toor
RG	Connor Murphy and Lily Taylor
RD	Tilly Robinson and Makean Hutchinson

Class Attendance trophy winners 19 and 26 June: **RD with 98.1% and 4L with 96.8%**

Yours sincerely,

L. Keighley  
Head of School

T. Patterson  
Headteacher



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