

## Newsletter 11

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday this week, Mr. Lowe, Miss Lea and our school Digital Leaders led an assembly which raised the children's awareness of being safe on the internet and what to do if they see or hear something that upsets, worries or concerns them. The assembly was an introduction to Esafety Week and staff and pupils have been involved in activities linked to raising the profile of safety on the internet. Mr. Lowe has provided suggestions for useful websites for parents and children: <http://www.thinkyouknow.co.uk/parents/> and <http://www.childnet.com>

### Bradford East 1 Dance Project

Last week, our children in Year 4 got the chance to work with pupils from Grove House Primary School as part of the Bradford East 1 Zumba Dance Project. Thank you to Mrs. Horrocks who worked with the children on this day.

### Cross Country/Gymnastics

A very well done to our children who took part and achieved success in 2 sporting competitions last week. Scooping the 3<sup>rd</sup> place bronze medals in KS2 Cross Country were: Jake Ferris-Eamer, Lucy Popple, Matthew Wakefield and Holly Walters from the year 5 and 6 classes. An excellent effort also to our Lower Key Stage 2 competitors: Lois Watson, Amelie Haxby, Daniel Coe and Alex O'Connell. Our Year 3 Gymnasts came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place and received silver medals, congratulations go to Lois Watson, Caelan Batty, Ishraj Sudle, Luke Toft, Adam Greenwood, Miley Skillicorn, Gracie Lumb and Libby Davidson. Many thanks to Mrs. Russell for her continued efforts in providing access to sporting events, raising the profile of our children's sporting achievements and for organising and attending the event.

### After School Clubs

At Blakehill we offer a range of after school clubs to ensure that all of our children have opportunities to become involved in activities they enjoy, need to get better at or want to try as a new interest. So far this year, pupils have had the opportunity to become involved in: choirs, a range of sports activities, drama, science club, Maths and English sessions, blogging club and guitar lessons. Staff are always eager to give up their time to extend opportunities for children to participate in different activities. On the request of some of our pupils, we are hoping to add to the range of extracurricular activities currently provided. Please watch out for Food Technology club, Card making activities, Art club, Gardening club and Cycling Proficiency lessons during the next half of the school year. Thank you to all adults in school who continue to offer their expertise.

### School Website

Videos of our children working through addition, subtraction, division and multiplication problems can be viewed via our school website <http://www.blakehillprimary.co.uk/> and by clicking on the **curriculum zone** tab at the top of the homepage. There are demonstrations of children using the calculation strategies taught in school from KS1 to upper KS2.

### Sainsbury's Vouchers Needed

We appreciate all the Sainsbury's vouchers already coming into school. We use them to help contribute to playground equipment at break times.

## Diary Date Reminders

PTFA Meeting Tuesday 23 February at 6:15pm all welcome

### Parent Teacher Consultation Evenings

**Tuesday 15 March and Thursday 17 March: 3.45-7.00pm.**

To make an appointment please log into your ParentMail account where you will be able to choose your appointment slot from Monday 29 February.

Mid Term Reports on pupil progress will go out to parents on Friday 11 March and will provide information on your child's attainment, effort and behaviour at this mid- point through the academic year.

### Year 2 SATs and Year 1 Phonics Screening Test

Parents have an opportunity to find out how they can help their child in numeracy and literacy by attending a workshop in school. Parents will also have the opportunity to find out about the arrangements and what will be expected of children for the Year 2 Key Stage 1 SATs later in the year and the Year 1 Phonics Screening Test.

**Year 5 and 6 parent workshops are at 6.00pm - 7.00pm on Tuesday 12 April.**

**Year 3 and 4 parent workshops are at 6.00pm - 7.00pm on Thursday 19 April.**

**Year 1 and 2 parent workshops are at 6.30pm - 7.30pm on Thursday 21 April.**

### Drop in clinic with the school nurse.

The next session is on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March between 9am and 10am in the Extra Club building. We hope to have people from the local Family Centre's attending to give advice.

### Class Assemblies for Spring Term 2016

Parents are welcome to attend our class assemblies held on Fridays at 2.45pm

26 February: 1R   4 March: RD   11 March: RW

### Special Mention in Achievement Assemblies

| Class | 1 and 8 February 2016                           |
|-------|---|
| 6W    | Whole class and Emma Storey                     |
| 6R    | Jade Dibb and Kieron Williams                   |
| 5S    | Larissa Watson and Ruby Firth                   |
| 5H    | Megan Fisher and Holly Walters                  |
| 4G    | Peter Cahill, Emily Williams and Imogen Everard |
| 4L    | Ben Noble and Calum Lockwood                    |
| 3L    | Archie Brooksbank and Phoebe Hildreth           |
| 3G    | Amber Charlesworth and Charlene Royston         |
| 2S    | Marley Miller and Reshay Conway-Desmier         |
| 2R    | Priya Jackson and Jessica Cowell                |
| 1R    | Daisy-Mae Asquith and Noah Firth                |
| 1P    | Owais Rehman and Whole class                    |
| RW    | Sahar Abbas and Annabelle Matthews              |
| RD    | Lewis Carey and Reece Everard                   |

Class Attendance trophy winners 1 February: 4L - 99%

Class Attendance trophy winners 8 February: 4G - 100%

**School closes for half term today Friday 12 February at 3.15pm and re opens on Monday 22 February at 8.45am.**

Enjoy the holidays!

T Patterson  
Headteacher

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Head of School