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**Newsletter 12**

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Easter Egg Appeal**

Firstly, many thanks to all of those families who have already helped to support our Easter Egg Appeal by donating Easter eggs for under privileged children across the district. These are currently on display in our Reception area and your overwhelming support is very much appreciated. The eggs will be collected during the final week of this half term by our Chair of Governors, Phil Cavalier-Lumley.

**School Library**

Our school library is almost complete and is looking fabulous. The staff and children are very much looking forward to using it. On Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March, England International footballer Tom Cleverley will visit our school to launch the opening of our new library. Tom used to be a pupil at Blakehill many years ago and has said that he would love to revisit his primary school and be part of the opening. Once all books and resources have been catalogued, the children will be able to borrow from the library. Thank you to all who have donated books. We are hoping to hold a book sale sometime in the near future.

**Parent Consultation Evenings**

Thank you to all parents who were able to attend our parent/ teacher consultation evenings this week. We hope that you found these useful in providing information on your child's attainment, progress, effort and behaviour in school. Thank you also to those parents who completed our online parent survey. Your views are very important in ensuring that we continue to provide the best possible provision for our pupils at Blakehill.

**School Choir**

Bradford University have contacted school and asked that our school choir be part of their graduation ceremony in the Summer, following the highly commended performances of the choir at Christmas. Mrs Marsden and Mrs. Bedell are once again organising the event and will be holding choir practices during lunchtime every week. Old and new members from years 3 to 6 are welcome!

**Penalty Shoot Out**

Thank you to everyone who has already brought in sponsor money for the Bradford City Penalty Shoot-out. The closing date for monies coming in is Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March. Medals, footballs and the winner of the signed football will be given out during a Celebration Assembly after the Easter holidays.

**Parking**

We continue to receive a number of complaints from other parents and local residents with regards to dangerous and inconsiderate parking. Reports of parking across resident's driveways, on grass verges and on yellow markings have been passed to Bradford's Highways department and our PCSO, who will be patrolling the area during the coming weeks. Year 5 pupils will be getting involved in a project to help raise awareness of dangerous parking after the Easter holidays.

**Red Nose Day**

Mrs. Hall and the school council are busy organising activities for Red Nose Day which is on Friday 24 March. Children can wear **red** for the day and are being asked for a £1 donation which will go directly to the charity. Parents should have already received a letter with additional details.



### Break Time Snacks

Just a reminder about snacks for break times. Children in Key Stage One receive free fruit daily as part of promoting a healthy lifestyle. Pupils in years 3 – 6 are encouraged to bring a healthy snack for break times also. This should be either fruit, cereal bars or vegetables. Only water is allowed in water bottles for during the day and still drinks for packed lunches. Thank you.

### Diary Dates

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March** – Mother's Day Stall for KS1 (KS2 should have received order forms)

**Year 4 Nell Bank Residential:** Monday 3 April – Wednesday 5 April

**School Closes on Friday 7 April and reopens on Monday 24 April**

**KS1 (Year 1 and 2) Parent workshops:** Tuesday 25 April: 6:00 – 7:00pm

### Year 6 Assessment Week: Monday 8 May.

Parents will receive an assessment timetable nearer the time and are advised that their child **should** attend school **every day** that week.

### Class Assemblies

Parents are welcome to attend our class assemblies held on Fridays at 2.45pm in the school hall.

**17 March: RD      24 March: 5H      31 March: 5R      28 April: 1P      5 May: 1W      19 May: 4L**

**26 May 4Lo**

### Special Mention in Achievement Assemblies

Class	6 March and 13 March 2017
6S	Toby Blenkins and Brooke Pearson
6R	Abubaker Sadiq and Kennedy Thewliss
5R	Archie Sparrow and Kyle Heptinstall
5H	Millie Bell and Mckensey Roebuck
4Lo	Libby Graves and Aarish Verma
4L	Emily Carette and Jay Brown
3R	Ellie Sherriff and Jessica Moreland
3P	Isabelle Watson and Ehizojie Iyoha Imadojemu
2S	Muhammad Aman and Lily-Mae Yarwood
2P	Eleanor Williams and Phoebe Newberry
1W	The whole class and Edward Grattan
1P	Sachleen Kaur, Kairo Pitt and Charlie Penman
RG	Isla Burke and the whole class
RD	Teghveer Singh and Tyler Chadwick

A special mention to some of our children who are achieving great things out of school of which we are very proud: Holly Walters (6R) who came 9<sup>th</sup> place out of 53 in a cross country competition last weekend involving children aged 10 and 11 across Bradford North and Kaitlin Walker (5H) who scooped Gold and Silver Medals at a National Taekwondo competition recently.

Well done girls!

Class Attendance trophy winners 7 March: 2S with 99.3%

Class Attendance trophy winners 13 March: 5H with 99.7%

Yours sincerely

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Head of School

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