

Blakehill Primary School

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**Spring Term
2019**

Upcoming Diary Dates

Friday 12th April: School closes

Monday 29th April: School reopens

Tuesday 30th April: Year 6 Danelaw

Tuesday 30th April Year 1 Skipton Castle

Monday 6th May Bank Holiday school closed

Monday 13th May – Friday 17th May: Year 6 SATs

Nell Bank Residential 2019

Pupils in Year 4 had a great time on their 3-day residential to Nell Bank in Ilkley this week. In addition to the long walk on Tuesday that proved a challenge to many, the children delighted in pond dipping, mini-beast hunts and outdoor adventure play. What a fabulous way to learn about what the great outdoors has to offer!

All of our residential visits focus on developing team building, resilience and co-operation and are an essential way of helping children build character.

Thank you to all of our school staff who organised and accompanied the children on the visit. Please see our school Twitter and school blog for more photos and information.

Ingleborough

Thank you the parents that attended the Ingleborough Parent meeting on Thursday 11 April. If you require any further information or you were unable to attend the meeting, please contact either the school office or one of our Year 5 teachers.



Staff News – Something in the Air?

Congratulations to Mrs Javed (5J) and her husband who welcomed their son Daniyal into the world on 29.3.19, weighing 6lb 5oz., Baby Daniyal is doing really well and Mrs Javed is excited about bringing him into school to meet her class after the holidays.

Good luck and best wishes to Miss Gardner who leaves school today to start her maternity cover. Miss Gardner expects her baby at the beginning of May. She has asked me to express her sincere thanks to the parents of the children in her class for their warm wishes and gifts. She will miss her class very much. Mrs Morton will be 1G's class teacher after the Easter break.

Finally, congratulations to Mrs Russell (6R) who is expecting her second child in August. Mrs Russell will start her maternity leave in the Summer.

We are extremely proud of our Year 2 children who took part in the multi-sports competition at Woodhouse Grove on Monday. Great attitudes and fabulous teamwork!

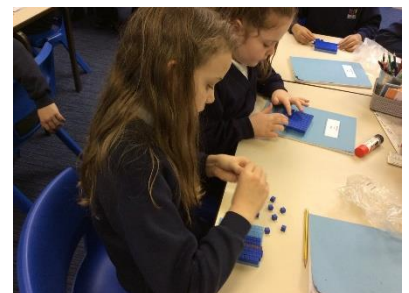


At Blakehill – 'Together We Can'



Some of our children practicing mindfulness and well-being activities this week.

Every day is
a learning
day



Cosmic kids
yoga



Mad Hatters!

The whole school went hat crazy for our Wear a Hat Day in support of Brain Tumour Trust – a perfect example of how imaginative and creative Blakehill children and parents are! Well done to Ruby (5R) and Ella who won the design an Easter bonnet competition also Isabelle and Ruby (Rec) who were runners-up.



Easter Egg Appeal

Our Chair of Governors, Mr Cavalier-Lumley would like to thank parents for their kind donations towards our Easter Egg Appeal. We collected 125 Easter eggs. These will go to disadvantaged children in our district this Easter.

321

276

Blakehill Values and Ethos

298

264

House Points

Pupils at Blakehill can receive house points for demonstrating a positive attitude to their learning, trying their best, never giving up even when facing challenges, high quality work and supporting others in their learning. This system encourages pride, achievement and teamwork. House points recognise independent and collaborative achievements. All children are part of a house team. Our house teams are named after Jowett cars:

Kestrel, Javelin, Jupiter and Kingfisher.

During our Monday Celebration Assembly, the house with the highest number of house points achieved the previous week is announced.

Well done to **Kestrel** who were the house winners last week with **321** house points.

Manners Count

We encourage all of our pupils to respect themselves and others and conduct themselves appropriately in and around school. Staff reinforce these fundamental qualities, to support our children in aiming for and achieving their full potential as young people and eventually adults. In school, positive behaviours are recognised and rewarded with raffle tickets. Children can earn these by using their manners, being kind and considerate towards others and being honest.

Well done to who James and Pola who were entered for and won our half term super draw!



Attendance

KS2 SATs

Can we remind Year 6 parents of the importance in ensuring that their child attends school as often as possible before and during SATs week.

Every single day of learning counts and contributes to your child's preparation for and achievement in these assessments.

SATs Week 2019

13.5.19 – 17.5.19

Well done to Ivie for achieving the 100% attendance award



Current whole school attendance is 96.4%

Weekly top attending classes: 3R and 6R - £5 vouchers for both classes!

Class Assemblies

Summer Term Assemblies

Class assemblies are on a Friday afternoon at 2:45pm. Parents are welcome to attend their child's assembly. The dates of all class assemblies for Summer Term are:

3 May: 4P	14 June: 3Ro
10 May: 4H	19 June: 5R
17 May: 1W	21 June: 2S
24 May: 1G	28 June: 2P
7 June: 3R	4 July: RD
	12 July: RP

Please note: For child protection and safeguarding reasons, we request that all photos and videos should be for personal use only and not shared on social media without the consent of other parents

Well done to the following children who received celebration certificates in assembly on Monday 8th April

RP - Jake Newsham and Eikam Dilan
 RD - Grace Poole and Jan Kubala
 1W - The whole of 1W and Riley McHugh
 1G - Oscar Guiry and Isa Milnes
 2P - Hari Singh
 2S - Julia Kaminska-Kodzik
 3R - Cora Crabtree
 3Ro - Tilly Trotter
 4H - Eleanor Williams
 4P - Gurneet Hira
 5J - The whole of 5J
 5R - Kesja Kazmierczak
 6R - Oliver Mitchell
 6G - The whole of 6G and Molly Rhodes

5R assembly rescheduled for Wednesday, 19th June at 2:45pm

On behalf of all staff and governors at Blakehill, we would like to wish our families a happy, restful and safe Easter holiday.

