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**Spring Term
2019**

Welcome back after the half term break. We are looking forward to another busy and enjoyable Summer term!

Sports Day 2019

Well done and thank you to all of our Blakehill children and staff who participated and helped to organise the very smooth running of our Key Stage Sports' Days last week. Despite some unpredictable weather, the children had a great time taking part in a range of sporting activities. It was lovely to see so many family supporters at the events too.

A special thank you to Miss Dobson who had the huge task of leading and co-ordinating the day.

Super well done to **Kingfisher** who were the overall Sports Day winning house team of 2019.



PTFA Reminder

School Disco: Tuesday 25th June

Reception and KS1: 5:00pm - 6:00pm KS2: 6:15pm - 7:15pm

All children to be collected from the KS1 playground

Upcoming Diary Dates

**Monday 17th June – School Closed
(Staff Training Day)**

Tuesday 18th June – Year 5 to Fagley
- Kate Greenaway Project

Tuesday 9th July - Year 6 Leavers'
Production – 6:00 pm

Monday 15th July - Year 6 Prom:
6:30pm – 8:00pm

Friday 19th July - 9:00am - Year 6
Awards Ceremony (parents
welcome)

KS2 SAT's results: Tuesday 9th July

Thursday 11th July – Year 2 to
Yorkshire Wildlife Park

Robinwood Residential

Next week our Year 6 pupils visit Robinwood Activity Centre in **Todmorden** for their 3-day residential. We are sure that they will have a wonderful time making some lifelong memories.

Parents should have received information about the departure time and the time they are expected to arrive back to school on Friday. Further information can be obtained via your child's class teacher or the school office.

Watch out for the piranha's year 6!

Curriculum Enrichment

We place a great emphasis on enriching children's learning experiences across the curriculum at Blakehill, promoting opportunities that help our children develop the skills and knowledge they will need to become life-long learners and responsible young people.

Children in Reception classes and KS1 have been doing just that with their various visits to the mosque, Rodley Nature Reserve and Thornton Hall Farm during the last couple of weeks. Thank you to parent/grandparent helpers, Colin and Natalie from St Cuthbert's Church and staff at school for ensuring that these experiences run as smoothly as possible for our children.



Year 2 at the Mosque on Tuesday



Reception classes and Hub children at Thornton Hall Farm



Year 1 at Rodley Nature Reserve last week



Speaking Out

A group of Year 4 pupils visited Bradford City Hall to participate in a Children's Global Conference. Pupils from schools across Bradford gave presentations to an audience of councillors, pupils and staff from other schools and Bradford's Lady Mayoress on environmental issues affecting our planet. Blakehill children gave a presentation on the importance of reducing plastic waste and the effect that this has on our Oceans.

We are extremely proud of our children, they were fabulous ambassadors of Blakehill and presented confidently and knowledgeably at the conference.

Thank you to Miss Philip for working with the children to prepare the presentations and for accompanying them to the event.



Online Safety Awareness - Parent Invitation

We would like to invite parents into school on Monday 1st July at 9:00am for an online safety presentation with PC Luke Carson. Luke has worked with school for a number of years now, helping deliver online safety sessions and assemblies to staff and pupils. Mrs Roberts, our school based ESafety lead, will also be present at the meeting to talk to parents about the work we do in school to safeguard our children from potential online risk.

We are hoping that this will be an informal meeting that allows open discussion and a forum for questions and concerns to be raised.

There will be refreshments available in the school hall. All welcome!

Blakehill Values and Ethos

738

556

House Points

708

624

Including house points awarded for Sport's Days,

WELL DONE TO KINGFISHER- HOUSE OF THE WEEK!



Keeping Children Safe

During the last couple of weeks, children across school have been taking part in various assemblies and workshops to help them understand how to keep themselves safe from harm. Thank you to PCSO Turner-Blood and representatives from the NSPCC who worked with school to get these very important messages over.

New Reception Parent Welcome Session

It was lovely to meet so many of the new parents who have children starting in September.

Meetings were held in school on Wednesday 12th June and gave our new parents the opportunity to meet with staff, governors, representatives from our PTFA, Kim from Extra Club and Michelle from the school's catering service. It was great to see so many new (and some old) faces. We are looking forward to working with you all in September!

Thank you to all staff and friends of Blakehill who attended the meetings.

School Reports

End of year school reports will go out to parents **on Friday 5th July**. The report will contain information on your child's achievements, attainment and progress, behaviour, their attitude to learning, effort and attendance.



Outdoor Library

Thank you to all of our children and families for continuing to donate books for our school community to share. Books are free to borrow, read and return.

Happy reading!

Attendance

Weekly top attending classes: 1G for two consecutive weeks- £5 vouchers for each week!



Well done to Tyler and Amber for achieving the 100% attendance award



Current whole school attendance is 96.2%

Well done to the following children who received celebration certificates in assembly on Monday 3rd and 10th June

RJ - Benjamin Winstanley & Erin Butterfield
RD -Ophelia Cornwall & Lucas Bakes
1W - Jay Stoneman & Dominik Polec
1G - The whole class
2P - Lillie-Mae McHugh & Spencer Armstrong
2S - Leo Graham & Ellie Lockwood
3R - Crystal Fawcett & Bilal Parvez
3Ro - Isla Townend & Christopher McHugh
4H - Ethan Blackburn & Ruby Gregg
4P - Olivia Whitfield & Kaidan Jones
5J - Rehan Hussain & Chloe Greaves
5R - Isabel Watson & Luke Fenton-Brown
6R - Hollie Williams & Cora Kerin
6G - Kelsey Lancaster-Baxter & Archie Brooksbank

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:

17 May: 1W

24 May: 1G

7 June: 3R

14 June: 3Ro

19 June: 5R

21 June: 2S

28 June: 2P

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

Finally...During the school holiday, we received a notification of criminal damage to one of our office windows. There have also been a series of reports of youths in the grounds when school is closed.

Could we ask that our families, friends and neighbours are extra vigilant and report any sightings to 101.

We are proud of our school and work hard to make sure that it always looks well maintained and loved. Thank you on behalf of us all.