

Blakehill Primary School

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Enrichment Opportunities

Enrichment at Blakehill is not an add-on; it is an embedded, integral part of our everyday curriculum design, carefully implemented to ensure that EVERY single child, regardless of background or starting point, has access to experiences and opportunities that build, character, curiosity and strong values.

We firmly believe that financial circumstances should never be a barrier to any child's participation. **No child should ever miss out.** If you are experiencing financial difficulties that may affect your child's ability to attend an upcoming visit, residential, or activity, please speak to Mrs Keighley or a member of the Senior Leadership Team. All conversations will be held in the strictest confidence, and we are always here to help support your family.



Early notification - Parent/Teacher Consultation Evenings

Tuesday 24 November 3.45 p.m. -7.00 p.m.

Wednesday 25 November 3.45 p.m. -7.00 p.m.

It is that time of year again where parents are given the opportunity to meet and speak with their child's class teacher at our Parent/Teacher Consultation Evenings. Ten- minute slots are available for parents to discuss their child's progress, attainment, effort and behaviour.

You will be able to book an appointment for this from Monday 2nd November via eSchools. Please contact the school office should you require help with accessing this.

Blakehill Open Classrooms

Prior to Parent/ Teacher Consultation evenings, parents/carers of children in all classes are invited into school on **Tuesday 17th November from 3:30pm-4:30pm** to meet the teacher and look through their child's work. It's a great opportunity for your child to share their learning. We look forward to seeing you there!

Upcoming events/ diary dates this half term

Wake up Shake up daily
8:30am -8:45am

Forest schools
Every Tuesday afternoon

Rock Steady and Learn to Rock
Music Lessons
Every Thursday

Parent Coffee Morning – School
Nurse attending
Friday 9th October @9:00am

Year 1 Local Area Walk
Tuesday 13th October

Year 4 residential to Nell Bank
**Wednesday 14th October – Friday
16th October**

Reception Parent Phonic Meeting
Thursday 15th October @ 3:30pm

Year 1 visit to Industrial Museum
(washday workshop)
Thursday 22nd October

School Closes:
**Thursday 22nd October. This will
be a non-uniform day/ Break the
Rules Day**

School Reopens:
Monday 2nd November

Year 5 Residential to Buckden
**Monday 2nd – Friday 6th
November**

Parent Sleep Clinic
**Wednesday 25th
November@9:00am**

Parking

High on the School Council list is their annual campaign to raise awareness of safe parking. Local residents and our children are still concerned about the number of illegally and inconsiderately parked vehicles there are.

The school council urge us to park safely for their sake and are looking to involve the police and Local Authority to support them in their ongoing mission.

Meet the School Council

We are delighted to introduce our new School Councilors, who have been chosen by their classmates in a democratic election process to represent them at all meetings with members of the school's senior leadership.

These children listen to the opinions, suggestions and concerns of the children in their classes and make sure that pupil voice actively influences school improvement. I am sure that they will all do a fabulous job!

Thank you, School Council!



Break the Rules Day

How much do we all LOVE to break the rules at Blakehill?!

School Council have decided that the non-uniform day planned for **Thursday 22nd October** should be an opportunity to do just that! 50p for each rule broken.



Random Acts of Kindness

The School Council wasted no time in their initial campaign to spread kindness. They delivered bunches of lowers to local care homes, school staff, businesses and on the windscreens of residents' cars in an attempt to make someone smile. Great job!



Inspiring Young Minds

Last week, a group of Blakehill's cross country enthusiasts, met Kevin Sinfield during his 7marathons in 7 days, stop off in Pudsey. What an inspiration he is!



Our garden enthusiasts loved visiting the Flower Garden in Centenary Square and were eager to replicate the display in Blakehill grounds. We have received hundreds of donated bulbs which we will be busy planting during the autumn and winter months.



Parent Support – Together We Can

There are limited places available on our upcoming Sleep Clinic delivered by the Children's Community Support Team who are in school on Wednesday 25th November from 9:00am.

Email: send@blakehillprimary.co.uk to reserve your place.



The Best Days of our Lives

We look at enriching learning experiences every day, providing our children with a curriculum that is broad, rich, engaging and meaningful. Take a peek at some of our learning so far...



Our intrepid year 1 children following all of the clues with meticulous precision in their Monster Hunt Mission!



Cycle/scooter to school week has been a huge success this week – the children have loved riding on the field and playgrounds at lunchtime making for happy and positive play.



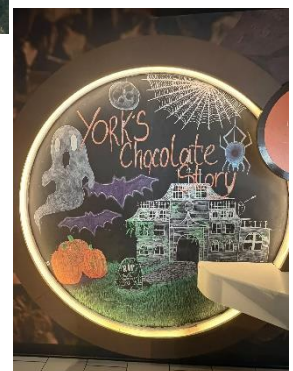
A grateful thanks to this green-fingered group of British Gas engineers who dedicated their time and effort into pruning, planting and constructing to further improve our school grounds.

Together We Can and do at Blakehill Primary!



Building on the successes of previous years, our cross-country events get better and better and the skills, determination and ability of our young runners is second to none.

Looking forward to the new season of success.



Forget Willy Wonka- these chocolatiers are master tasters and creators following their visit to the Chocolate Factory in York!



The Queen of Hearts making jam tarts with Blakehill's after school cooking club. Shaping lives, building belonging and helping children thrive!



National Teacher Day!
How lucky we are!



Blakehill Values and Ethos

House Points

Pupils at Blakehill receive house points for demonstrating a positive attitude to their learning, trying their best, never giving up, even when faced with challenges, high quality work and supporting others in their learning. This system encourages pride, achievement and teamwork. House points recognise individual and collaborative achievements. All children belong to a house team. The names of these teams have strong links with Bradford and are named after Jowett cars.

KINGFISHER KESTREL JAVELIN JUPITER

During our Monday morning celebration assembly, the house with the greatest number of house points achieved the previous week is announced.

Well done to **JAVELIN** who were our house winners this week.

Attendance - making every day count!

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100% attendance at school is extremely important in helping all pupils achieve their full academic potential. We recognise that good attendance and punctuality are crucial to raising standards and pupil attainment. Any absence affects the pattern of a child's schooling and regular absence will seriously affect their learning. During our weekly celebration assembly, the highest attending class of the week receives a £5 voucher to spend or save. All children that have 100% attendance that week are entered for a weekly prize draw.

How is your class doing?

Attendance percentage	
1M	98.6%
1W	96.9%
2B	97.5%
2H	96.5%
3G	98.6%
3R	98.6%
4N	96.2%
4R	96.9%
5M	97.7%
5R	99.0%
6J	95.9%
6N	96.3%
RD	98.1%
RP	98.0%
National	96.3%
Local Authority	96.4%

Four classes
achieved top
attendance of
99.3% last week!

**Current whole
school
attendance:
97.5%**

Celebration Assembly award winners: Friday
25th September and 2nd October

Class Assemblies

Class assemblies are on a Friday morning at 2:30pm. Parents and carers are welcome to attend these. The dates of the 2026/7 class assemblies are:

6N: Friday 15th January

6J: Friday 22nd January

5R: Friday 29th January

5M: Friday 5th February

4N: Friday 12th February

4R: Friday 26th February

3G: Friday 5th March

3R: Friday 12th March

RD: Friday 23rd April

RP: Friday 7th May

1W: Thursday 20th May

1M: Friday 28th May

2H: Friday 18th June

2B: Friday 25th June

Both Reception
Classes Graduation
Ceremony:
Friday 9th July

Please note:

For child protection and safeguarding purposes, we request that photos and videos are for personal use only and not shared on social media etc. unless express permission from the parent concerned is given.

