

Blakehill Primary School

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Open Classrooms

Thank you to those parents that managed to attend our open classrooms event this week.

The pupils and staff at Blakehill have been working hard to make sure that the school looks as wonderful as always with recent pupil work being displayed in all corridors and classrooms.



Parent / Teacher Consultation Evenings Reminder

Tuesday 22nd March 3:45pm - 7:00pm

Wednesday 23rd March 3:45pm - 7:00pm

We are really looking forward to meeting with parents next week to discuss your child's learning. Appointment times are limited to 10 minutes each. Staff and parents are asked to observe these timings. This helps us to avoid long waiting times for parents.

Entry and exit will be via the main entrance to school.

You should receive your child's mid-term report today. You will have the opportunity to discuss this with your child's class teacher during the consultation evening.

Rock Concert

On Thursday morning the school hall was filled with the sound of rock music. Children from across school performed to an audience of parents, families, friends, staff and pupils as part of the 'Rock Steady' band fest.

It was great to see how confident the children were on stage and how well they managed to engage an audience with their musical skills.

Thank you Mrs Scott for organising this and to the children at Blakehill for being Rocktastic!!

PTFA Events

Our PTFA are in school next week to run a Mothers' Day Stall. Children will be able to buy a gift for someone special on **Friday 25th March**. Gifts are £2.50 each. To assist in the safe handling and storage of money, we are asking that children arrive at school on Friday with their money in a named envelope. This is to be handed in to their class teacher.

Please note the change of date and times of our next school NEON themed disco. Due to the DJ being double booked, the date is now **Tuesday 29th March: KS1 from 4:30pm - 5:30pm and KS2 from 5:45pm - 6:45pm**. Entry with a free raffle ticket is £2.50 per child. Refreshments and merchandise are available too. Please enter via the main school gates at reception. Children should be collected from the KS1 playground afterwards.

Upcoming events/ diary dates this half term

Red Nose Day – **Friday 18th March**

Parent Mid-Term Reports - **Friday 18th March**

Year 3 Visit to Leeds Discovery Museum: **Thursday 24th March**

Spring Term Parent/Teacher Consultation evenings: **Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd March**

PTFA Mothers' Day Stall - **Friday 25th March**

PTFA School Disco (please note the change of date)

Tuesday 29th March

KS1 4:30pm - 5:30pm

KS2 5:45pm - 6:45pm

Lost Property displayed in the hall
Friday 1st April



Thank you for the BCFC sponsor money. This is still coming into school. The last date of collection is Wednesday 18th May.

Thank you once again for your generous donations of Easter Eggs for our 2022 Easter Egg Appeal. All eggs will be collected by our Chair of Governors on Friday 1st April and then distributed to disadvantaged children across the district. Thank you for your kindness.

Night Owls

Following an email home last week, we are asking parents to contact the school office to book a same day place at Night Owls **before** 12:00pm. This ensures that we have adequate pupil/staff ratios and sufficient refreshments and resources available for all children attending the provision. Thank you.

End of school Collection

A reminder to parents to contact school to inform us of any changes to the end of school collection arrangements for their child as soon as possible before the end of the school day. Staff in KS1 will only allow children to leave with their known adult unless we receive notification of any changes.

Staff Vacancies

We are currently looking to appoint 3 cleaners to join our premises team. The role would suit anyone looking for 16 ¼ hrs of work between 3:15pm - 6:30pm Monday to Friday (term time only). For further details, please contact our school business manager, Vicky Scott 01274 414355/ vicky.scott@blakehill.bradford.sch.uk



Springtime at Blakehill is always one of our favourite times of the year. The grounds are looking fabulous and our recent planting mission certainly adds colour to our learning environment. Thank you to Mr Hepton and Sam Blackmore (site manager) for bringing this extra little bit of loveliness to brighten our day. Every little helps!



KS2 Playground

We have had such great feedback from pupils, parents and staff about the wall murals in our KS1 playground. They brighten up these play areas which otherwise look rather dull and uninviting.

Plans are in the pipeline to create a mural for our KS2 playground that will run along the perimeter fence. Our school council and pupils in Year 6 are gathering ideas of what they want to include in the mural to make it a bespoke piece of artwork that depicts their time at Blakehill. We have once again commissioned the work of local artist Mike Grainger who recently worked with the Bradford OUTLOUD and United Arts Project to create eye catching community murals in Holmewood.

We cannot wait to get started!



Lunchtimes

It is great to see the return of structured team games on the school field this week. We try to provide many activities at lunchtime. These include structured sport/team games, tranquillity club, Lego club and colouring club.



Year 6 Visit

On Monday 14th March, our year 6 pupils, accompanied by staff, parents and grandparents, visited Roundhay Park and Tropical World, Leeds. This visit enriches the learning about tropical rainforests that these children are currently studying.

Even in year 6 we enjoy spending time together to learn new things!



Dance Club Reminder

PLEASE NOTE: The after school dance club on **Tuesday 29th March** has been cancelled due to the PTFA Neon Disco. The parents of pupils that attend this have been informed by text this week.

Blakehill Values and Ethos

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

KESTRAL

JAVELIN

JUPITER

Well done **JAVELIN** who were our house winners for the whole of last week with **193** house points.

Attendance - making every day count!

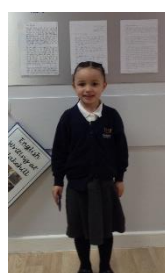
Current whole school attendance is **95.8%**. National is 96%. Making sure that your child attends school as regularly as they can is important!

Let's make sure we achieve 96%

Attendance target Blakehill!



Congratulations to our 100% attendance winners!



Well done to 1D top attending class this week - £5 voucher for you!

Celebration Award winners **Monday 7th and 14th March.**

Well done children we are very proud of you.



Class Assemblies 2021-22

Class assemblies are on a Friday afternoon at 2:30pm. It is a pleasure to once again be able to invite our parents into school to watch their child's assembly. The dates of all class assemblies are:

PLEASE NOTE: 2P assembly in July is on a Thursday.

8th October: 5G

15th October: 5J

22nd October: 4R

5th November: 4J

12th November: 1D

19th November: 1G

26th November: 3S

3rd December: 3R

14th January: 6R

21st January: 6H

28th January: 2S

4th February: 2P

11th February: RW

4th March: RP

11th March: 1G

18th March: 1D

1st April: 6R

29th April: 5G

6th May: 5J

20th May: 3R

10th June: 3S

17th June: 4J

24th June: 4R

1st July: RP

8th July: RW

14th July: 2P

15th July: 2S

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

