

Blakehill Primary School

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Summer Term 2026

Year 6 Key Dates – Summer Term

Year 6 Secondary transition day: **Wednesday 1st July.**

Year 6 Prom: **Tuesday 14th July** at 6.30pm – 8:00pm.

Year 6 Production; **Tuesday 7th July** at 6:00pm

Year 6 Award's Ceremony: **Friday 17th July** at 9:00am

Year 6 Leaver's Walk. **Friday 17th July** at 3:00pm

Details of all of the above shared at a later date.



Thank you PTFA for our Year 6 leavers' hoodies, a great way to celebrate the end of their KS2 SATS. The work doesn't stop yet though – we are still busy preparing for our End of Year Production.

PTFA Summer Fair

Our PTFA Summer Fair is on Saturday 20th June between 1pm-3pm. Donations can be handed in to your child's class teacher or the school office. **Friday 19th June** is a non-uniform day. The fine for this is a bottle for the bottle tombola, a 'good as new' item or a jar filled with sweets. We look forward to seeing you all there – everyone welcome. It's a great community event.

Special thanks to our die-hard PTFA volunteers.

Staff News

As we draw ever closer to the end of term, we are preparing to say goodbye to some of our longstanding and highly valued members of the teaching team at Blakehill.

After an incredible 33 years, Mrs. Hall (Assistant Headteacher) is retiring in the Summer. She has dedicated all of her working life to Blakehill children and their families and will be greatly missed by us all.

Mrs. Sheerin also celebrates a whopping 33 years at Blakehill as she completes her last few weeks before heading to the more relaxing days of retirement. She is closely followed by Mrs. Marsden (HLTA) who also retires in the Summer after 26 years at Blakehill and a further 8 in Education.

Miss Gardner who started at Blakehill 14 years ago, first as a student and then as class teacher is also moving on to pastures new to further her career in teaching.

On behalf of everyone at Blakehill I would like to express my sincere thanks to them all and wish them all love and happiness in this next chapter of their lives.

Upcoming events/diary dates

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

Whole school Shakespeare Workshops
Wednesday 17th June
Thursday 18th June

Fathers' Day Stall. £3 per gift:
Wednesday 17th June (in school)

School Council – Clean Air Day
Thursday 18th June

Whole school Non-Uniform Day
Friday 19th June. Fine is an item for our bottle tombola/Sweet jar

PTFA Summer Fair:
Saturday 20th June 1pm-3pm

Blakehill PTFA FUN Day
Inflatables and Ice creams
Thursday 25th June

New Reception Parent/Carer welcome meeting
Thursday 25th June at 5:00pm

Sports Days 2026
Wk. commencing Monday 29th June ★

Meet the Teacher Day
Wednesday 1st July

End of year reports to parents
Friday 10th July

Polling Day

Our Early Birds and Night Owls building will be used as the local polling station on **Thursday 18th June.** Wrap-a-round childcare will be in the school hall that day. Please note: There will be no Wake-up, Shake-up on that day.

School Lunch

From September, the cost of a school lunch increases to £2.66 per meal. This includes a dessert.

Sports Days 2026

We are looking forward to Sports Days 2026 and would love to welcome Blakehill families and friends. The dates and times of these are:

Year 3 and 4 - **Tuesday 30th June 9:30am – 10:30am**

Year 1 and 2 - **Tuesday 30th June 1:30pm – 2:30pm**

Year 5 and 6 - **Thursday 2nd July 9:30am – 10:30am**

Reception - **Thursday 2nd June 1:30pm – 2:30pm**

Children can come to school in their sports kits on the day and are encouraged to wear a t-shirt that matches their House Team colour.

SAFEGUARDING NOTE: Taking photos is fine, but we ask you not to put any photos with other children in on any social media unless you have consent from the child’s parent. We have some children for whom this can have serious consequences. Thank you for respecting this request.

Important Update: School Allergy Policy (Effective from September)

At Blakehill, we have a growing number of children with complex and severe allergies. To ensure the safety of all our pupils, we kindly ask that sweet treats (such as birthday buns, cakes, or sweets) are no longer brought into school.

This update to our food policy will be implemented from September.

While we understand this may cause some disappointment, the health and safety of our children must always come first. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Water bottles: Flavoured Water

Staying hydrated is essential for concentration and learning! To help encourage everyone to drink enough throughout the day, we are updating our school policy to allow weak, sugar-free flavoured water in clear reusable water bottles, alongside plain water.

Fizzy drinks, high-sugar squashes, and energy drinks are not allowed. Thank you for your continued support.

Wembley 2026

Despite a fantastic effort from our U11 school football team, we were beaten, 3-1 in the final by a school from Wimbledon at Wembley. These children had the experience of a lifetime and made great memories. They have been true champions of Blakehill and represented our school with integrity. A special thanks to Mr. Lumb, Billy Summers (Hanson) and the families of our children for their outstanding contribution to this momentous experience.



Reception 2026 Welcome Session

Parents and carers of children that are new to Blakehill in September are invited into school to join us for a welcome session on Thursday 25th June at 5pm. This will give you the opportunity to meet staff, find out a little more information prior to your child starting in September and visit provision.

These are always well attended and really useful. We are looking forward to seeing you all there!



Parent Workshop

Managing challenging behaviour

Delivered by CCST



Thursday 9th July

9am - 12.30pm

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REGISTER NOW BOOK YOUR PLACE

send@blakehillprimary.co.uk

Don't forget to book onto our parent workshop to secure 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...



A great sponsored obstacle event to mark the end of last half term. Fun for everyone!



Together we Can – Wembley 2026

School's dodgeball champions coming 2nd place in the regional finals in Kettering.

Finals here we come!



Our new library has arrived and we cannot wait to share all of the fabulous new books with the children. Year 6 have been busy helping us categorise the new books in preparation for the grand opening!



Children in Rainbow Room working as hard as ever exploring stories and getting messy!



Forest school fun! Den building to shelter us from the British summer rain.



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 **JUPITER** who are house point winners for last half term!

Attendance – Making EVERY Day Count!

Fixed Penalty Notices

Holidays taken during term time are subject to a fixed penalty notice as part of the Local Authority campaign to improve attendance across the district.

Schools do not benefit from any fines - this is paid directly to the council however Local Authority schools like ours are obliged to follow the guidance and procedures.

How is your class doing?

Attendance percentage	
1M	96.1%
1W	96.7%
2G	97.5%
2H	97.0%
3R	96.8%
3S	97.1%
4N	97.2%
4R	97.7%
5J	96.2%
5S	96.1%
6H	96.7%
6N	97.2%
RD	97.1%
RS	95.6%
National	94.9%
Local Authority	94.3%

Whole school attendance is: 96.9%
Bradford: 94.2%
National 94.8%

Celebration Assembly Winners Monday 8th June



Class Assemblies

Class assemblies are on a Friday afternoon at 2:45pm. Parents and carers are welcome to attend these. The dates of the 2025/6 class assemblies are:

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| 5J: Friday 14 th November | <u>1W: Thursday 26th February</u> | 2G: Friday 5 th June |
| 5S: Friday 21 st November | | 2H: Friday 26 th June
(change of date) |
| 4R: Friday 28 th November | 1M: Friday 6 th March | <u>1W: Thursday 25th June</u> |
| 4N: Friday 5 th December | RD: Friday 13 th March | |
| 6H: Friday 9 th January | RS: Friday 20 th March | 1M: Friday 3 rd July |
| 6N: Friday 16 th January | 5S: Friday 27 th March | |
| 3R: Friday 23 rd January | 5J: Friday 17 th April | Both Reception
Classes:
Friday 10 th July |
| 3S: Friday 30 th January | 4N: Friday 24 th April | |
| 2G: Friday 6 th February | 4R: Friday 1 st May | |
| 2H: Friday 13 th February | 3R: Friday 8 th May | |
| | 3S: Friday 22 nd May | |

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.