

Blakehill Primary School

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Autumn Term 2019

Blakehill Obstacle Course 2019

Hooray! The whole school took part in the obstacle course organised by Mr Patterson last week. The children (accompanied by parents, grandparents and staff) jumped over hurdles, wrestled with cargo nets and tackled obstacles with skill and determination to complete the course not once, but multiple times!

Medals and water bottles are being handed out to all pupils who took part and raised sponsor money. Keep it coming!



PTFA NEON DISCO

Thank you to everyone that attended a very busy October school disco. The children looked amazing in their NEON clothes and accessories. With your support, the PTFA raised a fabulous £700!

All of the money raised from events like this go towards providing additional resources and activities to enrich our children's experiences. Thank you.

Bradford Foodbank

Thank you once again for all of your donations of non-perishable food for the Foodbank.

Bags full of food were collected on Monday 21st October. What a team!



Upcoming events/ diary dates this half term

School Closes: **Thursday 24 October.**

School Reopens: **Monday 4 November**

Year 6 Parent Meeting -
Introduction to SATs, Transition
to Year 7: **Thursday 7 November
6:00pm**

Year 2 visit to the cenotaph:
Thursday 7 November

Mid-term reports to parents:
Friday 8 November

Open classrooms: **Tuesday 12
November 3:30pm - 4:30pm**

Parent/Teacher consultation
evenings: **Tuesday 19 and
Thursday 21 November 3:45pm
-7:00pm**

Year 1 Abbey House Museum -
Tuesday 19 November

Non-uniform day - **Friday 15
November**

Year 4 visit to Eden Camp:
Tuesday 26 November

**All dates for Christmas
performances and events will
be in the first newsletter after
the half term**



Year 4 Nell Bank Residential

Welcome home to our year 4 pupils who spent three days and two nights at Nell Bank Activity Centre in Ilkley. As you can see from the photographs below, they have had a wonderful, if not exhausting time.

Thank you to our Blakehill staff for giving up their time to make these activities happen.



Please see our school Twitter for more photos

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 become life-long learners and responsible young people. Here are some example of this:



Year 1 work on Kenya



Parent reading buddies in Reception



Ultimate Frisbee



Marvellous Maths time in Year 1



Painting African landscapes Year 2



Sequencing the Creation Story

Bradford Libraries Reading Challenge

Eight pupils represented our school at the Summer Reading Challenge Awards at Bradford's Science and Media Museum on Tuesday evening this week. The children were selected from all of the children that took part in the Reading Challenge and received a certificate and a book on Planets on behalf of Blakehill for most improved participation.

Thank you to the children, parents and grandparents for supporting their child at the event and for representing the school.



Staff News

Dear Parents,

It is with some sadness that I announce the retirement of our Executive Head, Trevor Patterson. Mr Patterson will be leaving at the end of the school year, next summer after 15 years at Blakehill and continually driving change and success for our children. I ask you to join me in celebrating Mr Patterson's achievements over the years and wish him every success and relaxation in his retirement.

Chair of Governors, Mr Philip Cavalier- Lumley

New Parent Governor

Please welcome Debra Ali our newest school governor who was elected on Friday. Congratulations to Debra and may her term of office be an enjoyable and positive experience. I'd like to thank the other parent, Emma Sheldrake for running and all those parents who took the time to vote.

Chair of Governors

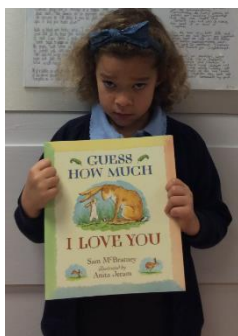
Year 5 / Phase Leaders

Congratulations to Mr Sidebottom who was appointed leader of our Year 5/6 phase today. We wish him every success in his new role at Blakehill.

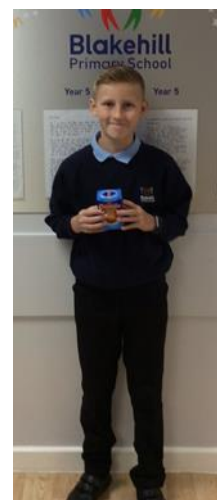
Attendance

Current whole school attendance for Autumn 1 term is 96%.

Well done and thank you!



Well done to Kobe and Ophelia who won our weekly 100% attendance award



Well done to RD and 2S our top attending classes - £5 vouchers to you this week!

69

Blakehill Values and Ethos

113

136

Well done to Kingfisher - house of the week last week
with 136 house points!

100



Great work Mia on receiving a £10
gift voucher and a bag of goodies in
our half term raffle ticket prize draw!
Well deserved.

Well done to the following children who
received celebration certificates in assembly on
Monday 14th and 21st October

1W: Nelly Papierniak and Miley Upson
1G: Tee-Jay Wright and Erin Butterfield
2P: Hannah Chellam and Harvey Fawcett
2S: Kayden Gibson-Gilpin and Isabella Kinch
3R: Sophie Storey and Ben Lucas
3Ro: Kai-James Burgan and Makean Hutchinson
4P: Charlie Penman and Ameer Kinndy
4H: Louis Greaves and Bonnie Broscombe
5L: Joshua Watson and Leah Sykes
5HJ: Harriet Hildreth and Grace Salfarlie
6SR: Jake Gabbutt and Reshay Conway-Desmier
6G: Isabel Watson, and Marcus Fudge
Hub: Lily-Mae Yarwood



Thank you to all of
the parents and
grandparents that
attended our new
Reception class
phonics afternoon.
Our youngest
children were
eager to show the
grown-ups their
learning.

Class Assemblies 2019-20

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 are:

4 th October: 5H/J	20 th March: RJ
11 th October: 5L	27 th March: 3R
8 th November: 4P	24 th April: 3Ro
15 th November: 4H	1 st May: 5J
22 nd November: 3R	15 th May: 5L
29 th November: 3Ro	22 nd May: 1W
10 th January: 6SR	5 th June: 1G
17 th January: 6G	12 th June: 4P
31 st January: 1W	19 th June: 4H
7 th February: 1G	26 th June: 2P
28 th February: 2P	3 rd July: 2S
6 th March: 2S	9 th July: RJ (THURSDAY)
13 th March: RD	10 th July: RD

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

Happy Half-Term!

On behalf of all staff and Governors, I
would like to wish all of our families
and friends at Blakehill, a happy and
safe half term break. Mrs L Keighley