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## Newsletter 6

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Parents Teacher Consultation Evenings

Thank you to all who attended the Autumn Term consultation evenings last week. Feedback from parents and teachers was very positive and it was a pleasure to meet and speak with so many of you. Diary dates for the Spring meetings:

**Tuesday 13 March and Thursday 15 March 2018.**

### Children in Need

Thank you to all children and parents that donated to last Friday's Children in Need Appeal. The school council had arranged a special raffle and this helped to boost the overall total to £684.19. Well done to Ellie Sherriff (4L) who won the Pudsey Bear in the raffle. Thank you to Mrs Hall and school council for organising the event.

### PTFA

We would like to take the opportunity to thank our PTFA for their very generous donations to school resources. The KS1 playground will benefit from new playground markings which will include a giant snakes and ladders game and other floor games to further improve outdoor provision for Year 1 and 2. In addition, the PTFA have paid for new costumes for our Reception class and KS1 class Nativities this year which can be used for subsequent Christmas productions. A grand total of £1915 has been given to school by the PTFA for these resources. Members of the PTFA work hard to organise events to ensure that all monies raised go directly back into school for the children. Thank you!

### School Visits

Thank you to all parents who accompanied Year 1 and Year 3 children on their school visits last week. Year 1 visited Abbey House Museum in Leeds and Year 3 pupils worked with children from Westbourne Primary School on their Linking Schools Project at Nell Bank in Ilkley. Well done children on your fabulous behaviour and thank you to staff for their support.

### Secret Santa Appeal

Blakehill has again decided to participate in The Secret Santa Appeal this year, a scheme which helps to support disadvantaged children and families at Christmas time. Our Chair of Governors, Mr Phil Cavalier-Lumley, who coordinates and champions the charity, will be presenting an assembly to the whole school on Tuesday 28 November. Labels will be available from the school office from Tuesday and will have the name, gender and age of a disadvantaged child.

The idea of the scheme is that if a label is collected, a gift is bought for that child and will be forwarded to them in time for Christmas. Gifts often take the form of: footballs, games, books, dolls, selection boxes etc and are age/gender appropriate. If you would like to help us to support the Appeal, please contact the school office.



## Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancies

Mrs Hargreaves, our Senior Lunchtime supervisor, will be leaving Blakehill in December to pursue another career. We would like to thank her for all that she has done for Blakehill and wish her all the very best in her new role. Congratulations to Mrs Storey who was appointed our new Senior Lunchtime Supervisor. School are now looking to appoint two lunchtime supervisors. The vacancies are for 1hr per day. For further details and an application form, please contact the school office.

## Lunches

Thank you to those parents who raised concerns about their child's school lunch. It appears some children had missed a school lunch on a particular day or had said that choices were limited. Hopefully all concerns have been addressed and resolved.

## Contacting School

We have been made aware that there is some difficulty using the 'Contact Us' form on the school website. We are working to rectify this as the office are not receiving all messages that have been sent using this option. In all events, if you need to contact school, please email us on [office@blakehill.bradford.sch.uk](mailto:office@blakehill.bradford.sch.uk) or telephone: 01274 414355 to ensure that messages are received. Thank you.

## Polite Notice

A local resident has made a complaint about parking on the pathways opposite school, in particular, the area where the fire station used to be. This is making it difficult for pedestrians to access the paths safely. Please can we as parents and carers have consideration when parking at drop off and collection times. Thank you.

## Christmas Diary Dates

Christmas dinner for the whole school will be on **Monday 11 December**. Pupils are welcome to wear their Christmas jumpers/clothes for the day.

PTFA Christmas Fayre: **Monday 11 December** 3:30pm – 5:00pm

**Reception Nativity:** Wednesday 6 December at 10.00am and Thursday 8 December at 2.00pm

**Years 1 and 2 Nativity:** Wednesday 6 December at 2.00pm, Thursday 7 December at 10.00am

**Reception and Key Stage 1 Party:** Tuesday 12 December (pm)

**Year 3 and 4 Christingle Service at St Cuthberts Church, Wrose:** Tuesday 12 December at 2:30pm  
(parents welcome)

Year 3 and 4 Cinema Trip – **Wednesday 13 December**

**Year 5 and 6 Christingle Service – St Cuthberts Church Wrose:** Wednesday 13 December at 2:30pm  
(parents welcome)

Year 5 and 6 Cinema Trip – **Friday 8 December**

## Class Assemblies for Autumn and Spring Term

Parents are welcome to attend our class assemblies held on Fridays at 2.45pm

**10 November: 2P    24 November: 4L    1 December: 4J    12 January: 1P**

**19 January: 1W    2 February: RD    9 February: RG    23 February: 6R**

**2 March: 6G**



## Special Mention in Achievement Assemblies

Class	13 November and 20 November 2017
6G	Emily Williams, Joseph Greenhalgh and Macey Nash
6R	George Dwyer and Stuart Williams
5R	Taylor Blackmore-Ryan and Maisie Bowers
5L	Archie Brooksbank and Kian Hudson-Faulkner
4L	Leah Mole and Ruby Briggs
4J	Lucy Kemsley and Avroop Dhillon
3R	Harvey Marsay, Maisey Waterhouse and Cara Ledgard
3H	Kizzi Peltier and the whole class
2S	Amear Taha and Lewis Carey
2P	Whole class and Louis Greaves
1W	James Chellam and Ella Horn
1P	Alfie Hopwood and Charlie Walker
RG	Oscar Guiry and Aavan Bhandal
RD	Darcy Oram and Polly Crabtree

Class Attendance trophy winners 13 November: 5L and 1W with 100%

Class Attendance trophy winners 20 November: 5L, 1W, RG with 97.3%

Yours sincerely

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