

Blakesley Hall School Newsletter

Spring Term 2 2013/14

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This month's value word is **Unity - Being different - belonging together.**

DATES	YEAR/CLASS	EVENT
2nd April	3G	Parent Meetings (all day)
2nd April	4W	Parent Meetings (all day)
3rd April	3B	Parent Meetings (all day)
4th April	All	HSBC Celebration Assembly
11th April	Yrs 3, 4, 5, 6	Governors Achievement Assemblies (9.15am)
11th April	Rec, Yrs 1, 2	Governors Achievement Assemblies (10.30am)
11th April	All	Children break up for Easter Holiday
14th April - 25th April	All	Easter Holiday
Monday 28th April	All	Children return to school

WELCOME BACK



Ms Key
Inclusion
Manager

Does your child have a particular learning need or disability?

Having just returned from maternity leave I have taken up a new and exciting role within the school. I will be working with children with additional needs. This may be children with Special Educational Needs, disabilities, EoL (new to learning English) or those who have a special gift or talent. Part of my role is to advise and support parents/carers and to link with outside agencies. If you do have any concerns about your child, please feel free to come and discuss them with me or alternatively look out for the Special Needs surgery dates in the summer term.

DINNER MONEY

Dinner money price is going up from 28th April 2014. From £2.00 a day to **£2.05** a day. Weekly dinner money will be **£10.25.**



Change of Pupil Meals

If you would like to change your child's meal from dinners to sandwiches or the other way round, please inform the office two weeks prior to the change. As meals are pre-booked with the kitchen.



WEBSITE NEWS—You can follow us on twitter @BHPS_1



ATTENDANCE

Attendance for March as a whole school is **95.07%**, keep it up to improve our attendance further.

Many congratulations to **Year 4** children who have the best attendance in the whole school (**95.46%**) well done.

A key element of attendance is punctuality. Please remember 'Be on time - 5 to 9' - punctuality has improved, thank you for your efforts- keep it up so that Blakesley Hall children have the very best opportunity to reach their potential.



New English Classes starting Monday 28th April if you are interested please contact the Learning Mentor Team.



Bug Club

Reminder for Parents, homework is available online and children can access Bug Club and Education City through the moodle.



NOW DUE School Fund Donations

School fund donations are usually collected twice yearly. School fund helps to pay for "the little extras" that children enjoy in school as well as bigger things such as sports kits and transport to sports matches, as well as resources for after school clubs & equipments for Forest School.

As mentioned in the previous Newsletter we have attached an envelope for School fund collections for donations for the year of £5 per child or £10 per family.

Much appreciated

At the beginning of the month the Space dome landed at Blakesley Hall School. We were all very excited to get in and find out all about space! We had to sit on the floor and look at the rounded ceiling and walls and the men projected the solar system onto it - it was amazing!

In the space dome it was like you were really flying through space to learn the wonders of space and time . We learned that the planets are more than what we think they are. They are individuals and they perform their own tricks, like Neptune, which can have storms up to 10000 mph! We thought the best bit about it was when they were making pictures with the stars (just like the Romans). When we came out of the dome it felt like you were going to float for the rest of the rest of your life. My mum (Abdi Rahman's) was so dizzy she was so close to falling but she was overwhelmed by the fascinating facts.

- Abigail Gray and Abdi Rahman Ali 5E



SPACE DOME



CHARITY FOOTBALL

Mrs Phillips and Mr Mason will both be taking part in a charity football event on the evening of Thursday 15th May at Villa Park. Tickets are just £1 and all the money raised will go to the Cruse bereavement charity.

This is a unique chance to spend an evening enjoying the atmosphere at Villa Park for just £1 per ticket. If you're interested please leave your name with the school office. Tickets can only be brought in advance.

There will be Easter Activities next week. The lunchtime staff are organising Easter Bonnet Parades & Easter egg hunt. Your child will hear about it next week.



YEAR 5 LIVERPOOL RESIDENTIAL

The children and staff in Year 5 had a fantastic time on their recent residential trips to Liverpool. They stayed overnight at a Youth Hostel and visited The Tate Gallery and the Museum of Liverpool on the first day of the trip. On the second day they took a short drive to the coast to find out about defences against coastal erosion and the work of the RNLI. It was an action packed couple of days and we look forward to running the trip again next year.

