

Dates For Your Diary

Our Value Word this month is **HAPPINESS**
- Being happy

DATES	YEAR/ CLASS	EVENT
14th October	Year 1 & 2	Flu immunisation
15th October	All	School photographer in
16th October	Year 6	Loudmouth Theatre in school
21st October	All	Eid Mela
23rd October	All	Pupils break up for half-term
2nd November	All	INSET DAY
3rd November	All	Pupils return to school
9 - 13 November	Year 6	Redridge residential trip



School photographer will be in on Thursday 15th October for individual and family photographs during school hours.



Have your say!

Over the next couple of weeks you will see School Leaders on the playground with large pieces of paper. They will be gathering your views. The questions they will ask are:

1. What do you think the school does well?
2. What does the school need to do to improve?

We want to hear your views.

New This Year

Year Group Parent Meetings

We will be holding open meetings for parents to attend and find out about what will be happening in their child's year group over the coming year. You will also get the chance to look at some of the books your child will be reading and to ask any general questions you may have. Further details will follow shortly but for your diaries the dates will be as follows:



Yr1 Tuesday 13th Oct 9-9:30
Yr 2 Wed 7th October 9-9:30
Yr3 Thurs 22nd Oct 9-9:30
Yr 4 Thurs 22nd Oct 2:30-3.00
Yr 5 Wed 14th Oct 2:30-3.00

School Dinners

A quick reminder for Parents with children in KS2, School Dinner Money is £10.50 a week. If you would like to change your child from school meals to sandwiches or sandwiches to school meals, please inform the school office before the start of a new week.

INTRODUCING...



HEAD BOY

Hello my name is Aqib and I am Head Boy. My role is to be a good role model and make your school life the best. I will promise to help you if you're stuck and I believe that this year will be great. Thank you to all the teachers who supported me to become this. Thank you to Mrs Phillips who chose me for this job.

My name is Chelsea and I am Head Girl and I'm happy to have this role, I promise I will make you proud and be the best role model for the children and teachers at Blakesley Hall Primary.

HEAD GIRL

Deputy Head Boy

Hello my name is Coy and I'm your Deputy Head Boy and I thank the teachers at BHPS for having confidence in me. I will not let you down.

Hi there I am Fahmina and I am your Deputy Head Girl for this year. My teachers have encouraged me to try my best at all times but I never expected I would get something as great as this! I thank you teachers for believing I am capable of my role.

Deputy Head Girl



Attendance

Hello and Welcome Back,

Last year we achieved 95% attendance with fewer persistent absentees. Our target this year is 96%.

FREQUENT ABSENCE EQUALS LOST LEARNING

Attendance During one school year:	Equals this number of days absent:	Weeks Absent (Approx)	Missed Lessons
90%	19 Days	4 Weeks	100 Lessons
80%	38 Days	8 Weeks	200 Lessons
70%	57 Days	11.5 Weeks	290 Lessons

Be on time - 5 to 9!

Children should arrive promptly at 08:55 to be **ON TIME**. Please remember to call and leave a message explaining pupil absences.

Nathan Farrell, Attendance Officer / Learning Mentor.

English News

Well done to Jahanzeb in 4R who completed the summer reading challenge organised by Birmingham libraries-what a star!



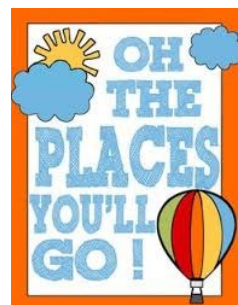
New reading record cards! Help your child to earn Proud points by hearing them read every day and signing their card. Thank you.

MENTORING CORNER
Welcome to the very first post for our Mentoring Corner. Every Newsletter will have a dedicated space for Mentoring. Throughout this year we will have lots of really interesting and exciting projects that will support children's wellbeing. Watch this space to see an update on what we have been up to.

Harvest Week

We will be celebrating Harvest Week on 5th-9th October 2015 and will be collecting tins and packet food. All donations will go to our local food bank again who serve families in our community. Children will celebrate Harvest on 9th October.

Thank you in advance for your generosity



AFA Parents Meeting

The following dates are for your Childs parent—teacher meetings. Please book a time slot with the class teacher.

Date:	Class
Monday 12th October	1T
	4R
	6H
Tuesday 13th October	2S
	4W
	5C
Wednesday 14th October	1A
	3J
	6SM

Date:	Class
Thursday 15th October	2G
	3D
	5A
Monday 19th October	1B
	4O
	6P
Tuesday 20th October	2B
	3O
	5B

Eid Mela

We will be holding our third Eid Mela on **Wednesday 21st October 2015 (3.15 - 4.30pm)**

We hope parents/carers can support us by running a stall or donating Bric-a-Brac. If you are interested please contact the school office and leave a message for Mr Mason.

All children can come to school in non-uniform on the day. We will be asking for a donation of £1 per child or £3 per family. Please send donations to your child's class teacher. All money raised will go to Islamic Relief



School Year 2015 - 2016

Autumn Term 2015

Inset Days: Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th September 2015

School Opens: Monday 7th September 2015

Half Term: Monday 26 October 2015 -

Friday 30 October 2015

Monday 1st November - INSET Day

Tuesday 2nd November - Pupils return to school

Term Ends: Friday 18 December 2015

Spring Term 2016

Term Starts: Monday 4 January 2016

Half Term: Monday 15 February 2016 -

Friday 19 February 2016

Term Ends: Thursday 24 March 2016

Summer Term 2016

Term Starts: Monday 11 April 2016

Half Term: Monday 30 May 2016 -

Friday 3 June 2016

Term Ends: Friday 22 July 2016

Teacher training days may still be added to the term dates shown above.