



**NEWSLETTER**  
Autumn Term 1  
Wednesday 21st October  
2015

# Blakesley Hall Primary School

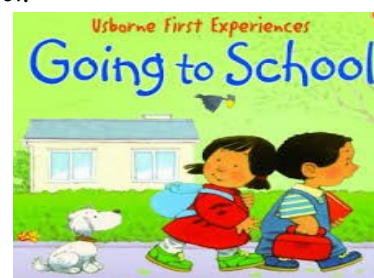
## Dates For Your Diary

Our Value Word this month is **RESPECT** -  
Have regard for the feelings of others.

DATES	YEAR/CLASS	EVENT
22nd October	Year 6	Redridge—meeting for parents 3.30pm or 5.00pm
23rd October	All	School closes for half term
2nd November	All	INSET DAY
3rd November	All	Children return to school
3rd November		Open day for Reception September 2016
9 - 13 November	Year 6	Redridge residential trip
17, 18 & 19 November	Year 2	Visits to Birmingham City Centre
10 December	All	Christmas Fayre (Children only)
18 December	All	School finishes for Christmas Celebrations
4 January	All	INSET DAY
5 January	All	Children return to school

### Reception 2016

If you have a child due to start Reception in September 2016 we would like to invite you to our open day on Tuesday 3rd November 2015 from 9.00am-12.00pm please feel free to come in meet with our staff and have a look around our school.



# Attendance Celebration

Each week the class with the highest attendance in each Key Stage receives a certificate in the Celebration Assembly.

Congratulations to the children in the following classes and their parents:

Week beginning	KS1	KS2
07/09/15	2G – 96%	4O – 99.3%
14/09/15	RD – 97.5%	3J – 99.3%
21/09/15	RR – 84.8%	4O – 83.7%
28/09/15	1T – 96.3%	5B – 98.3%
05/10/15	1B – 97.9%	3O & 4O – 98%

Our aim is to raise whole school attendance to **96%**. We would like to thank you in advance as we work together to achieve this target.

## 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.



There is a vacancy in this area for a Lollipop Crossing Person, if you are interested please contact Asam Majid at Birmingham City Council on Tel: 0121 464 7263

**WANTED!!!!**

Teddy bears and cuddly toys for the teddy tombola stall at the Christmas Fayre. Any donations will be greatly appreciated.



**MENTORING CORNER**

The Mentoring project for Year 6 has got off to flying start. During the Mentoring day on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October, the children were involved in a series of activities that got them setting their personal and academic goals for the year. They have received their own personal mentoring booklets and Parents have been given a handbook too. Thank you to Year 6 parents for your support with this project.



Congratulations to our football team who recently came an impressive second in the knock out stages of the Alan Fowles Cup. You can now follow our team events and progress through Twitter - @BHPS\_1



The Learning Mentors held a 'Traditional Tea' serving cucumber sandwiches, scones and jam, cakes, tea and coffee for the new Reception children's parents in aid of Macmillan Cancer research and £61.44 was raised. Thank you very much for your support and donations.



Poppies will be on sale after half term. Please show your support for our soldiers past and present by making a donation.

**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.*

*Last updated 02/07/2015*



A New Look Library

The English team have been working very hard to move the furniture in the library in order to give it a refreshed look. It now has a more open plan and all the books are clearly visible at all times. Enjoy your new look library!

READING IS FUN!

The library will be open every Wednesday after school (3.15pm-3.45pm) for **all Reception** children to borrow a library book of their choice to share at home.