


## Dates For Your Diary

Our Value Word this month is **Honesty** - Honesty means telling the truth no matter what consequences you may face.

DATES	YEAR/CLASS	EVENT
Thursday 21st July	Whole school	School closes for summer holidays
Friday 22nd July	Whole school	Teacher training day - Children NOT in
Monday 5th September	Whole school	Teacher training day - Children NOT in
Tuesday 6th September	Years 1 to 6	School opens for children
Tuesday 13th September	Whole school	Teacher training day - Children NOT in
Wednesday 14th September	Years 1 to 6	School re-opens for children
Wednesday 14th, Thursday 15th & Friday 16th September	Reception	New Reception Children start part -time <u>this week only</u>
Monday 19th September	Reception	Reception children start full time




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Mrs Ford is sadly leaving us. She has been at BHPS for 16 years.

We wish her a long and happy retirement and all the best for a new journey in life.



😊 Good Luck At Your New Job! ☀️

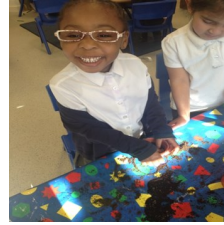


We say a sad goodbye to Mrs Gadsdon, Mr Breeden, Mr Day, Miss Tasnim and Miss Ayre. We wish them all the best for the future.

☀️ Happy Summer!

Hope you all have a wonderful summer holiday. Be safe and have fun.





Children in Reception have had fun visiting Ash End House Farm to learn about the animals. We enjoyed planting seeds and watching them grow. We loved learning about different traditional stories and acting them out in the class role play area. We all loved baking bread and making cookies this year.



## RECEPTION



This year the children in Year 1 have covered the following topics:

Changes within Living Memory

Blakesley Hall Museum

Famous People (Explorers)

World Maps

The Queen and the Commonwealth

The Seaside

## YEAR 1

This year in year 2 we have done lots of exciting things. We have learnt about the 'The Great Fire of London' and we met real fire fighters who showed us the fire engine.

Also the Indian Bazaar was spectacular, we experienced different food, spices and dressed in traditional clothing.

Finally the amazing 'Blakesley beach day' was very successful as we all had lots of fun in the swimming pools, building sand castles, playing games and buying ice cream from the ice cream van.



## YEAR 2



## YEAR 3

Throughout the year children of year 3 have worked extremely hard. They have enjoyed the practical aspects of our curriculum especially our experience days. The Roman topic was the most popular as they had the opportunity to dress up as a Roman and visit Fort Lund where they found out how they lived and survived.



*"In Year 4 we learned how to play instruments and it was really fun! 4R played the tenor horn, 4O played the guitar 4W were learning to play the violin or the cello. It was very difficult at first, but we persevered and finally got there! We also got the chance to travel back in time when we visited Lunt Fort.*

*There, we learned about Romans-they did a lot of clever things (built an enormous fort and created deadly weapons).*

*We have had a great time in Year 4!"*

**Mariam Panhwar 4R.**

## YEAR 4

# Highlights of Our Year



This year, Year 5 have been very busy! They have worked extremely hard to make sure they are ready for the challenges of Year 6 in all of their lessons.

During the year, Year 5 have had fun visiting Coventry to learn all about WW2 at the transport museum, cathedral and art gallery. We got to experience what it was like to be in the blitz, looked at real artefacts, heard a real air raid siren (which was very loud!) and went down into a real air raid shelter!

We have also dressed up to raise money for NSPCC number day and taken part in mentoring sessions run by Keshav. One of our favourite parts of the year was our trip to Liverpool where we visited the RNLI, explored the Albert Docks, and went for dinner at Pizza Express – Yum! It has been a very busy and successful year for Year 5!



## YEAR 5

Year 6 have worked incredibly hard this year. They have shown unbelievable motivation, confidence and perseverance to achieve well in their tests. We have had fun along the way, beginning the year with a wet and windy trip to Red Ridge outdoor education centre in Wales where children learnt the new skills of caving, rock climbing and kayaking to name but a few! We've also had fun during the year with a trip to Coventry to learn all about World War 2, dressing up for World Book Day, Swan Lake ballet dancing with Birmingham Royal Ballet and raising money for NSPCC Number Day. Finally we've ended the year with lots of celebrations, a trip to see 'Gangsta Granny', bowling and lunch at The Harvester in Star City, end of year awards, production and last but not least...a party! We wish our Year 6 all the best for their futures in new schools and hope they keep in touch to let us know how they are getting on.



## YEAR 6



All the Best





# Attendance Celebration

Week Beginning	KS1	KS2
4th July 2016	RA 79.6%	4O 75.8%
27th June 2016	2G 98.7%	5B 99.3%
13th June 2016	2S 97.2%	6H 98.1%
6th June 2016	2S 98.3%	5A 99%



The choir went to Symphony Hall to sing as part of the Birmingham Primary Gala with 500 other primary school children. The Blakesley choir did an amazing job and sang their hearts out to 7 fantastic songs. We are all so proud of them. Well done!

## CHOIR

## School Term Dates 2016/17 2016/17

### Autumn Term 2016

Mon 5 September	INSET Day (no pupils) – staff training (1)
Tue 6 September	School opens for pupils
Tue 13 September	INSET Day (no pupils) – staff training (2)
24 to 28 October	Half Term
Fri 16 December	End of Term - School closes for Christmas

### Spring Term 2017

Tue 3 January	INSET Day (no pupils) – staff training (3)
Wed 4 January	School opens for pupils
20 to 24 February	Half Term
Fri 7 April	End of Term - School closes for Easter

### Summer Term 2017

Mon 24 April	INSET Day (no pupils) – staff training (4)
Tue 25 April	School opens for pupils
Mon 1 May	May Day Bank Holiday
29 May to 2 June	Half Term
Mon 5 June	School opens for pupils
Tue 25 July	End of Term - School closes for Summer

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

## School Council



On Friday 8th July, members of School Council went to Blakesley Hall Museum to do some volunteer gardening as part of a community project. The children worked hard and were rewarded with squash and a biscuit!!!

Well done School Council- doing something good for our local community.



Over this academic year the children of Blakesley Hall have participated in a wide range of sporting events such as Golf, Gymnastics, Tennis, Basketball, Tag Rugby and Football. We have had children from all year groups participate in sporting activities this year.

## WINTER FINALS

Girls and boys took part in indoor Athletics where they won the competition and represented the Central Area of Birmingham in the winter finals. They finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place which was the best a central school has finished.

## CONGRATULATIONS!

CONGRATULATIONS to all the boys as they have worked very hard and have given up their dinner times to train and become better players.

Blakesley Hall Cricket team represented the Central Area of Birmingham and won the GOLD medal to become the BEST cricket team in the whole of Birmingham.

## SPORTS BOY AND GIRL 2016

A special congratulation goes to Adam Ahmed and Pakeezah Bhatti who were voted sports boy and girl of the year.

Adam has represented the school in many sports such as cricket, athletics and dodgeball while Pakeezah has also been involved in athletics and golf.

## SPORT 2016

