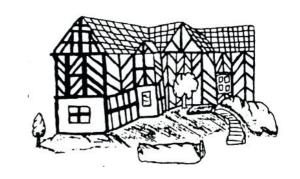
## Blakesley Hall School Newsletter

Spring Term 11/12

Date: Wednesday 18th January 2012

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This month's value word is **Unity** 



DATES	YEAR/CLASS	EVENT	
Thursday 19th January	Year 3	Professor McGinty visiting	
Tuesday 24th January	Year 1 Class	Reading Workshops (9am-10am)	
Wednesday 25th January	Year 1 Class	Reading Workshops (9am-10am)	
Thursday 26th January	Year 1 Class	Reading Workshops (9am-10am)	
Friday 10th February	ALL	School closes at 3.15pm for half term holiday	
Monday 13th February—Friday 17th February		SCHOOL CLOSED FOR HALF TERM	
Monday 20th February	ALL	School re-opens for children (8.55am)	
Thursday 29th March	All	School closes for Easter Holidays for children	
Friday 30th March		STAFF Training Day (closed to children)	
Monday 2nd April-Friday 13th April (2 weeks)		Easter Holidays	
Monday 16th April		STAFF Training Day (closed to children)	
Tuesday 17th April		School re-opens for children (8.55am)	



### Celebrating great behaviour and hard work

### "Going for Gold"

As we outlined in the summer holiday newsletter, we are putting much more focus on celebrating the good behaviour that the vast majority of pupils show in school everyday. All the staff in school including our Lunchtime Team, met together to agree on how we can continue to improve this aspects of our school for the children.

Pupil councils are meeting with Mrs Da-Costa (Assistant Headteacher, Behaviour Manager) this week to agree on what the rewards for great behaviour and excellent work should be and what the sanctions (punishments) for breaking school rules should be.

Head boy Lyyob and Head girl Joy will write about it in next week's newsletter.

Lots more children have had certificates and postcards and letters sent home by way of reward and year 6 parents can expect to receive a text message from their child's class teacher if there is something for them to be proud of. We want to be able to share your child's successes with you so that you can be proud of them too.

If your child has behaved well over the week they will get to wear the Gold Badge on a Friday and will have 30 minutes Golden Time as a reward for working hard. Ask you child about 'Going for Gold' - they should be able to tell you all about it.

# Health and Safety around the school entrance

The barrier is now operational at the entrance to the school drive. Between 2.55pm and 3.30pm the barrier is in the upright position and the gates locked to allow parents and children to walk safely down the drive and avoid congestion on the footpaths.

At 3.30pm the barrier is down again and operates as normal. If you are picking your children up late or from a club please leave the school site via the footpaths - do not walk down the drive as you will be not be able to get passed the barrier. Can we please also ask parents to stop children from walking along the banked area at the side of the drive - this is dangerous as they could slip and fall and if the barrier is operational, they may be hit by it when it moves up an down. Thank you.

#### EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

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Monday	Art Club	After School	
	Girls Football	After School	
Tuesday	Sign Language	After School	
Wednesday	Basketball Year 4	After School	
Thursday	Readers Club	After School	
	Art Club	After School	
	Badminton	After School	



Thank you to all the pupils that have entered Blakesley's Got Talent. The team are now in the process of sorting out times for auditions.



REMINDER— Year 2 for a family fun day that will take place on Friday 20th January at 2pm. We would love to have your family in school to join in with the fun. Please come to reception at 2pm.

### BLAKESLEY SCHOOL BANK



Just a reminder to all KS2 children that the school bank (in conjunction with HSBC) is open on Thursday. If your child needs an application form please contact the bankers on Thursday during lunchtime.

### Healthy Tuck Shop

A range of items are available for the children to purchase at break time:

> Water—30p Cereal Bars—45p Fruit 10p

Please refrain from sending the children to school with large amounts of cash.