

Blakesley Hall School

Newsletter

Summer Term 2 2013/14

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This month's value word is **Honesty** - Honesty is speaking the truth.



Dates for your Diary

DATES	YEAR/CLASS	EVENT
14th July	All	Reports out to Parents
14th - 15th July	Year 4	Residential Trip
15th July	Year 6	Performance to Parents
17th July	Whole School	Open Afternoon 'meet new teacher' from 2pm
17th July	All	Governors' award assembly
17th July	All	100% Attendance Party
18th July	All	School Closes for all pupils at 3.15pm
Wednesday 3rd September	Whole School	Start of Term — School opens for pupils

Celebrating Blakesley's Memories Over The Past Year

Already, we have come to the end of another fantastic and eventful year. 2013/14 has been exceptional and Blakesley pupils really have had a busy year showing great enthusiasm in lots of different projects that we would like to share some of our highlights.



WEBSITE NEWS—You can follow us on twitter @BHPS_1



Reception

“Our special memories include...”

- ◆ Visit to Ash End Farm
- ◆ When the Fire Engine and Fire Fighters came into school
- ◆ Chicken Licken Theatre production in school
- ◆ 3D Shape week

Receptions charity is Birmingham Children's Hospital and they have raised £123.33.

Year 1

“Over the year we have really enjoyed....”

- ◆ Having the baby chicks in our class
- ◆ Trip to Blakesley Hall Museum
- ◆ Theatre visit to see The Snowman
- ◆ Learning about 'being healthy'
- ◆ Watching Aladdin Theatre production in School

Year one's charity is Guide Dogs for the Blind and they have raised £76.37.



Year 2

“ We have all loved.....”

- ◆ Visit to Birmingham City Centre
- ◆ Building models of the City Centre
- ◆ Visit to Kenilworth Castle
- ◆ Visit from the Animal Man
- ◆ Indian Bazaar
- ◆ Joining Year 1 at the Seaside
- ◆ The Great fire of London

Year two's charity is VIP treatment (Children's Cancer Treatment) and they have raised £400.00.

Year 3

“Some of our best moments.....”

- ◆ Professor McGinty - Tudor visit
- ◆ Roman day
- ◆ Christmas party
- ◆ Sports day
- ◆ Tudor artefacts
- ◆ Chinese day & Chinese dancing
- ◆ Science day
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Year three's charity is Help Harry Help Others and they have raised over £2000.00.

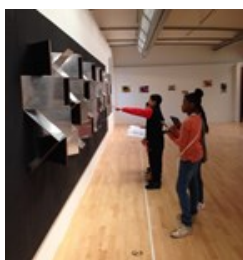


Year 4

“So many to choose from.....”

- ◆ Residential trip
- ◆ Music assembly and music lessons
- ◆ Sports Day
- ◆ Young Rangers (Forest School)
- ◆ Visit to Eco Park
- ◆ Numeracy Workshops
- ◆ Professor McGinty
- ◆ Learning how to play the tenor horn, violin, cello and guitar

Year four's charity is ACORN. They are still fundraising.



Year 5

“Outstanding highlights this year are....”

- ◆ Professor McGinty
- ◆ Coventry Cathedral
- ◆ RAF Cosford
- ◆ Liverpool Residential
- ◆ Space Dome
- ◆ Maths workshop
- ◆ Science day
- ◆ Art week

Year five's charity is RNLI. They are still fundraising.

Year 6

We have had an amazing final Year at Blakesley Hall in Year 6!

Over the year we have...

- ◆ Visited RAF Cosford
- ◆ Visited Coventry Cathedral
- ◆ Been Evacuated
- ◆ Had a WW2 street party with a visit from the Lord Mayor
- ◆ Seen Professor McGinty
- ◆ Been on a residential to Stansfeld
- ◆ Outdoor learning at the Eco-Park

Year six's charity is Help the Heroes and they have raised approximately £50 and are still raising.



Blakesley Hall School Choir

On Wednesday 25th June, the first Blakesley Hall Choir concert took place in school. Parents, teachers, governors and members of the local community attended and were treated to a selection of 8 songs which the pupils had practised to perfection. Some of the pupils were very brave and sang solo, or with just a couple of other children, and the whole choir moved the audience to tears with their beautiful harmonies. Next week (Wednesday 16th July) the choir will be performing alongside other schools on a world class stage at the Symphony Hall.

The whole school should be very proud of their achievements this year and watch this space for more events coming next year!



EID MUBARAK
to all our families

DINNER MONEY

Reminder for all Parents. Dinner money is £10.25 a week. Please put it in an envelope with your child's name, class and amount on it and hand it in the first day off each week.

From September all children in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 will have a free school dinner.

ATTENDANCE

I would like to say a huge thank you to all parents who have supported the school this year in our efforts to improve attendance and am very pleased to tell you that we have been very successful. Overall attendance for the year is close to the 95% target and the number of children who miss school regularly has been more than halved. We have also reduced the number of lateness by about 10%.

Next year, with your support, we will look to improve this further as we know that improved attendance leads to better learning.

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- Mr Mason

LOST PROPERTY

Please check the Lost Property box for any lost items throughout the year. Any items left and not collected will be recycled.

Thanks

I wish all the families & friends of Blakesley Hall Primary a happy and safe summer holiday.

-Mrs Phillips



f!tsteps Harry

Please take any unwanted shoes along to your nearest shoe bin.

For every pair of shoes given, we will receive 35p!

The shoes will then be sent to deprived areas in West Africa as affordable footwear!

Join in and order a bin for your school or office?

To order your bin, call: 0200 009 6555

Check our website to find out how many shoes have been donated so far.

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"SUPPORT HARRY, SUPPORT AFRICA... AND CUT DOWN POLLUTION THROUGH RECYCLING!"

Maxine Saulf, BRC Global

Term Dates 2014/2015

INSET (SCHOOL CLOSED):	Monday 1 st September 2014
SCHOOL OPEN:	TUESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER – FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2014
Half term:	Monday 27 th October – Friday 31 st October 2013
INSET (SCHOOL CLOSED):	Monday 3 rd November 2014
SCHOOL OPEN:	TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2014 – FRI 19TH DECEMBER 2014
Christmas Holiday:	Monday 22 nd December – Fri 2 nd January 2014
INSET (SCHOOL CLOSED):	Monday 5 th January 2015
SCHOOL OPEN:	TUESDAY 6TH JANUARY – FRIDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2015
Half term:	Monday 17 th February – Friday 20 th February 2015
SCHOOL OPEN:	MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY – FRIDAY 27TH MARCH 2015
Spring Holiday:	Monday 30 th March – Friday 10 th April 2015
SCHOOL OPEN:	MONDAY 13TH APRIL – FRIDAY 22ND MAY 2015
Half term:	Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May 2015
SCHOOL OPEN:	MONDAY 1ST JUNE – MONDAY 20TH JULY 2015