



Newsletter

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Message from Mr Dagnall

A great final week of the half term at Bleak Hill has left me proud of everything our children, staff and families have achieved together.

Our two Year 6 football teams concluded their Autumn fixtures this week. They represented the school excellently, and I am proud of the way they conducted themselves on the pitch. There will be further fixtures in the Spring term.

Our prefects and house captains have carried out playground leader training this week. This training will prepare them to support our Reception and KS1 children after half term. I would like to thank them for taking on this responsibility and for their commitment to the role.

We are also grateful to the Friends of Bleak Hill, who ran our film night. Thank you to Friends for their hard work in organising the event, and to parents and carers for supporting us. Your involvement makes a meaningful difference to our school community, and it is greatly appreciated. We are currently raising money towards improving our EYFS outdoor area. I look forward to sharing images with you soon.

I hope that you have a restful and enjoyable break. We look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 3rd November.

Merit Award - Children who include others

	Oracy Champion	R.O.T.W.	W.O.T.W.	M.O.T.W.	Bronze	Silver	Gold
R Hu	Margot M	Safari M	Julian A	Eric W	Eiliana M-S	Reece W	Pippa B
R Ma	Rosemary H	Rory C	Sonny G	Benedict B-K	Ava T	Alby W	James B
R Mo	Mason L	Arthur P	Isabella G	Ronnie S	Annalise H	Ethan D	Ezra B
1 CS	Isla H	Jack C	Oscar B	Alby M	Sienna C	Rory B	Darcie B
1 Ma	Freddie M	Hariett G	Alex S	Bob D	Toby B	Poppy W-P	Freyja G
1 Me	Lottie H	Max C	Leo J	Otis B	George W	Rory F	Bella K
2 A	Alexander H	Tilly G	Ollie M	Oakley J	Finley C	Rosie P	Amelia M
2 JM	Evie D	Elliot A	Dexter H	Jaime D	Elijah C	Seb F	Layah B
2 KM	Iris H	Alistair C	Eesah W	Poppy W	Lucas C	Toby H	Everyn N-J
3 Ha	Luca D	Michael G	Una W	Emilia M J	Henry P	Willow J	Sophie D
3 He	Barney F	Rhys S	Edward C	Autumn P	Aurelia L	Ella D	Harvey B
3 W	Zak P	Nancy M-S	Nia A	George M	Sofia D	Myles B	Imogen C
4 F	Sophie M	Luke C	Roman G	Roman T	Ethan H	Lottie A	Finley M
4 MR	Sadie C	Caleb W	Jude M	Hannah C	Ilaria O'N	Ollie A	Isla M
4 W	Alex W	Kimberly R	Albie P-S	Alfie U	Matthew O	Hadassah B	Carter K
5 B	Oliver H	Darcey L	Daniel B	Laura B	Aria B	Billy N	George M
5 D	Seren A	Pippa I	Penny T	Sid S	Harry J	Luke R	Connie C
5 S	Evan W	Alex D	Theo G	Ella W	Hallie W	Joe T	Isla W
6 B	Harriet D	Ryan S	Harry Z	Lucy R	Harssanth P	Maddie H	Jude M
6 M	Harvey T-H	Harriet N-C	Gerard C	Jude H	Charlotte L	Harper E	Nell C
6 W	Robyn L	Elijah C	Ava B	Jaxon C	Spencer D	Amber C	Joel D

What's on w/c 02.11.2026

W/C 26.10.2026 Half Term

02.11.2026	Before School	During School	After School
Monday		INSET DAY	
Tuesday	Tennis Y3 Y4 Y5 & Y6 - Mr Brien (external provider) 1 of 4 Enter via Junior Library corridor (KS2 playground) at 8.00am	Y1 Y2 & Y3 PE	Woodland Club Y4 - Miss Webster & Mrs Murphy 1 of 4 Exit via main reception at 4.25pm Write it Right Y6 - Miss Williams 1 of 4 Exit via main reception at 4.25pm Young Voices Y5 & Y6 - Mrs Williams & Miss Heyes 1 of 4 Exit via main reception at 4.30pm
Wednesday	Football Skills Y1 & Y2 - Future Gym (external provider) 1 of 4 Enter via Junior Library corridor (KS2 playground) at 8.00am	Y1 & Y5 PE	Gymnastics Y3 Y4 Y5 & Y6 - Future Gym (External Provider) 1 of 4 Exit via main reception at 4.20pm
Thursday	Football Y3 Y4 Y5 & Y6 - Future Gym (external provider) 1 of 4 Enter via Junior Library corridor (KS2 playground) at 8.00am	YR, Y2, Y3 & Y5 PE Y6 Trip to Stockport Air Raid Shelters 6B & 6W	Gymnastics Y1 & Y2 - Future Gym (External Provider) 1 of 4 Exit via main reception at 4.15pm Craft Club Y3 - Miss Tickle & Miss Simpson 1 of 4 Exit via main reception at 4.20pm
Friday	Athletics Y1 & Y2 - Future Gym (external provider) 1 of 4 Enter via Junior Library corridor (KS2 playground) at 8.00am	YR, Y4 & Y6 PE Y6 Trip to Stockport Air Raid Shelters 6M	

KEY DATES AUTUMN B TERM 2026

WEEK	DATES	DAY	ACTIVITY
1	02.11-06.11	MONDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	INSET DAY Y6 Trip to Stockport Air Raid Shelters 6B & 6W Y6 Trip to Stockport Air Raid Shelters 6M
2	09.11-13.11	TUESDAY WEDNESDAY FRIDAY	Y4&Y6 Hindu Workshop/Family Hub Coffee Afternoon/New Intake 2027 Open Evening Remembrance Day / Y1 Trip to the Blue Planet Children in Need Own Clothes Day
3	16.11-20.11	MONDAY TUESDAY THURSDAY	Anti-Bullying Day—Wear Odd Socks Y5 Trip to Jodrell Bank YR Wonderdome Experience in School
4	23.11-27.11	THURSDAY	Altru Anti-Bullying Performance
5	30.11-04.12	TUESDAY THURSDAY	Tree Lighting FOBH Christmas Bingo
6	07.12-11.12	MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY FRIDAY	Rock Steady Concert Monday Group FOBH Tea with Santa / Christmas Extravaganza Christmas Dinner / Christmas Jumpers / Santa Dash / FOBH Breakfast on the Go Altru Pantomime
7	14.12-18.12	TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	Y2 Nativities Rock Steady Concert Wednesday Group Christmas Parties / FOBH Christmas Raffle Break Up For Christmas at 1.30pm—No ASC Club Available —Return Monday 04.01.27

A detailed plan of events for Christmas will be published on return from Half Term.

Helping to Keep Everyone Safe and Well

At Bleak Hill, we have children who have medical conditions that mean their immune systems are weakened, making them more vulnerable to infections. We kindly ask all families to help us protect these children by keeping your child at home if they are unwell or showing symptoms of an infectious illness. Please also encourage regular handwashing and good hygiene practices at home.

We understand that illnesses are a normal part of childhood, and we really appreciate your support, understanding and consideration in helping us maintain a safe and healthy environment for all our children.



Pumpkin Carving Competition!

Get ready for some *spooktacular* fun at Bleak Hill Primary School!

We are inviting all our children to get creative and take part in our **Pumpkin Carving Competition!** Whether your pumpkin is spooky, silly, smiley or completely unique, we can't wait to see your amazing creations!

Please bring your decorated or carved pumpkin into school on Tuesday 3rd November.

Make sure your pumpkin is clearly labelled with your **name and class**.

All pumpkins will be judged on the day, and children will be able to take their creations back home that same day.

We can't wait to see the children's creativity shine. Happy carving!



Free Breakfasts at Morrisons

Breakfast Clubs are back to help kids and grown-ups enjoy a free Kellogg's breakfast during October half term at all Morrisons Cafes nationwide.

Families visiting their local Morrisons Cafe throughout October half term holidays can enjoy a free breakfast which includes a bowl of cereal and a portion of fruit. The best part, it's not just for kids, adults get to eat completely free too!

Both kids and adults can choose from much loved Cornflakes or Rice Krispies, topped with their choice of dairy or non dairy milk and a free apple or banana. The October holiday offer is available up to 1st November across all Morrisons cafes nationwide.

Research highlighted that alongside the financial strain, parents are also dealing with the repetitive demands of children at home during the holidays. Parents reported hearing the following phrases every day of the school holidays (between at least 1-5 times a day) – driving up the pressure to entertain, as well as keeping them fed:

- "Can I have a snack?" - 44%
- "What are we doing today?" - 43%
- "I'm hungry" - 40%
- "Can I play on my iPad / phone / console?" - 36%
- "I'm bored" - 31%
- "Are we there yet?" - 28%
- "Can I have a playdate?" - 22%

By reopening the 'Breakfast Clubs' across the school October holidays, when term-time clubs do not run, Morrisons and Kellogg's are providing families with a welcoming space to enjoy a balanced breakfast together, helping to ease financial strain and rumbling tummies, while a trip to the local supermarket will help keep kids entertained.