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THE BLACKMOOR BULLETIN

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'Keeping Parents Informed and Involved'

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ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK: 94.83 % ●

Nursery:	91.8 %	●
Willow (RR):	90.5 %	●
Sycamore (RM):	99.4 %	●
Elm (RT):	91.4 %	●
Olive (1H):	99.1 %	●
Cherry (1B):	96.0 %	●
Maple (1BC):	94.6 %	●
Oak (2F):	92.8 %	●
Hazel (2Wa):	95.7 %	●
Rowan (2W):	95.0 %	●

- 96% +
- 93% - 95.9%
- 90.1% - 92.9%
- 90% and below



Good attendance is essential for your child's learning, confidence, and friendships. Please ensure children arrive on time each day.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another lively and engaging week here at Blackmoor Park Infants.

On Monday, we celebrated National Fitness Day, and it was wonderful to see children and staff taking part in a wide range of activities designed to promote physical health and wellbeing. From our wellbeing assembly to whole-school challenges, the enthusiasm was evident throughout the day. It was as a great reminder of the importance of keeping active and enjoying it in the process.

This afternoon, we are excited to welcome families and friends into school for our Macmillan Coffee Afternoon. In advance, a heartfelt thank you to everyone who has donated, and thanks to your generosity, fingers crossed we are able to raise considerable funds for Macmillan Cancer Support.

If, following the cake sale, we have a number of cakes left we will continue to sell them at the end of the school day at the front of school. Please note the number of events coming up during this term, a handy print out is available at the end of this newsletter.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and encouragement.

Here is hoping for a continued spell of dry weather this weekend.

Best wishes,

Mr E Naylor
Headteacher

FITNESS

National Fitness Day

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On Monday, we joined in with National Fitness Day, a brilliant opportunity to get moving and think about how being active helps to keep both our bodies and minds healthy.

The children began the day with a special wellbeing assembly, where we explored the importance of physical activity and how it can help us to feel happier, calmer, and more ready to learn. Later on, children took part in a variety of fun physical activities out on the yard, led by members of staff. There was plenty of energy, teamwork, and lots of smiles all round!

A big thank you to Mr Clarke for organising such an enjoyable and meaningful day for everyone. Photographs and videos are available for viewing on Class Dojo. A small selection have been added at the end of this newsletter.



Reflections of the Week

Day Nursery:

Last Friday, we celebrated Talk Like a Pirate Day! The children had a wonderful time dressing up and speaking like pirates. They took turns walking the plank, hoping to escape the sharks and sea creatures below.

Throughout the week, the children have also enjoyed a range of pirate-themed activities to support learning and development - helping to strengthen gross and fine motor skills, as well as building on maths and literacy.



"When we come to school we play with our friends every day - I love them."

Reese (Reception)



Nursery:

This week in Nursery we have been learning all about Autumn. The children have been using their senses to explore the sights, sounds, smells and textures of this season. From crunchy leaves to autumn colours, we have been enjoying discovering the changes happening all around us.

"School is a place where we learn, laugh and grow together."



Reception:

The children enjoyed sequencing pictures from baby to elderly, which sparked some thoughtful conversations.

George shared, "When I was a baby I did not know how to walk," showing his growing understanding of how our abilities develop over time.

It has been lovely to see the children reflecting on their own growth and making connections with the world around them.



"I like being in school because I get to play with my friends I had in Nursery and new people too."

Tommy (Reception)



"In our school, everyone belongs and every smile matters."

Year 1:

This week in Year 1, the children have been learning to identify different parts of animals. They were especially excited to use magnifying glasses to examine the features of a fish. The children confidently used vocabulary such as fin, scales, gills, and tail.

Year 2:

In Year 2, the children have been learning how to compare two-digit numbers. Using digit cards, they have been creating different numbers and practising how to say which number is 'greater than' or 'less than' another.

This activity helped them understand number value and build their confidence in maths. It has been great to see them apply these new skills independently!



Headteacher's Recommendation



This week, I'm excited to share a heartwarming and reflective picture book: **Hello Autumn** by Jo Lindley.

Following the spirit of celebrating the seasons, Hello Autumn invites us to slow down and appreciate the beauty of the changing world around us. The story gently follows a young character who discovers the magic in autumn's colours, sounds, and smells—reminding us all to notice the small, wonderful moments that autumn brings.

Just as Hello Autumn encourages children to embrace nature's transitions and find joy in the present, it also inspires mindfulness and gratitude. Through its colourful illustrations and narrative, the story highlights the wonder of the world right outside our doorsteps.

This story is a wonderful complement to our recent conversations about self-awareness and embracing change, making it especially fitting as we settle into the rhythms of a new school year.

I highly recommend sharing Hello Autumn at home to continue exploring the beauty of the season - and to help children see that every moment, just like every leaf, is special in its own way.



We Are Recruiting – Early Years Practitioners



We are currently looking for Early Years Practitioners to join our Day Nursery team. This is a great opportunity to be part of a caring and supportive environment, helping to give our youngest children the best start in their learning journey.

Further information about the role can be found on the Department for Education website by clicking the link provided. If you would like to know more, please speak to Mr Naylor.



Jack and the Beanstalk Visit

We are thrilled to let you know that Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 will be going to see Jack and the Beanstalk on Monday 8th December as part of our festive celebrations!

Full details of the visit are available on Class Dojo and the Arbor Parent App. Please check both platforms carefully for information about timings and travel arrangements.

To secure your child's place, please log in to the Arbor Parent App to give consent and make the payment of £15.00 per child.



Attendance at Blackmoor



Why is Attendance so Important?

- **Educational Progress:** Every day at school contributes to a child's learning journey. Missing even a small number of days can result in gaps in understanding, which may be difficult to fill, especially in subjects where knowledge builds upon previous lessons.
- **Social and Emotional Development:** School is not just about academics - it is also where children develop vital social skills, build friendships, and create lasting memories. Regular attendance helps children feel connected and engaged with their school family.
- **Safeguarding:** Regular attendance is also a key part of our safeguarding procedures. If a child is absent frequently, we may need to investigate to ensure there are no underlying concerns. The safety and wellbeing of all our children is always our number one priority.

Working Together to Support Attendance:

We are here to support every family in ensuring that children attend school regularly. If you are facing difficulties that might be affecting your child's attendance, please feel free to speak with your child's class teacher or Miss Franklin our Family Support Worker. We will always do our best to assist and find a solution that works for everyone.



Parent's Meetings



We are looking forward to welcoming families to our Parents' Evening on **Tuesday 21st October 2025**. This is a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress, celebrate achievements, and discuss their next steps.

Letters will be sent home on Monday with details of how to book your appointment. Please complete and return the slip promptly, noting your preferred time at the bottom. We will do our very best to accommodate your request as closely as possible.

Mrs Parker, our school SENDCo, will also be available for you to speak with. As many parents may wish to see her, we kindly ask that you are mindful of the time. If you are unable to meet with her on the evening, please do not worry — alternative arrangements can be made.

Thank you for your support – we look forward to seeing you there.



School Shoe Reminder



A polite reminder that school shoes should be worn to school, rather than trainers. Wearing the correct footwear is an important part of our school uniform policy, and we appreciate your support in ensuring all children adhere to this. Thank you for your cooperation.



Open Evening - October 2025



Blackmoor Park Infant School and Kindergarten
RECEPTION 2026
Are you looking for a school for September 2026? If so, why not come and visit Blackmoor Infant School and Kindergarten? We would love to meet you.

Contact Us

School Office: **0151 228 8576**
Online: (X) **@BPInfant**

Part of The Three Saints Academy Trust

We are pleased to invite prospective families to our Open Day on Monday 13th October 2025. This is a fantastic opportunity to visit the school, meet our staff, and see our learning environment first-hand.

The event is aimed particularly at families considering a place in Reception for September 2026, though we do currently have limited spaces available in other year groups as well.

If you know anyone who is thinking about applying for a school, we warmly encourage you to come along, ask questions, and get a real feel for life at our school.

Awards at Blackmoor Park

Writer of the Week:

We value the importance of English through various initiatives, including the weekly **'Writer of the Week'** award. This award recognises children who demonstrate exceptional writing skills, creativity, and a positive attitude towards developing their English.



Maths Champion:

We highlight the importance of mathematics through various initiatives, including the weekly **'Maths Champion'** award. This award recognises children who demonstrate outstanding mathematical skills, enthusiasm, and a positive attitude towards learning maths.



Rooted in Respect:

We promote positive behaviour and school values through the weekly **'Rooted in Respect'** award. This award recognises children who consistently demonstrate an awareness of the school rules - Ready, Respectful, and Safe.



Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher

It is always a pleasure to sit down with the children to hear about what they have been up to this week, and celebrate their achievements. Well done to the following children.

RT - Elm: - Vedansh Ponnala
RM - Sycamore: - Bobby Graney
RR - Willow: - Ruby Tobin

1B - Cherry: - Reiya Wilkinson
1BC - Maple: - Arthur Hughes
1H - Olive: - Orla Fitzsimmons

2F - Oak: - Isla-Mai McDavid
2Wa - Hazel: - Annabelle Sobande
2W - Rowan: - Isaac Domagala

Keep up the fantastic work everyone - I am already looking forward to next week's group!



Key Events - Autumn Term 2025



On **Monday 6th October**, we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival in school. This is a time for us to come together in thankfulness and to reflect on the importance of sharing with others. As part of our celebrations, we are asking for donations to support St Luke's and St Jude's Food Pantry, which provides essential food and supplies to families in our local community.

On **Friday 24th October 2025**, we will take part in Wear Pink Day to show solidarity, raise awareness, and collect donations for cancer research - a cause especially close to us as one of our valued members of staff is currently undergoing treatment and is away from school. Children and staff will wear pink and make donations, with all proceeds going to pioneering research that offers hope and life-changing treatments to people across the country.



On **Tuesday 11th November 2025**, our school will observe 'Wear Red for Remembrance' in honour of Remembrance Day, encouraging children to make a donation for a poppy and wear it with pride. This important tradition allows us to reflect on, and pay our respects to, those who have served and sacrificed in conflicts past and present. Children will be invited to wear red clothing alongside their poppies as a visible symbol of remembrance.

Key Events - Autumn Term 2025

On **Friday 15th November 2025**, we will take part in 'Wear Spots Day' to support BBC Children in Need, encouraging children to come to school dressed in spotty clothing and to make a small donation. This fun and colourful tradition helps raise vital funds for projects that support children and young people across the UK, particularly those facing illness, poverty, or other challenges.



Arbor Pay / Parent Pay



We are delighted to share that the school is now using Arbor Parent Pay, a new system designed to make payments for trips and school services simpler and more convenient for families.

The first event set up through Arbor Parent Pay is the Autumn visit to the Pantomime, which will be managed and paid for via this platform. If you are experiencing any difficulties accessing Arbor Parent Pay, please speak to the school office, where members of staff will be happy to assist you.

As we begin to roll out this platform, you will notice further features appearing on your Arbor app. For example, in the near future, you will be able to book and make payments for Breakfast Club and After School Club directly through the system.

Please note that you will be unable to book onto these services if there is an outstanding balance on your account. We therefore kindly encourage families to ensure balances are kept up to date.

We hope you will find Arbor Parent Pay a helpful and efficient way to manage school payments.

Halloween Holiday Club



We are delighted to let you know that our Holiday Club will be running from Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October, 8:00am – 3:30pm each day.

Holiday Club is open to all children and costs £24 per day. The week will be filled with exciting activities, games, and plenty of fun for everyone.

To finish off the week, we'll be celebrating Halloween with a spooky party! Children are encouraged to come along in their spookiest clothes to join in the fun.

All sessions must be paid for in advance, and places will only be confirmed once payment has been received. To secure your place, please click on the following link:

<https://www.bpinfant.com/octoberholidays>

We hope to see lots of children joining us for a fantastic week!

Harvest Festival

We are pleased to let you know that our preparations for this year's Harvest Festival have now begun. This is a special time in the school calendar when we encourage the children to reflect on the importance of thankfulness, community, and helping others.

On Monday 6th October, we will be holding a special Harvest Assembly in school to mark the occasion. During the assembly, we will explore why harvest is significant, and recognise the kind donations brought in by our families.

We would be grateful for any donations of non-perishable food items, which will be shared with our local food bank supporting families in need.



Halloween Disco – Year 1 and Year 2



Our PTA is excited to host a spooktacular Halloween Disco for children in Year 1 and Year 2 on Thursday 23rd October 2025. The event promises an evening full of fun, dancing, and plenty of treats!

Tickets: £5 per child – this includes entry, drinks, and tasty Halloween goodies. Every ticket sold helps our wonderful PTA continue raising substantial funds to support our school.

Year 1 - 4:10pm - 5:00pm

Year 2 - 5:10pm - 6:00pm

Fancy dress is optional.

If your child chooses to wear a costume, please make sure it is age-appropriate and friendly, so that all children can enjoy the fun without feeling frightened or uncomfortable.



Sponsored Skeleton Fun Run



All Nursery and Reception children are invited to take part in our Sponsored Skeleton Fun Run during the school day on Wednesday 22nd October 2025.

Children should wear all black clothes - no costume needed - and will take part in a fun run around the playground.

Sponsor forms will be sent home soon. Please support your child in raising funds for school resources and return forms by Friday 24th October.

For more information, please click on Class Dojo.



Curriculum Spotlight: PE - National Fitness Day



Master basic movements: running, jumping, throwing, catching.

- National Curriculum



Participate in team games, developing simple tactics for attacking and defending.

- National Curriculum



Move energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing.

- EYFS





Safeguarding Spotlight: Everyday Safeguarding – What Parents Can Do

What Does “Everyday Safeguarding” Mean?

It means being aware of small, everyday actions that help keep all children safe, emotionally and physically — both in and out of school. These aren’t always dramatic – they are the quiet, caring routines that help children feel secure and protected.

How You Can Help – Practical Actions for Parents:

Safe Drop-Off and Collection

- Always inform the school if someone new is picking up your child.
- Use any official password systems the school has in place.
- Be punctual – children feel safer when routines are consistent.

Parent Tip: If your usual plans change, call the office — never rely on telling your child to pass on the message.

Talk to Your Child About Their Day

- Ask open-ended questions like:
 - “What was something fun that happened today?”
 - “Did anything make you feel upset or confused?”
- Encourage them to name the adults they trust at school.

Parent Tip: Make these chats part of your bedtime or dinnertime routine.



Consents and Permissions



At Blackmoor Park Infant School and Kindergarten, we take privacy and permissions very seriously. To ensure that we respect each child’s and family’s preferences, we require explicit consent before sharing any children’s photos or information on our Class Dojo feed or social media channels.

Until we have received your consent, your child will not appear on our Class Dojo feed. If you would like your child to be featured on our social media platforms, please make sure to provide consent at your earliest convenience.



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That is all for this week! Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to another exciting week ahead. Enjoy your weekend!

Best wishes,

Team Blackmoor

Learning and Achieving Together



Dates to Remember - Autumn Term 25

Friday 26th September 2025	Macmillan Coffee Morning
Tuesday 21st October 2025	Parents Evening (Afternoon 1:30pm – 6pm)
Friday 24th October 2025	Wear it Pink – Breast Cancer Awareness Day
Friday 24th October 2025	School Closes for Half Term
Monday 3rd November 2025	School Opens to Children
Tuesday 11th November 2025	Wear Red for Remembrance Day
Friday 15th November 2025	Wear Spots for Children in Need
Friday 21st November 2025	INSET Day – School Closed
Monday 8th December 2025	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Panto Visit
Tuesday 9th December 2025	Year 2 Nativity – Hazel Class
Wednesday 10th December 2025	Year 2 Nativity – Rowan Class
Thursday 11th December 2025	Year 2 Nativity – Oak Class
Friday 12th December 2025	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 12th December 2025	PTA Christmas Event Night
Monday 15th December 2025	Reception and Year 1 Nativity
Tuesday 16th December 2025	Reception and Year 1 Nativity
Wednesday 17th December 2025	Reception and Year 1 Nativity
Wednesday 17th December 2025	Nursery Carols
Thursday 18th December 2025	Christmas Party Day
Friday 19th December 2025	PTA Santa Dash
Friday 19th December 2025	School Closes for Christmas

