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THE BLACKMOOR BULLETIN

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'Keeping Parents Informed and Involved'

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ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK: 97.65% ●

Nursery:	94.7 %	●
Willow (RR):	98.9 %	●
Sycamore (RM):	100 %	●
Elm (RT):	95.9 %	●
Olive (1H):	98.3 %	●
Cherry (1B):	100 %	●
Maple (1BC):	97.1 %	●
Oak (2F):	97.7 %	●
Hazel (2Wa):	96.3 %	●
Rowan (2W):	96.1 %	●

- 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,

It has been wonderful to complete our first full week back at school. The children have returned with such enthusiasm and positivity, and it has been lovely to see so many happy, smiling faces around the school building.

We are all getting used to the new locations and names of our classes, which has been a bit of a change for everyone – staff included! That said, the children are adapting brilliantly. They are showing real independence and a fantastic attitude as they settle into their new routines.

I am also pleased to let you know that our teacher-led after-school clubs will begin on Monday 15th September 2025. Clubs will run for five weeks, at a cost of £15 per child for the half term (5 weeks x £3 per club). A timetable of the clubs on offer, along with details of how to sign up and make payment, is now available of Class Dojo.

We have a number of events planned for this half-term. Please continue to check Class Dojo and the dates at the end of this letter.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We are very much looking forward to the exciting weeks ahead.

Warm wishes,

Mr E Naylor
Headteacher



First Aid Week



This week is First Aid Week, and we have taken the opportunity to help children develop a better understanding of how they can keep themselves and others safe. We began with a whole-school assembly on Monday, where we introduced the concept of first aid, explored why it is so important, and looked at the difference it can make in an emergency.

The assembly emphasised how first aid can save lives and highlighted the importance of knowing what to do – even in the simplest of ways – to support someone in need. The children also learned how understanding first aid can help them feel more confident in managing their own safety and wellbeing.

To share more information with your child at home, please click on the link we used during our assembly: <https://youtu.be/OJHNvpQ9JW8?si=Vvl-Elh2H2OzBcdi>



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.



Reflections of the Week

Day Nursery:

We have welcomed some lovely new children to the day nursery recently and are supporting a number of our babies as they transition into the toddler room.

Both settling in and moving up are important steps, and our staff are working closely with families to ensure each child feels secure and supported as they adjust to new routines, spaces, and relationships.

"This week I have been doing quite a lot of stuff. We have been learning lots of things. We have been writing numbers to 20."

Hudson (Year 1)



Nursery:

Our Nursery children are settling in well, making new friends, and exploring our indoor and outdoor spaces.

They are engaging in a range of activities that support their curiosity, independence, and social skills, from creative play to exploring the environment around them.

"New routines help us build strong habits and discover what we are truly capable of."



Reception:

Our Reception children have been settling wonderfully into school life! Over the past few weeks, they have been getting to know their new classroom and exploring all the different areas and activities available.

It has been wonderful to see them making new friends, developing their confidence, and enjoying learning through play. The children are quickly adapting to daily routines and are already showing curiosity and excitement as they discover and engage with their environment.



"We have been learning about Queen Victoria in history. In PSHE we have been learning all about feelings and we talked about how it is ok to feel different emotions."

Ivy (Year 2)



Year 1:

This week, Year 1 have been learning all about the weather and how it changes throughout the year. The children have enjoyed comparing different weather types and talking about how these affect our daily routines.

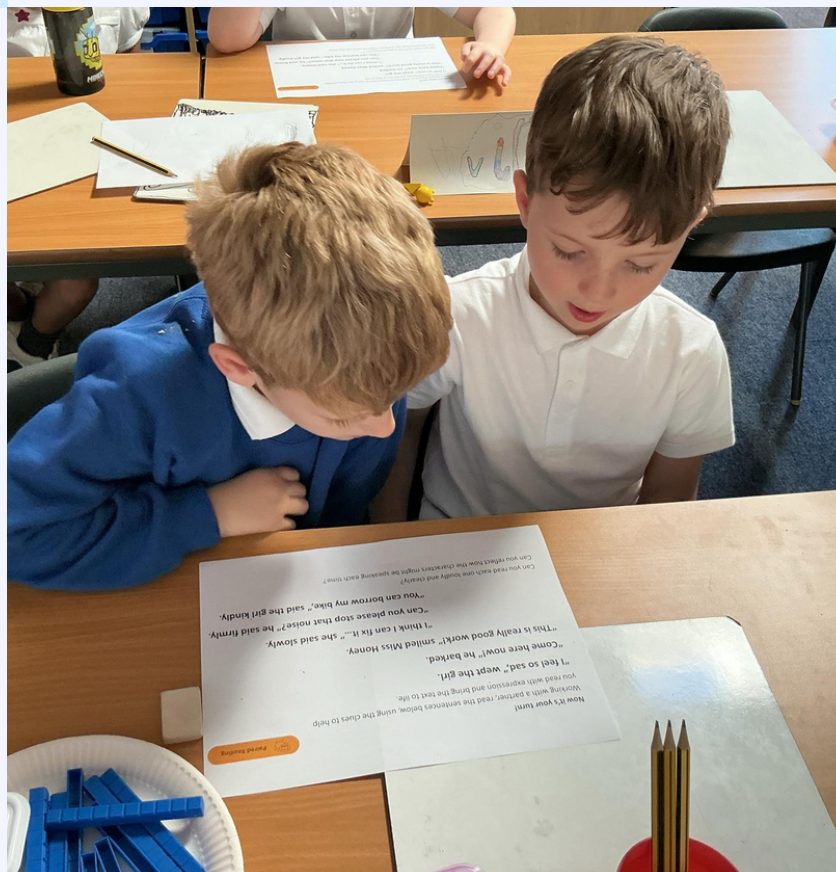
They have also been exploring the seasons, identifying key changes and sharing their own experiences of spring, summer, autumn and winter. It has been a lovely week of thoughtful discussion and scientific discovery!

"This year, we will try our very best, be kind, and help each other shine!"

Year 2:

This week, Year 2 have shown great focus during guided reading, working hard to develop their inference skills and explain their ideas using evidence from the text. It has been lovely to see their growing confidence and enthusiasm when discussing what they have read.

A polite reminder to parents, please continue to read at home with your child - children who read 5 times will get 5 Class Dojo points.



Headteacher's Recommendation

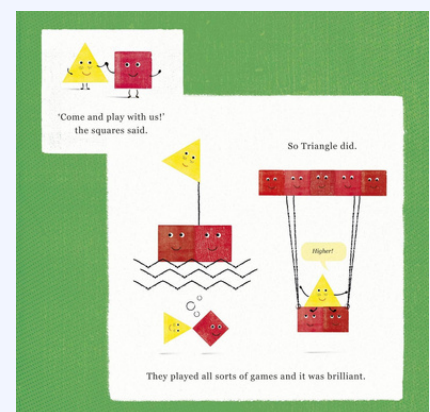
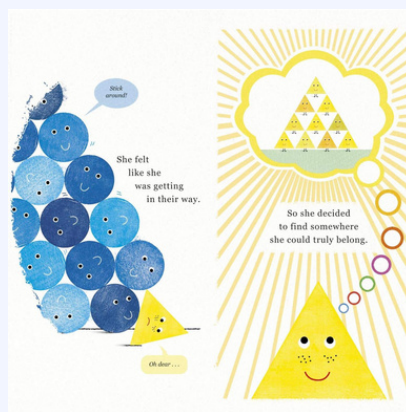
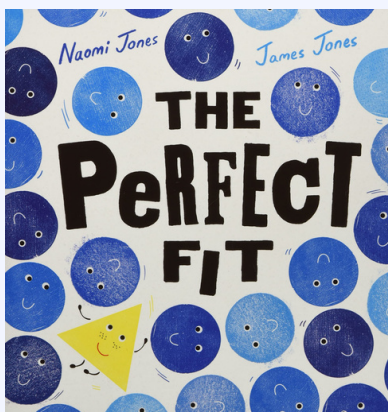


This week, I am delighted to recommend a truly uplifting and thought-provoking picture book: **The Perfect Fit** by Naomi Jones.

The Perfect Fit follows a little triangle who does not quite fit in with the other shapes – and sets off on a journey to find where she truly belongs. It offered the perfect opportunity to start the term with a positive message about inclusion, individuality, and resilience.

The story gently encourages children to embrace their own uniqueness and to understand that everyone has a special place where they fit just right. With its bright illustrations and engaging storyline, The Perfect Fit explores important themes such as self-acceptance, perseverance, and creative problem-solving.

This book is a brilliant resource for helping children build confidence, empathy, and a sense of belonging – all especially valuable as they settle into a new year filled with fresh experiences and new friendships. I would highly recommend sharing it at home, to continue the message: that we are all different, and that's what makes us special – sometimes, it just takes a little time to find where we truly belong.



CLOSED

Monday 30th September 2025

CLOSED

Please be advised that on **Monday 30th September 2025** there will be no After School provision due to essential whole-school safeguarding training.

This will also include the Day Nursery, which will close promptly at **3:15pm** on this day.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause, but it is vital that all staff receive the required safeguarding training to ensure we continue to keep your children safe.

Thank you for your understanding and support.



School Safety Team



We are pleased to share that this year we will be working closely with Merseyside Police to develop a School Safety Team as part of our ongoing commitment to keeping children safe and informed.

Throughout the year, our local PCSOs (Police Community Support Officers) will be visiting the school to work alongside staff and children. Their visits will focus on helping children understand how to stay safe in a range of situations, both in school and in the wider community.

The School Safety Team will help promote key messages around personal safety, respect, community awareness, and the importance of making positive choices. We look forward to developing this partnership and giving our children the chance to learn directly from local officers in a positive and engaging way.

We will keep you updated on upcoming visits and activities as the year progresses.



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 Uniform Reminder



A polite reminder that children should come to school in their full school uniform each day. The only exception is on your child's allocated PE day, when they should arrive wearing their PE kit.

On all other days, children are expected to wear their school shoes along with their full uniform. We appreciate your support in helping us maintain high standards and ensuring our children take pride in their appearance.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

We are delighted to be supporting this year's Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 26th September 2025. This is always a lovely community event and a chance to raise money for a very worthy cause.

Further details will be shared on Class Dojo, so please keep an eye out for updates.

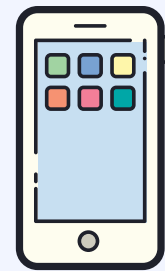
Use of Mobile Phones

We kindly ask all parents and carers to avoid using mobile phones when collecting children at the end of the school day.

This short window of time is a wonderful opportunity to connect with your child, hear about their day, and give them your full attention as they leave school. Just a few minutes of focused conversation can make a real difference to your child's confidence, wellbeing, and sense of security.

Children are always excited to see their grown-ups at the end of the day, and a warm smile or a few encouraging words can help them feel valued and supported. Being present and engaged also helps us to maintain a calm, safe and welcoming environment around the school gates.

We really appreciate your support in making home time a positive and meaningful experience for all our children.



Open Evening - October 2025



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: - N/A
RM - Sycamore: - N/A
RR - Willow: - N/A

1B - Cherry: - Ivy Currie
1BC - Maple: - Rudransh Ponnala
1H - Olive: - Joshua McCutcheon

2F - Oak: - Ivy Ventre
2Wa - Hazel: - Jasmine Miller
2W - Rowan: - Aubrey Evans

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.



PTA and Parent Forum



At Blackmoor Park Infant School, we are always keen to strengthen the partnership between home and school. To help us do this, we are looking for new members to join both our Parent Forum and our PTA.

Our PTA, led by Miss Wilkins (Assistant Headteacher), plays a vital role in organising events and raising funds to support the school. The Parent Forum, run by Mr Naylor (Headteacher), provides an opportunity for parents and carers to share their perspectives and celebrate our school's achievements.

We are now recruiting Parent/Carer Forum Representatives for this year. Our aim is to have one parent or carer representing each of our classes. The Forum meets once per term to discuss key agenda items and provide a valuable parental viewpoint. Please note that the Forum cannot address individual concerns, as it is a public meeting held only once each term.

If you are interested in becoming a Parent/Carer Forum Representative, please speak to the school office. If more than one parent or carer applies for the same class, priority will be given to those who have not previously held the role, with names drawn at random if needed.



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>

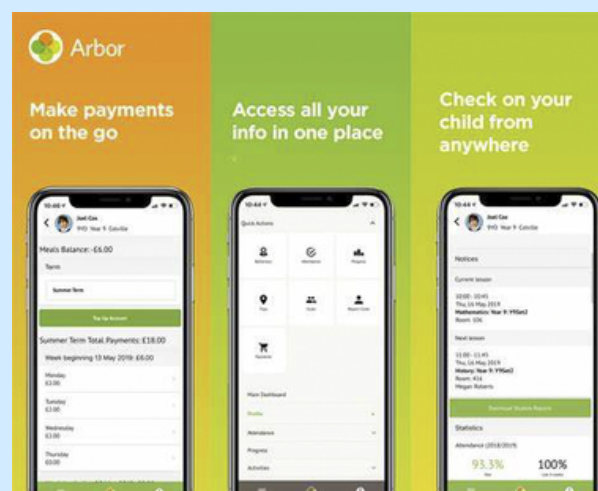
We hope to see lots of children joining us for a fantastic week!

Arbor Pay

We are excited to announce the rollout of Arbor Pay, our new online payment system, as we move towards becoming a cashless school.

Please follow the directions provided on Class Dojo to download the Parent Pay / Arbor App, where you will find all upcoming items and items available for payment. We will begin to replace current payment systems for services such as; breakfast club, after-school club, holiday club and school trips/visits during the autumn term.

This platform will help streamline payments and ensure a safer, more convenient process for all of our families.



Safeguarding Spotlight: Trusted Adults

This week's Safeguarding Spotlight is a reminder of the importance of trusted adults in supporting children's safety and wellbeing.

A trusted adult is someone a child knows, feels comfortable with, and can speak to if they are worried, upset, or unsure about something. This might be a parent or carer, a teacher, a teaching assistant, or another familiar adult at home or at school.

It is helpful for children to know that they can turn to more than one trusted adult, and that it is always okay to ask for help — even if something feels small or difficult to explain. Encouraging open conversations at home helps children feel secure in the knowledge that they will be listened to and taken seriously.

We encourage all families to take a few moments to talk with their children about who their trusted adults are and to reassure them that asking for help is always the right thing to do. These simple conversations can make a big difference in helping children feel safe, supported, and confident in managing challenges both in and out of school.


Blackmoor Park Infant School and Kindergarten
Designated Safeguarding Leaders

Are you concerned about a child?

...you must share your concerns without delay!



Mrs S Rattigan
Assistant Headteacher
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mr E Naylor
Headteacher
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Miss A Wilkins
Assistant Headteacher
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Miss C Franklin
Family Support Worker
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



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Wishing you a restful and refreshing weekend. Take the time to switch off, enjoy some well-deserved downtime, and we will be ready to go again on Monday.

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

