Blackshaw Moor CofE First School

Weekly Newsletter

Learning together, rooted in God

12th - 16th October 2026

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A Note From Mrs Crawforth

It was lovely to see all the children arriving for their photos this morning with the correct uniform on. I know that many children do come in the correct uniform every day, but can I please just give a few reminders now we are almost through the first half term. Yellow tops and navy jumpers or cardigans must be worn, but these do not have to have the logo. Trousers, skirts or pinafore dresses should be navy, black or grey and shoes should be navy or black. Trainers must not be worn unless children are coming in their PE kits in Wise Owls. PE kits are white t-shirts, plain or with the logo, and navy or black shorts. Navy or black jogging bottoms can be worn when it is colder but they must also be plain. Children should wear their school jumper or cardigan with their PE kit. Please make sure all items of uniform are named as children will leave them lying around and it is impossible to identify the owner without a name. Please also be reminded that jewellery should not be worn at any time apart from plain stud earrings and these must be able to be removed by the children for PE. Thank you for your support with this.



What's New

Parent consultation evenings

These are happening today (Monday) and tomorrow. Please make sure you attend for the appointments you have made. Each appointment is a maximum of 10 minutes and please be aware that teachers have a very tight schedule. If you find that you need longer than 10 mins, another appointment can be arranged at a time to suit everyone.

Wear it Pink Day

On Friday 23rd October it is Wear it Pink Day. We are inviting everyone to wear something pink to help raise awareness of breast cancer. Breast cancer can affect anyone and many of us may know somebody whose life has been touched by it. The day is a chance to show that we care about others and to remind our children how important kindness, compassion and looking after one another can be. Although children won't understand what breast cancer is, they will enjoy dressing differently for the day, and hopefully parent and carers will be reminded and encouraged to check regularly for lumps or changes to their bodies.

Churnet View Middle School Open Evening

Please see the poster later in the newsletter with details about the open evening on Thursday 15th October.

PTFA Autumn Fancy Dress & Christmas wreath making

The PTFA are organising an Autumn Fancy Dress party for the children. This will be on Thursday 22nd October from 5pm until 6pm, more details to follow this week. They are also organising Christmas wreath making. Please see the poster later in the newsletter and get your places booked.

Year of reading - October challenge - A Book Drive

During the month of October, we invite children to bring in any books they would like to donate. The books must be in good condition. These books will be collected and sent to a charity that distributes them to children across the country who may not have access to books of their own. By donating a book, our children can help foster a love of reading and make a real difference to the lives of less fortunate children through their kindness and generosity. Please see the poster later in the newsletter. Their website has more information if you would like to see the work the charity does.

This Week's Highlight

Parent consultations Monday and Tuesday

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Awards of the Week

Stars of the week:

Mrs Gordon: Gracie W
Mrs Shaw:
Mrs Worrall: Willow B
Busy Bees: Freddie H
Mrs Picken:
Mrs Corden:

Forest School award - Edward H & Charlotte G

Values:
Courage:
Friendship: Amelia B
Respect: Alana T, Freddie W

Golden Table: Jack C, Archie B, Aubree F, Libby S, Daisy B and they have chosen Amelia B, Cohen B, Avery WB, Darcey G & Rubie L

Clean plate: Charlie A
Team Points: Meerbrook Mayhems

Hero Certificates: Ayda R, Mollie T, Victor A, Freddie W, Avery WB

Reading Tree 100:

Heroes of Change challenges:

Worship Council

That you shall have life, life in all its fullness (John 10:10)

The worship council will be leading a worship this week.

Upcoming Events

Mon 12th Oct	Academy Photos
Mon 12th Oct	Parent Consultation Evening
Tue 13th Oct	Parent Consultation Evening
Fri 23rd Oct	Wear it Pink Day for Breast Cancer Awareness
Fri 23rd Oct	School breaks up for half term
Tues 3rd Nov	School opens for children
Wed 4th Nov	Bags2Schools collection
Tues 10th Nov	Diwali Day
Fri 20th Nov	Children in Need
Tues 1st Dec	Christmas Carol Service at St Matthew's Church 10am - all welcome
Thur 10th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Fayre and a visit from Santa
Fri 11th Dec	Celebration worship with parents invited 2.30pm (more info nearer the time)
Tues 15th Dec	Pantomime

Club News

Superstars is available every day. Childcare is available 8am - 8.45am and 3.30pm to 5.30pm Mon - Thurs but after school **finishes at 4.30pm on Friday**. Please book this in advance through Arbor. If you need to contact the club when it is running, please use the number **07964 725263** as the school phone may go to answerphone and the message not be picked up in time. Thank you.

The clubs within Superstars are on until 4.30pm and include:

Monday – Loom Band and Lego club
Tuesday – Construction Club starts 15th Sept
Wednesday – Cookery club starts 16th Sept
Thursday - Computers and Crafts
Friday - No planned club, session finishes for all at 4.30pm

Children's Book Project



Book Drive

Bring in the books you've grown out of and the Children's Book Project will gift them to a child in need.

Dates: October 2026

We're lookingfor pre-loved, gently used books. Unfortunately, we cannot accept:

-torn, scribbled or dirty books
-foreign language books
-DVDs or CDs
-textbooks or revision books
-ex library books
-reading schemes



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Christmas Wreath Making



Tuesday 1st December

OR

Wednesday 2nd December

Both at 7.30pm start

£30 per person

Including a festive drink and snack

With Rudyard Flowers

Payment by BACS once place confirmed

School News

Cooking club

Children made bread and butter pudding.

















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Construction Club

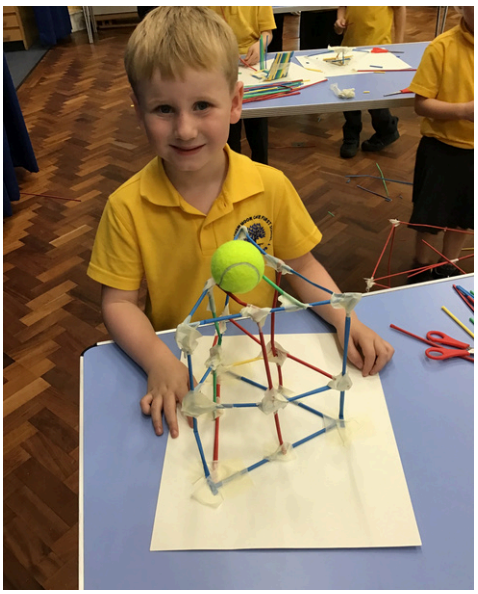
Children were set the challenge of creating a tennis ball holder.











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Forest School

This week, children in Wise Owls used Morse Code to follow a trail and send their partners on a trail, Clever Cats played hide and seek with conkers and Busy Bees practised teamwork skills by playing games.



















