



Blackshaw Moor CofE First School

Weekly Newsletter

Learning together, rooted in God

5th - 9th October 2026

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A Note From Mrs Crawfordth

Thank you to everyone who came to the Harvest Festival last week. It was great to see so many of you. I am sure that those of you who came will agree that the children did really well delivering the service. Busy Bees sang their song brilliantly, Clever Cats delivered their poems and Wise Owls led the service and prayers wonderfully. Thank you to the class teachers for organising everything. Thank you also for the Harvest gifts that you sent in with the children. Wise Owls have delivered gifts to elderly people on Tittesworth Estate and the rest of the food is going to the food bank for the people in Leek who need it most. Thank you again.

Thank you also to everyone who came to the PTFA AGM. The committee shared details of everything that happened last year, the money they raised and the contributions they gave back to the school through resources, trips and donations to larger items. Thank you to all the committee for their hard work and dedication to the school.



What's New

Academy Photos

Academy photos are coming to school on Monday 12th October. They will be taking individual photos and family groups. If anyone wants to bring in older or younger siblings, please come for 8.30am and these pictures will be taken first so that older children can get to school after. Photos will be taken of all children on their own, as well as with siblings in school, so you will have choices of what you purchase. Children in Wise Owls who normally come in PE kits can bring these to change in to unless you are happy for them to be photographed in their PE kits.

Parent consultation evenings

Just a reminder that these are on Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th. If you haven't already got an appointment, please ask your class teacher.

Bags2School

Please note that our next Bags2School will be on Wednesday 4th November. For those of you who are new to the school, this is a really easy way of raising money. All we ask is that you bring bags of old clothes, bedding, bags, shoes etc. and these are collected, weighed and we are given an amount of money depending on the weight. We will be sending home bags soon, but you can use any bags if you have more than one to fill. This is a good opportunity to have a good clear out of all the old summer clothes that you know will be no good for next year. Please bring your bags on the morning of the 4th as we don't have anywhere to store these beforehand. The collection usually happens in the morning so they need to be here for 9am. Thanks.

Dates for you diary

Please note we have added some dates for your diaries in December so that you are aware of what we have planned. We will let you have more details of each event nearer the time.

This Week's Highlight

There is nothing in the calendar for this week but don't forget photos on Monday 12th



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Awards of the Week

Stars of the week:

Mrs Gordon: Arthur S
Mrs Shaw: Beatrice B
Mrs Worrall: Mabel W
Busy Bees: Ayda R
Mrs Picken:
Mrs Corden: Delta A

Forest School award - Troy A

Values:

Courage:

Friendship: Estelle HJ

Respect: Amelia B, Victor A, River T

Golden Table: Ruby R, Phoebe T, Avery WB, Isaac W & Rosie G and they have chosen Ida WB, Charlotte G, Charlie A, Arthur P & Darcey G.

Clean plate: Bertie W

Team Points: Meerbrook Mayhems

Hero Certificates: Tiffany G, Charlotte G, Phoebe T, Mabel W, Beatrice B, Indi M, Libby S & Edie L

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

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Cooking club

Children made Oat and Banana Cookies.



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Construction Club

Children were set the challenge of building a marble run using cardboard boxes and pieces of card. Children enjoyed finding ways to alter their models to make sure the marbles would be able to travel through them.



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Forest School

This week, children in Wise Owls made WW2 air raid shelters to tie in with their topic, Clever Cats made caramelised apples and Busy Bees played conker games including Hide and Seek with conkers.



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Forest School continued ...

