

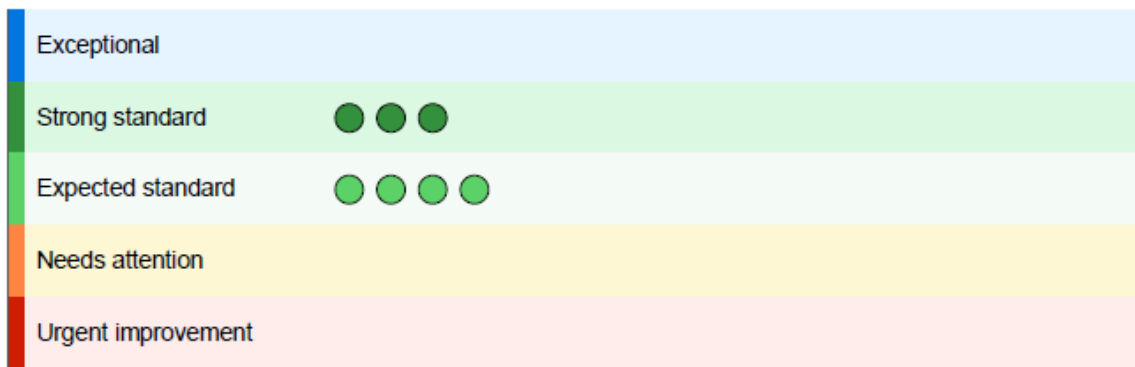
**BLACKHORSE
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



Blackhorse Primary School Newsletter

T3 Wk3: 23rd January 2026

Inspection report: 25 November 2025



OFSTED Report Published

Our OFSTED score card and report arrived this week and we were very pleased to share it with you on Tuesday. We are very proud and feel it captures the essence of what makes Blackhorse unique and recognises inclusion as the golden thread that weaves throughout the school.

As you are aware Blackhorse put itself forward to be inspected in November under the new framework, a refined and rigorous process involving two days of inspection with four of His Majesty's Inspectors. They spent their time in classrooms looking at the teaching and learning, talking to leaders and governors and talking to the children about all aspects of life at Blackhorse. Views from parents gathered in the playground and via the survey also formed part of the evidence base.

What is like to be a pupil at Blackhorse...

Pupils arrive at Blackhorse Primary School with a skip in their step and smiles on their faces. They feel valued. They form strong and respectful relationships with staff. Staff **skilfully remove any barriers to learning** for disadvantaged pupils or those who have special educational needs and/or disabilities. This ensures that pupils thrive, succeed and feel safe.

The school's mission, 'to build champion learners', is a golden thread that runs throughout all aspects of school life.

The values of respect, pride, bravery and success underpin this. Pupils bring these values to life through their eagerness to do well and their day-to-day interactions with one another. **Classrooms are purposeful and productive.** Across the school, pupils enjoy their learning, achieve and attend well. Published national outcomes reflect this.

Pupils demonstrate the school rules of 'ready, respectful and safe', both inside and outside of the classroom.

Pupils benefit greatly from the **school's extensive wider offer.** Opportunities to develop their talents and interests are plentiful, ranging from sports to creative arts. This ensures that pupils develop confidence, broaden their horizons and **discover new passions beyond the classroom.** Pupils take great pride in the roles and responsibilities they have. They know that through their leadership roles, they can influence change and make a difference.

Leaders are highly ambitious for the school and parents are overwhelmingly supportive.

We would like to thank every one who took the time to talk to an inspector or complete the survey. The goodwill messages on the playground and via email before, during and after were much appreciated.

We will continue to work hard to make Blackhorse the very best school for everyone.



Congratulations



We would like to send our congratulations to Emma Coode and her partner James who have announced they are expecting their first child in May. This is a very exciting time for them both and

we are delighted for them.

We will begin the recruitment process to find a teacher to cover Emma's maternity leave . and will let you know once we have appointed.

Term 3 Diary Dates:

Fri 6th Feb: Rec & KS1 Achievement Assembly 9:15

Mon 9th Feb: Rec weight, height and vision screening

Tues 10th Feb: Flamenco Music Concert at Resound

Weds 11th Feb: Y5/6 Author Visit

Thurs 12th Feb: Y2 trip to SS Great Britain

Fri 13th Feb: KS2 Achievement Assembly 9:15

Fri 13th Feb: Last day of Term 3

Mon 23rd Feb: INSET Day

Tues 24th Feb: Term 4 begins

This week's Champion...

Success is our focus this week and Charlie in Rowan has been chosen as our Champion.

Miss Wooller writes 'Charlie is a highly engaged and enthusiastic member of Rowan Class and just an absolute delight to have the room! His knowledge during our enquiry sessions consistently impresses us and reflects the commitment he shows to developing his learning both in school and at home.

This week, Charlie has worked particularly hard on using dialogue effectively to show his characters' actions and emotions, producing some excellent work we are very proud of! He has thought carefully about his word choices, and he has used a wide range of skills in his writing, highlighting what a good author he is becoming!



This week's Champions!

Each week, the staff nominate one child per class who has been a model pupil, demonstrating the values which we look for in Champion Learners!

This week we have been focussing on the school value of success. This week our Champions are:

Year	Nominees
Resource Base	Noah & Isla
Reception	Jenson & Roma
Year 1	Savera & Eliza
Year 2	Thea H & Jack W
Year 3	Finley & Rio
Year 4	Oscar & Zachary
Year 5	Teddie & Charlie
Year 6	Hattie & Tommy

STEM Opportunity



Year 5 have been provided with the chance to attend a STEM workshop at UWE in Term 6.

This exciting opportunity designed to develop their STEM

knowledge and inspire them for a possible future career has been organised by Mr Khosravi.

We are looking for generous members of our community who may be able to help cover the cost of transport to enable this to happen. The cost of a return trip to UWE is £365. If you or your company are looking to make a charitable donation this can be done through the PTA. If you can help please contact the school office

Attendance Champions

Year 5 are our attendance champions this week with attendance of 96.8% Cherry class managed a perfect 100% this week

Rowan were a very close second with 99.2% and Ash were third with 98%. Elm also exceeded our 97% target.