



Blackhorse Primary School Newsletter

T1 Wk5: 3rd October 2025



Year 6 Shine at PGL

This week our Year 6 children have demonstrated what true Blackhorse Champions they are during their residential at PGL. All of the school values: Bravery, Respect, Pride and Success, have been clear to see throughout the week as the children have tackled challenges and grown together as a group.

The fun started from the moment they arrived on Monday afternoon with the children facing the challenge of the Giant Swing, an activity that tested their head for heights straight away. They also experienced the sensory trail designed to develop their team building skills.

They have shown great bravery throughout the week as they have zipped down wires, built crate towers as high as they could and tested their resolve by leaping for a trapeze suspended high above the floor.

Some children were terrified of the high activities on day 1 and 2 but by day 3 were launching themselves off the platform to grab the trapeze.

With the dark nights drawing in, they have enjoyed torchlit treasure hunts and songs around the



campfire, building memories that will last a lifetime. They have also enjoyed taking to canoes on the lake or even in the lake in many cases.



One particular highlight of the children was getting to shoot arrows at Mr Denton and Miss Jenkins to take revenge for all the work they make them do back at school. Don't worry the arrows had soft tips and safety gear was in place!

The children have thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Harry B has many highlights including hitting the bullseye in archery. Vienna is very proud that she has tried everything and her favourite activity was the giant swing. It has been great to see so many happy children filling the school Instagram account this week.

This would not have been possible without the energy and care the staff have put in 24/7 for the past 5 days. We would like to thank them for their commitment for providing such an enriching experience for the children.

Respect in Action

A group of Year 4 children have shown respect for their school environment this week by volunteering to keep the playground tidy every lunchtime.



They used their initiative and asked if they could help. They have proudly shown off their efforts at the end of each collection. Well done team.

Term 1 Diary Dates:

- Mon 6th Oct: Police visiting Reception**
- Mon 6th Oct: PGL Meeting for Y5 Parents (3:45)**
- Mon 6th Oct: PTA AGM (6:00)**
- Mon 13th Oct: EYFS Intake 2026 Open Morning**
- Mon 13th Oct: Harvest Assembly Y2 parents invited**
- Tues 14th Oct: ESFA Girl's 7-a-side tournament**
- Tues 14th Oct: Flu Vaccinations**
- Weds 15th Oct: EYFS Intake 2026 stay and play**
- Thurs 16th Oct: PTA School Disco**
- Fri 17th Oct: Rec & KS1 Achievement Assembly (9:15)**
- Fri 17th Oct: PTA Rags 2 Riches clothes collection**
- Mon 20th Oct: Parents' Evening**
- Tues 21st Oct: Y2 visit to We the Curious**
- Weds 22nd Oct: Parents' Evening**
- Thurs 23rd Oct: KS2 Achievement Assembly (9:15)**
- Fri 24th Oct: INSET Day: school closed to pupils**
- Mon 3rd Nov: Start of Term 2**

PTA AGM

The PTA AGM is taking place on Monday 6th October at 6pm. The PTA are a group of parents who organise events to bring the community together and raise much needed funds for the school. Please come along and hear about their efforts last year and find out what they are planning for the year ahead and how you can get involved. If you can't make it in person then you can [join online](#).

PTA Disco: The PTA Disco is taking place on Thursday 16th October. Tickets are now available via the Arbor App.

Rags to Riches: Take the opportunity to clear out any unwanted clothes and help raise funds for the school. Bring your donations in a bag under the tree by the bikesheds on Friday 17th October.

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 Respect. This week our nominees are:

Year	Nominees
Resource Base	Aubrey & Rufus
Reception	Charlie G & Thea
Year 1	Tushaar & Cody
Year 2	Elsie & Freya
Year 3	Savona & Bruce
Year 4	Lillie & Chloe M
Year 5	Ethan W & Ella
Year 6	All of Year 6

This week's Champion...

Respect is our focus this week and Savona in Elm has been chosen as our Champion. Miss Bet-

tany writes; 'Savona is a shining example of what it means to be a Blackhorse Champion. She is polite, respectful, and full of kindness, Savona brings a positive attitude to everything she does. She puts an incredible amount of effort into her

learning every day and goes above and beyond to support those around her. Whether she's helping a friend or showing patience and understanding to others, Savona truly leads by example. Well done, this award is truly deserved!'



Attendance Champions this week:

No surprise as Year 6 top the attendance charts this week with fantastic attendance of 99.4%. Y2 and Y1 are 2nd and 3rd with attendance of 98.3% and 97.4% respectively. Cherry had attendance of 100% this week! An amazing 10 classes had attendance above 97%.