



Blackhorse Primary School Newsletter

T1 Wk3: 19th September 2025

Mission Masters 2025/26



At Blackhorse we encourage children to take on leadership roles in a variety of ways to help build their confidence and develop a range of skills. Our Mission Masters are unique in this as they are elected by their peers.

Mission Masters are the voice for all children in the school and they work together, with the guidance of Mrs Wilson, to think of ways to improve the school and develop ways to support all children. They are called Mission Masters as they help deliver the mission of building Champion Learners.

Last year our Mission Masters had a very busy year and achieved lots of great things as demonstrated in the [video](#) they produced at the end of the year.

In assembly on Monday we started the process of selecting our next group of children. Each class from Y1 to Y6 including Sycamore elects one representative. Children have until Monday 22nd September to put themselves forward by letting their teacher know. On Tuesday the class will hold an initial vote and four candidates will be selected to move forward and be placed on the official ballot paper. The class results will be announced the following day and the campaigning begins.



Candidates are invited to prepare a speech to deliver to their class outlining why they have what it takes to represent their class. In the past, videos have been produced. This is not essential but if you choose to make one please send it to the [school office](#) by the end of the school day on Tuesday 1st October.

2nd October is Election Day and everyone will get to vote. Mrs Wilson will visit every class throughout the day. Year 6 ballot papers will be taken to PGL and the children will have the chance to vote.

Results will be announced in assembly on Monday 6th October. Our Mission Masters receive a special tee shirt to wear to the fortnightly meetings. Class teachers will also select a deputy mission master to support their mission master and they attend monthly.

Reception Phonics

Our new reception children have been getting to know each other this week as all 60 children have been in school. They have also started the Unlocking Letters and Sounds phonics programme to help them develop their early reading skills. Scan the QR code to find out more about phonics



Term 1 Diary Dates:

- Weds 24th Sept: Author Visit Y5 and Y6**
- Mon 29th Sept: Y6 PGL residential**
- Weds 1st Oct: Author Visit Y4 and Y5**
- Thurs 2nd Oct: EYFS Intake 2026 Open Morning**
- Thurs 2nd Oct: Author Visit Y3 & Y4**
- 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**
- 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**

Attendance Champions this week:

Our attendance so far this academic year is a fabulous 97.4% which is above our target and the national average. Thank you to everyone for your continued effort with this.

Reception top the attendance charts this week with 98.6% closely followed by Y1 with 97.7% Year 2 and 4 also exceed our target this week. Oak and Cedar both had 99% attendance this week. 10 classes altogether exceeded 97% Keep it up.

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 Bravery. This week our nominees are:

Year	Nominees
Resource Base	Isla & Gus
Reception	Zayd & Elia
Year 1	Jules & Reel
Year 2	Emily & Cooper
Year 3	Ellana & Chloe
Year 4	Chloe & Louie
Year 5	Pia & Olly
Year 6	Kiki & Isabel

This week's Champion...

Bravery is our focus this week and Gus in Sycamore has been chosen as our Champion. Mrs Lynam writes; 'We are so proud of how Gus has settled back into a new year in Sycamore class!

There are always changes at the start of the year and he has managed these brilliantly as well as impressing us with his learning in all subjects. Gus is such a kind and friendly member of our class; he has made our new year 3 children feel welcome and invites everyone to play games at break and lunchtimes. He is also our class comedian. One of his favourite jokes is 'What is in the sky and wobbles? A jellycopter!' Well done Gus.



School Kitchen News

Please remember to consider any allergens your child has and order meals in advance on the Arbor App to avoid confusion. Can we remind you that the meat we serve is not Halal. On Thursday 2nd October we will be offering a special one off menu of burgers, vege burgers and potato footballs. This is to encourage as many children as possible to enjoy a school meal as this is the day we receive funding based on our dinners consumed.