

Thursday 25th May 2023

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It may have been the last week of the half term but everything has been continuing apace at school!

Our intrepid Year 2 children have finally finished their secret agent training and will be celebrating with a secret agent party tomorrow. They have all been amazing and both Mrs Mellor and Miss Hilton have been keeping everyone updated with how determined and thorough everyone has been.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, we welcomed our school improvement partners into school. It was two full days looking at reading, our curriculum and a wider school safeguarding systems and procedures. It is a privilege to be able to sit and listen to those with outside eyes speak so warmly about the school, the children, the staff and our relationships with parents and carers. These are things we *know* and *feel* and it's especially heart-warming when other people see it too. This was further summed up yesterday when I received the following email:

*Hello there,
My husband and I visited Martin Mere this morning and encountered a party of children from your school. I just wanted to congratulate and encourage you on their excellent, respectful behaviour to other visitors they met. They were a credit to their teachers and school!*

Well done!

Regards

Mr & Mrs X

This isn't the first email I have received about our children when out in the community. I should get better at sharing them! Well done Year 4, you had a great day and have come back with lots of new knowledge (sadly, we cannot have a flamingo as our school pet!).

Wishing everyone a lovely half term holiday. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 5th July.

Mrs Backhouse

Attendance

Whole School Target: 97%

Whole School Average Attendance to Date:
95.46%

This week's winning classes: 5W 99.6%.

Amazing!



Half-Term Break

School will close on Friday 26th May for the half-term break. It will re-open on Monday 5th June. We wish all our families a restful holiday and we hope that the weather is fine!

Warm Weather Reminders

As we hopefully enter some warmer weather, please ensure that your child comes to school with a water bottle each day. School water bottles can be purchased from the school office for £1.20. When required, please ensure that children have suntan lotion applied before they come to school as staff can not apply lotion in school. Children may wish to bring a cap to wear for break times and outdoor P.E. lessons.

Rounders Competition Final

Well done to our Year 5/6 Rounders team who participated in the final of the Borough Partnership Rounders tournament this week. They finished fourth overall out of sixteen teams. A super effort!

Online Safety

Please visit the online safety section of the school website to find lots of useful information about the latest apps children are using and some great online safety tips. The staying safe online section is accessed via the news tab and scrolling across on the front of the website.

Stars of The Week

Congratulations to all our children who were announced as our Stars of the Week in last Friday's assembly. We are really proud of you all!

Nursery: Zander	5W: Aahil
R1: Hira	5M: Ruby
R2: Liyana	6W: Mason & Benjamin
1W: Nathan	6M: Amelia
1M: Esme	
2W: Eesa	Mrs Cadogan: Kiswa
2M: Betsy	
3W: Dylan James	
3M: Sami	
4W:	
4M: Zak	

Lunchtime Stars Golf Vouchers

We will be awarding ten vouchers per week for two free rounds of mini golf at Rochdale Putt Stars for children who display excellent behaviour at lunch times, both when they are eating and when they are playing outside. Well done to Annie, Ava, Eesa, Eesa, Aiza, Ayaan, Charlotte, Mason, Zac and Zayn who were our winners for last week.

Thank you to Rochdale Putt Stars for offering this scheme to the school.



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School Council

News

Councillors will meet on Friday to create posters to advertise upcoming events and an oral health presentation for Smile Month to share in an assembly.

New Reception Parents' Meeting

Our meeting for new reception parents will take place on Wednesday 7th June at 5.30pm. This meeting will give parents the opportunity to meet the EYFS team and see the inside and outside classroom areas.

Children's Champion Update

Good luck to Ayaan who films his campaign video this week. He has already practised presenting his ideas in a school assembly and at his local mosque. Everyone has been impressed by his confident delivery.



Dojo Winners

Well done to all our dojo points winners for last week. We are really impressed with your efforts.

Nursery: Charlie	4M: Jackson
R1: Marwah	5W: Ayub
R2: Aayan	5M: Izaak
1W: Jess & Ava	6W: Ayla
1M: Pippa	6M: Jack
2W: Idris	
2M: Adam	
3W: Safa	
3M: Rosie	
4W: Reggie	

Dates for the Diary Spring Term 2023



We try to include as many useful dates as we can but suggest that you keep checking this list over the following weeks as dates may be added or amended. Please contact school if you have any queries relating to dates of events or holidays.

Month of May 2023	Year 2 SATs
Wednesday 24 th May 2023	Year 4 Trip to Martin Mere
Friday 26 th May 2023	School nurse visit to Years 5 & 6
5 th - 9 th June 2023	Year 4 Times Table Test
Wednesday 7 th June 2023 5.30pm	New Reception Parents' Meeting
Monday 12 th June 2023	Year 3 Trip to Ribchester
12 th - 16 th June 2023	Year 1 Phonics Screening Test
Monday 19 th June 2023	Year 5 Ancient Greek Workshop
19 th - 23 rd June 2023	Sports Week
Friday 23 rd June 2023	Wear Sports Kit Day - donation to Barnardo's
26 th - 30 th June 2023	Nursery Stay & Play Sessions
Thursday 29 th - Friday 30 th June 2023	Year 6 Residential to Waddow Hall
3 rd - 7 th July 2023	Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday 4 th July 2023	Whole School Transition Day
Tuesday 4 th July 2023	Reception visits with parents
Monday 10 th July 2023	KS1 and KS2 Sunshine Awards
Monday 10 th July 2023	Year 1 Fire Station Trip
Tuesday 11 th July 2023	Year 1 Fire Station Trip
Wednesday 12 th July 2023 9.30am	Year 5/6 Performance for Year 5 Parents
Thursday 13 th July 2023 9.30am	Year 5/6 Performance for Year 6 Parents
Thursday 13 th July 2023	School reports sent out
Friday 14 th July 2023 9.15am	Childer Assembly
Friday 14 th July 2023 6pm	Year 6 Leavers' Party
Tuesday 18 th July 2023	Years 4/5 Water Polo Competition
Wednesday 19 th July 2023 9.30am	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Thursday 20 th July 2023 9.30am	Star of the Year Assembly
Thursday 20 th July 2023	School closes for the summer break

PTA News

Please see the flyer below for information about supporting our fundraising.

If you would like to contact the PTA directly with any feedback or ideas, please email whittakermosspta@gmail.com



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Friday 26th May

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