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Thank you to all of the parents who attended our anxiety workshop last Friday. It was very worthwhile and informative and the feedback from both parents and the mental health practitioners has been really positive.

On Monday our intrepid Year 4 pupils and staff braved the elements to complete their local area Geography field work. It is fair to say they got to experience the full range of British weather, but they completed their work with a smile of their faces and with their good humour intact. Well done Year 4!

It has been all togas and sandals in Year 5 this week. They started the week learning all about Ancient Greece: daily life, entertainment and food. The children were really engaged, learning first hand what life was like in the past and how the Ancient Greeks lived their daily lives.

We have received another email in school, this time praising the school council members who attended the climate change event with the local authority last week. It is too long to share in full, but the first paragraph sums it up nicely, I think:

*It is an understatement to say that we were impressed by the children's contribution. Their knowledge around climate change was incredible. We were astounded by the complexities of their questions for the councillors and the sophistication of their argument in the debate. Their enthusiasm was clear for all to see and their keenness to participate was evident right from the word go.*

Lastly, well done Elsie for completing her swimming challenge in aid of Springhill Hospice. She swam her final length in front of her class at Heywood baths last week to massive rounds of applause. Springhill is very close to our hearts as a school, and we are proud of all that our children do in their own time to raise money for this very special place.

Have a lovely weekend.  
Mrs Backhouse

## Attendance

Whole School Target: 97%

Whole School Average Attendance to Date:  
95.56%

This week's winning classes: 4W & 5M 98.1%.  
Super!



## Warm Weather Reminders

As we experience 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.



## Four Books Challenge

The closing date for the read four books challenge is this Friday - 23rd June. Sheets with verdicts written on that were given out in the autumn term must be handed in to your child's class teacher by this date. Winners will be announced shortly after this date and will receive a prize. Thank you to everyone who has read the four books assigned to their year group and has handed in their verdict sheet already.

## Dealing With Anxiety Workshop

Thank you to all parents who attended the workshop last Friday. We hope you found the session informative. Please contact Mrs Cadogan at school if you have any concerns around your child and anxiety.

## Dress In Own Sports Kit Day

The school council invites everyone to dress in their own sports kit on **Friday 23rd June**. If you are able, please send your child in with a donation on this day. All donations received will go to Barnardo's, the school council's chosen national charity this year. Sports kit could include football kits (no boots with studs, please), rugby kits, dance outfits or just sports gear such as a t-shirt and shorts. Please support the school council if you can in their fundraising efforts for this worthwhile charity.

### Stars of The Week

Congratulations to all our children who were announced as our Stars of the Week for last week. We are really proud of you all!

Nursery: Laitham	5W: Lilli
R1: Anisah	5M: Haris
R2: Sonny	6W: Usman
1W: Max	6M: Maryam
1M: Isabella	
2W: Oscar	Mrs Cadogan: Aahil &
2M: Ethan	Coragh
3W: Stanley	
3M: Sami	
4W: James	
4M: Imaan	

### 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. This week's winners will be announced in next week's newsletter.

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



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### School Council News

Last week, councillors delivered their assembly to promote national smile month to the whole school. Well done to all councillors for their hard work on their presentations. The assembly was well received by staff and pupils.

### Scholastic Book Fair

This will take place between the 30<sup>th</sup> June and 6<sup>th</sup> July. We are asking that money to purchase a book to be sent in an envelope with your child's name on. The average price of a book is £6. Please indicate if you do not wish your child to purchase stationery items. Each class will be assigned a day to bring their money in. Class days are as follows:

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June: 6W, 6M, 5W, 5M  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July: 4M, 3W, 3M  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July: 2W, 2M  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July: 1W, 1M  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July: R1, R2, Nursery



### Dojo Winners

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

Nursery: Yusuf	4M: Aleeza
R1: Liyana	5W: Yahya
R2: Rosie	5M: Ashia
1W: Hibah & Rukaiya	6W: Haris
1M: Aria	6M: Jack
2W: Uhyab	
2M: Ollie	
3W: Is'Haq	
3M: Evie	
4W: Christopher	

## Dates for the Diary Summer 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.



Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2023	Wear Sports Kit Day - donation to Barnardo's
19 <sup>th</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	New Nursery Stay & Play Sessions
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Year 6 Residential to Waddow Hall
3 <sup>rd</sup> - 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Whole School Transition Day
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Reception visits with parents
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	KS1 and KS2 Sunshine Awards
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Year 1 Fire Station Trip
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Year 1 Fire Station Trip
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 9.30am	Year 5/6 Performance for Year 5 Parents
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 9.30am	Year 5/6 Performance for Year 6 Parents
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	School reports sent out
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 9.15am	Childer Assembly
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 6pm	Year 6 Leavers' Party
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Years 4/5 Water Polo Competition
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 9.30am	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 9.30am	Star of the Year Assembly
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	School closes for the summer break

## PTA News

Please see the flyers below for information about supporting our latest fundraising.

If you would like to contact the PTA directly with any feedback or ideas, please email [whittakermosspta@gmail.com](mailto:whittakermosspta@gmail.com)



# Whittaker Moss PTA Crafternoon

£5  
entry

June 24th, 2023

from 12pm to 4pm  
at Millcroft Tea Gardens  
Roods Lane, Rochdale

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Arts • Crafts  
Kids & Adults • Gifts  
Food & Drink

Admission now available to buy online. £5 entry for a 90 minute slot for craft activities.

12pm - <https://whittaker-moss-pta.sumupstore.com/product/crafternoon-12pm-slot>

2pm - <https://whittaker-moss-pta.sumupstore.com/product/crafternoon-2pm-slot>

**Search: Whittaker Moss PTA Sumup or head to the Facebook page**

Admission includes one craft per paying person suitable for all ages with extra crafts available on the day, priced up to £4 each. .

Gifts, food and drink available to buy on the day.

Please include full name & age of person taking part in message to seller as we will be checking off names on the door, tickets will not be issued.



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