

Thursday 29th June 2023

Whittaker Moss Primary School Newsletter 36

Another busy week! The term is flying by as we quickly head towards the summer break.

This week our EYFS team have really enjoyed meeting the children who will be starting in our Nursery and Reception classes in September during stay and play sessions. All children left the school eager to return - always a good sign!

On Monday we welcomed our friends from Neeli mosque who led two informative assemblies about Hajj and then held a workshop with year five pupils. Thank you to Neeli mosque for all your visits to the school this year that have greatly enhanced the R.E. curriculum.

Matt from MHST came into school on Tuesday morning to lead two workshops around dealing with transition anxiety with our year six pupils. The sessions were really well received. Thank you to Matt for his time.

On Thursday morning we waved our wonderful year six pupils off as they embarked on their residential experience. I am sure that there will be lots of fun tales to tell and photographs to follow on their return, Friday afternoon.

Please have a look on the school website to access photographs of all the events pupils have been participating in, including last week's sport and health week.

We will be hosting a Scholastic book fair next week. Details of class days are further down the newsletter. Please note the change of day for year six pupils.

Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Backhouse

Attendance

Whole School Target: 97%

Whole School Average Attendance to Date:
95.6%

This week's winning classes: 4W 99.4%. 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.

Sport & Health Week

Pupils enjoyed a range of activities during last week's sport and health week including local walks, athletic events, and a bouldering wall. The week culminated in the school council 'Dress in Sports Kit Day.' Thank you to everyone who sent in a donation for Barnardo's, the school council's chosen national charity this year. Photos of the week can be found on the school website.

Magistrates' Competition

Well done to our year 6 pupils who took part in the Greater Manchester Magistrates' competition last week, giving a fine performance. They finished a commendable third out of sixteen schools. Congratulations to Max who won an outstanding performance award for his portrayal of a prosecution lawyer. Photographs of the event can be found on the school website.

Polite Reminders

Please may we remind parents that dogs are not allowed on the school premises unless they are guide dogs or assistance dogs. This includes the playgrounds and car-park.

Please may we also remind parents that the school grounds and car-park are no-smoking zones. This includes e-cigarettes and vapes.

Thank you for your support with these matters.

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!

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| Nursery: Freddie | 5W: Charlie |
| R1: Eliza | 5M: Zaki |
| R2: Henry | 6W: Ruby |
| 1W: Liza | 6M: Hasan |
| 1M: Zakariya | |
| 2W: Duke | Mrs Cadogan: Year 6 |
| 2M: Ollie | Magistrates' Team |
| 3W: Isla | |
| 3M: Freya | |
| 4W: Oscar | |
| 4M: Sophie | |

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 last week's winners: Maya, Teddy, Nomi, Noah, Amelia, Harry, Rhodi, Ted, Alizah and Eric.

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



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School Council News

Councillors met on Friday to discuss school lunches and their attendance campaign. They also shared a lovely certificate they received from Manchester Children's Hospital to thank them for the money raised by their 'Dress in Pyjamas Day'.

Scholastic Book Fair

This will take place between the 30th June and 6th 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 30th June: 5W, 5M
Monday 3rd July: 4M, 3W, 3M
Tuesday 4th July: 2W, 2M, 6W, 6M
Wednesday 5th July: 1W, 1M
Thursday 6th July: R1, R2, Nursery



Dojo Winners

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

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| Nursery: Layke | 4M: Evie |
| R1: Eric | 5W: Joe |
| R2: Maryam | 5M: Zaki |
| 1W: Jack | 6W: Anya |
| 1M: Pearl | 6M: Hamza |
| 2W: Harriet | |
| 2M: Ayaan | |
| 3W: Fearne | |
| 3M: Daniel | |
| 4W: Haroon | |

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.



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| 19 th - 30 th June 2023 | New 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 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

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Friday 30th June

At picnic benches on main playground



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