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The week started with our Year 1 children visiting Rochdale Fire Museum on Monday and Tuesday. As always, behaviour was excellent, and the children really enjoyed finding out about the history of the fire service and looking at all of the equipment from years gone by.

With just one week to go before we break up for summer, we are busy with celebration assemblies, the Year 5/6 end of year show for parents and we will finish the week with our very special red-carpet event for our Year 6 pupils. It is a busy time to bring a busy year to a close. Children are enjoying seeing their new members of staff around the school, saying hello, and having a peep into new classrooms. Mr Greenhalgh, who will be joining us to teach in Year 3, came in to meet his new class on Tuesday. All the children were very excited to meet him and find out all about him and he was equally impressed with them!

We are encouraging as many children as possible to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge. There is information at the end of the newsletter. Every child who takes part will receive a prize from the school in the Autumn term. If you require any further information, please contact Miss Lane at school who will be happy to help.

Finally, I have had some emails from residents from the streets surrounding the school concerning parking and speeds along Elmsfield avenue. Please can all parents and carers take care when driving and parking on the roads around school. Safety is all of our responsibilities.

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 99.2% Super!



P.E. Kit / Bags for September

A number of parents have contacted the school office regarding P.E. kit for September. Children will continue to come to school dressed in their Games kit for P.E. days, which consists of trainers, plain black joggers, plain white t-shirt and, for cold days, plain black hoodie or school jumper. Children are asked to leave, in their class cloakroom, a draw-string bag with pumps in for gymnastics lessons. Due to this bag being left in school, there is no room in cloakrooms for big rucksacks. Please send your child in with a small book bag for reading books and homework. Please ensure all uniform and kit is clearly labelled with your child's name. Thank you for your support with these matters.

Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who supported the book fair last week. Over £1300 was taken in sales, which means the school will receive around £780 worth of books for classrooms. Miss Lane and Mrs Cadogan are already putting an order together!

Sunshine Awards

Congratulations to Finley and Aahil who are this year's deserving recipients of the school's Sunshine Awards. Their awards were presented in special assemblies this week in front of their families. We are extremely proud of you both.

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!

Nursery: Beauden	5W: Ayaan
R1: Yusuf & Haniya	5M: Isaac
R2: Hollie	6W: Mason
1W: Layla	6M: Max
1M: Oliver	
2W: Theo	Mrs Cadogan: Amelia
2M: Fatima	& Eddie
3W: Musa	
3M: Azeem	
4W: Sophia	
4M: Aleeza	

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: Beauden, Mirha, Lucy, Grace, Thomas, Ismail, Amelia, Maryam, Cecilia & Aahil.

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



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School Council News

Councillors met on Tuesday to complete posters about encouraging good attendance and to order glockenspiels for the school with the money they have raised this year.



Summer Break

School will close for the summer break on Thursday 20st July. School will re-open on Wednesday 6th September. We wish all our families a restful break. Happy holidays!

School Reports

Your child's end of year report will have been sent home with them today (13th July). Please remember to send the parent comment slip back into school with your child. Thank you for your support with this - your comments are important to us.



Dojo Winners

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

Nursery: Laitham	4M: Aila
R1: Rosie	5W: Zara
R2: Yousaf & Remi	5M: Saima
1W: Raees	6W: Usman
1M: Thea	6M: Hasan
2W: Arthur	
2M: Grace	
3W: Adam	
3M: Isabelle	
4W: Amaad	

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.



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 latest fundraising.

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



This year's Summer Reading challenge began on Saturday 8th July. All pupils who complete the challenge during the summer holidays and show their certificate to their class teacher in September will receive a prize from school. You can sign up for the challenge online or at your local library. Information about the challenge that we have received from Norden library is below. Good luck!

The Summer Reading Challenge for this year started on Saturday 8 July 2023.

Norden Library will put all finishers of the Summer Reading Challenge into a prize draw to win a range of prizes.

How can children take part in the Challenge?

The Summer Reading Challenge is a flexible programme that is designed for all levels of ability.

At the Library	Online
Child will visit their local library and sign up to the Challenge for free. They receive their Ready, Set, Read! core pack folder.	Sign up at summerreadingchallenge.org.uk .
They set a personal reading goal for the summer.	Set a personal reading goal for the summer. Receive book recommendations and tips for accessing books for free at home
Borrow and read books, eBooks, and audiobooks of their choice. They can read anything they like: fiction, fact books, poetry, joke books, picture books, graphic novels, audiobooks...	Each time they finish a book, the child adds it to their online profile and leaves a review.
Collect special incentives from the library each time they finish a book.	They unlock digital badges and online rewards along the way.
Receive a certificate and Frisbee for taking part, or for reaching their Challenge goal.	Unlock a certificate for reaching their Challenge goal.
In addition, libraries offer a wide variety of events and activities for families throughout the summer. Start and finish the challenge at Norden library and get put into a prize draw.	Children can also play games, enter competitions, share book recommendations and more on the free, safe moderated platform

Bamford Chapel
& Norden United Reformed Church



Loving God, Serving Others,
Building Community

Messy
CHURCH

outdoors!

ALL
ARE
WELCOME

all staff are DBS certified
first aid and defib on site
parents/carers must attend
with their children

parachute
games

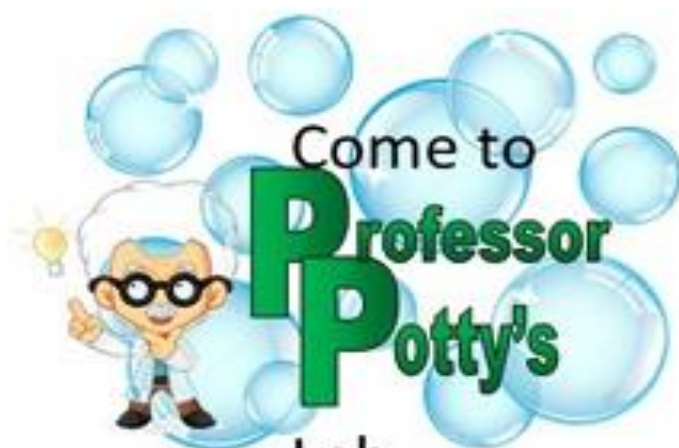
FUN



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Sunday 16 July 2 – 4 pm

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Come to

Professor
P
Potty's

Lab

children

Menu



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