

Whittaker Moss Primary School Newsletter 12



We have had a lovely week sharing some amazing poetry composed by the children after last week's visit from Andy Tooze. Thank you to all of the parents and children who stayed to meet him after school and for purchasing a poetry book from him.

This week we welcome our friends from St Paul's church who will be delivering an advent assembly and making Christingles with Reception children. The School Council have organised their Christmas trolley which is coming around classrooms raising money for new playground equipment as requested to class councillors. It is always very popular and we thank you for your support in helping our children in their fundraising efforts (we also apologise for the volume of 'collectibles' that children are so desperate to bring home and quite frequently get stuck up your hoovers!).

Next week children from Years 1-6 who attend our Musical Theatre club will be performing at Broadfield school in the Christmas musical showcase. Unfortunately, this is an inter-school event only but there will be lots of pictures taken and shared with parents. A big thank you to Miss Buckley who has given up her own time to work with the children and produce a fantastic piece of work to share. This Saturday, the group, along with our school choir, will also be performing at the Norden Christmas lights switch on in the village. Our Deputy Children's Champion for Rochdale, Ayaan, has assisted in the Christmas light switch on for Rochdale this week and has had an opportunity to be one of the first to have a sneak preview of the works in the town hall. Well done Ayaan, we are super proud of you!

We have a busy and exciting few weeks lined up. Please remember to keep checking the date section of the newsletter as dates get finalised and added to the list.

Many Thanks

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Backhouse

Attendance

Whole School Target: 97%

Whole School Average Attendance to Date: 96.3%

This week's winning class: 4M 99.7% Super!



School Council Christmas Trolley

Back by popular demand, the School Council Christmas Trolley will be wheeled out next week. Children can purchase Christmas themed toys and stationery items priced between 50p and £2 from it. Please send your child in with up to £4 if you would like them to purchase any items from it. Class days are detailed below:

Friday 1st December: All children who forgot earlier in the week.

Monday 4th December: Nursery & Reception

Tuesday 5th December: Years 1 & 2

Wednesday 6th December: Years 3 & 4

Thursday 7th December: Years 5 & 6

Friday 8th December: Last chance day - all year groups

All monies raised by this event will go towards the purchase of new playground equipment.

A huge thank you in advance of your support!



As online Christmas shopping begins to commence in earnest, please remember to go through Give as you Live or Amazon Smile as the school PTA receives money for your purchases at no extra cost to you. Please contact the PTA if you would like more information about the schemes if you haven't already signed up to them.

Before and after school clubs will finish on Friday 8th December until after the Christmas break apart from the Units of Sound group. We will send out a new club booking form early in the new year for the Spring term clubs. If your child is on a waiting list, they will automatically receive a place in the club of their choice.



R1: Rory	5W: Oliver
R2: Harry	5M: Oliver
1W: Henry	6W: Aisha
1M: Hira	6M: George
2W: Hawa	
2M: Hibah	
3W: Safaa	
3M: Betsy	
4W: Zayd	
4M: Azka	

PTA News

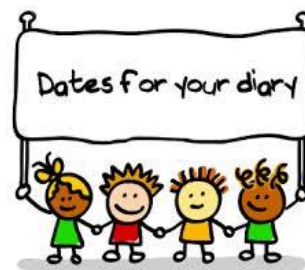
Thank you to everyone who supported our uniform sale and tuck shop last Friday after school.

On Monday 11th December, the PTA will be holding a Christmas Event Day in school. There are lots of surprises in store and more details will follow in next week's newsletter.



Dates for the Diary Autumn 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 1 st December 2023	Advent Assemblies
Monday 11 th December 2023	PTA Christmas Event Day in school
Tuesday 12 th December 2023	Reception Christmas Concert 9.30am
Wednesday 13 th December 2023	Year 1 Christmas Concert 9.30am (please note change of date)
Thursday 14 th December 2023	Year 2 Christmas Concert 9.30am (please note change of date)
Friday 15 th December 2023	Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day
Monday 18 th December 2023	Christmas Assemblies with Rev. Margaret Smith
Tuesday 19 th December 2023	Nursery Christmas Concert 10am
Tuesday 19 th December 2023	KS2 Christmas Carol Service St Paul's Church 10am
Wednesday 20 th December 2023	Whole School Christmas Party Day
Thursday 21 st December 2023	Star of the Term Assembly
Thursday 21 st December 2023	Pupils finish for the Christmas break