#### Thursday 8th February 2024

# Whittaker Moss Primary School Newsletter 20

We have completed lots of activities and assemblies this week for Mental Health Week and also Safer Internet Day. These are subjects woven into our core curriculum offer and we cover them often. Please do speak with your child about the work they do in school in these areas and the strategies they already know about. This will help you to help and advise them at home should you have a concern. We are really sad to have heard from one of our service providers this week that they have ceased trading. Well-Being Warriors has been a staple of our well-being provision for many years and have supported many of our pupils and classes. They will be missed! We will start the hunt for an alternative provider but this is likely to take some time so we apologise in advance for the delay to our usual provision.

Car Park update: As I have mentioned before, the recent bad weather has further damaged our car park and now some areas of the surface are a concern. The quotes we have received for repair are far, far outside anything we as a school can afford. We have reached out to both the council and local councillors to ask for their help with this. A big thank you too to Aahil in Year 6 who has written a very powerful and passionate letter about the repairs and also the impact on the school and local community if we have to take it out of use. We are hopeful that a solution can be found and are keeping everything crossed!

There is a forecast for snow later in the week. Just a reminder, we endeavour to stay open at all costs and have only ever closed under extreme circumstances. Unless you receive a text message, email or Facebook update from us then we will be open. We understand travel and traffic can be affected in bad weather and so we understand if children arrive later than usual and this will not affect their attendance. We just want children to arrive in school safely.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Backhouse

#### **Attendance**

Whole School Target: 97%

Whole School Average Attendance to Date: 95.47%

This week's winning class: R1 100% Amazing!



#### PTA Penny Wars



Thank you to everyone who has supported the PTA Penny Wars over the past two weeks. The PTA will announce the winning class shortly. All monies raised will go towards funding special events in school or purchasing resources to enhance the curriculum.



#### World Book Day Thursday 7th March

Our theme for World Book Day this year is 'Bedtime Stories'. Children are invited to come to school dressed in their pyjamas for a donation to Manchester Children's Hospital, the school council's chosen local charity for this year. Children may bring slippers to wear inside but they must have shoes or trainers to wear outside. Children may bring their favourite bedtime story to share on the day.

#### Children's Mental Health Week 5th - 11th Feb.

The theme for this year's Children's Mental Health Week is 'My Voice Matters'. Children have completed activities in class around this theme over the week and on Thursday our school council will lead a wellbeing assembly. Please visit the mental health and wellbeing section of the school website to access a range of resources to support mental health and wellbeing.

#### Online Safety



#### Tuesday 6th February was Safer

**Internet Day**. Children completed activities in school around the theme of inspiring change online.

Please visit the staying safe online section of the parents' area of the school website for access to a wide range of information leaflets for parents about the latest games and platforms that children are accessing online.

#### Stars of The Week

Well done to the following children for winning our Star of the Week Award:

Nursery: Aysha 5W: Idris
R1: Zidane 5M: Eesa
R2: Zac 6W: Ashia
1W: Adeem 6M: Reggie
1M: Eliza Mrs Cadogan: Sophie

2W: Jack 2M: Yusuf 3W: Alisha 3M: Bobby 4W: Amelia 4M: Jessica

#### 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. Congratulations to our winners this week: Olivia, Harrison, Leo, Ayda, Arthur, Eliza, Hannah, Ijaz and George.

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



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#### School Council News

The school council met on Tuesday to finalise their plans for their Children's Mental Health Week assembly. They have also prepared posters to be displayed in classrooms.

#### Eco News

Eco reps met recently to discuss participation in the Duracell Big Battery Hunt and clearing out the planters in the school grounds. More updates to follow.

#### Half-Term Break

School closes for the half-term break on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024. School re-opens on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024. We wish all our families a lovely break.



#### Dojo Winners

Well done to all our dojo points winners

for last week:

Nursery: Nahla 4M: Roxy
R1: Khadijah 5W: Florence
R2: Hattie 5M: Eliza
1W: Hollie 6W: Habib
1M: Ibrahim 6M: Amelia

2W: Pippa 2M: Toby 3W: Jack 3M: Dawood 4W: Jack

### Dates for the Diary Spring Term 2024

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 16 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes for half-term		
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	School re-opens after the half-term break		
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day - Bedtime Story Theme. Dress in		
	pyjamas for donation to Manchester Children's		
	Hospital - School Council Local Charity for 2024		
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening 1		
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening 2		
Friday 22nd March	PTA School Discos 6pm - 7.30pm		
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 9.15am	Year 3/4 Spring performance for Year 3 parents		
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 9.15am	Year 3/4 Spring performance for Year 4 parents		
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 5pm - 6pm	Year 1 Parents' Phonics Meeting		
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter egg and bonnet entries into school		
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 1.45pm	Pupil of the Term Assembly		
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Close for Easter		

NORDEN COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

EBRUARY 2024
MULTI-ACTIVITY

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

FOR 4-11 YEAR OLDS

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 19th, 20th & 21st February 9:00am - 4:00pm

# JOIN US FOR 3 DAYS OF FUNTASTIC SPORTS & ACTIVITIES

TRAMPOLINE & MULTI SPORTS

Exciting sessions packed with fun filled sporting activities, including; trampoline, multi-sports, athletics, uni-hock, new age curling, boccia, tennis and lots more.

COOKERY

Join Danni to learn how to cook healthy and exciting food.

## **PRICES**

Single day £22.00 | 3 days £60.00

BREAKFAST CLUB: 8:15AM - 9:00AM - £3 PER DAY



For more information, please contact Beth Leicester on 01706 641013 (opt 3) or bleicester@norden.rochdale.sch.uk

All the tutors and coaches are highly qualified and DBS checked working under the leadership of Mrs Leicester, Community Business Officer. Safeguarding and first aid procedures are in place



# FEBRUARY 2024 MULTI-ACTIVITY

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# **Application Form**

### Please circle your preferred dates Monday 19th | Tuesday 20th | Wednesday 21st February 2024

Our February half term multi activities is **available to children from any primary school**. All children will have the opportunity to participate in trampolining, multi sports and cookery each day however, each itemised activity/sport may not be available every day

Child's Name	School	Year	
School			
Parent/Carer's Name			
Emergency Contact Number			
Does Your child have any special needs? Yes   No			
If yes please provide information			
Breakfast Club, please circle which days you would like	Mon19th Tue	s 20th	Wed21st

### Please provide your child with a packed lunch, drinks and snack as there are no catering facilities available



Payment details £22.00 per day £60.00 for 3 days Breakfast Club £3

All sessions can be booked via our parentmail booking system (parentmail>payments>shop) or you can return this application form to Norden Community Primary School with your payment of cash, childcare vouchers, bank transfer, card or cheque (made payable to Norden CPS)

Healthy breakfast included.

Activities include: wake-up shake-up session

Every child will be able to access cookery and a sporting activity each day.

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