



# Whittaker Moss Primary School

## Nursery Newsletter



### Summer Term 1 2024

## Sunshine and Sunflowers



This seasonal project provides opportunities for outdoor learning and teaches children how to care for the plants and animals in their local environment and how to stay safe in the sun.

#### Supporting your child at home

- Grow some quick growing plants together, such as salad leaves, radishes or cress.
- Plan and go on a picnic.
- Go on a local walk and talk about the changes that have happened to living things throughout the year.
- Share and discuss the [Did you know?](#) resource.

Maths	Number; Numerical patterns
PD	Gross motor skills; Fine motor skills
PSED	Self-regulation; Managing self; Building relationships
World	People, culture and communities; The natural world
Exp A&D	Creating with materials; Being imaginative and expressive
CL	Listening, attention and understanding; Speaking
Literacy	Comprehension; Word reading; Writing
Memorable experience	Outside explorers
Innovate challenge	Planning a picnic

By Cornerstones



## Messages

### Morning Activities

Every morning (from 8:45am—9am). Parents/carers are welcome to join their child/children in Nursery to help them settle in (stay and play) and enjoy different activities with them in the classroom. This is also a great opportunity to speak to the class teacher/ teaching assistant about Nursery and have a look at your child's classroom.

### Water bottles, Bookbags and School Uniform

In Nursery the children have access to water all day. School water bottles can be bought from the school office or you can bring a water bottle from home. If you wish to buy a school book bag or uniform (optional) these can be bought from Moses and Ziggys in Rochdale. You can also order online with Ziggys-

<https://ziggysschoolwearrochdale.co.uk>.

Bookbags are very useful for sending home important letters and the children's work.

-If you scroll down, click - shop by school, then primary schools, then Whittaker Moss you will find what you need. The children do not need a PE kit for nursery as we have physical development embedded throughout our curriculum so we develop these skills daily. **You may wish to buy a P.E bag for your child's spare clothes.**

### Nursery Entrances

We use two entrances to drop off and pick up at nursery. Please see the times below.

**Nursery Entrance** -Morning drop off at 8:45am and afternoon pick up at 3:45pm.

**School Main Entrance**- Morning pick up at 11:45am, Lunch time drop off at 11:30am (for lunch) or 12:45pm for the afternoon session and afternoon pick up at 2:45pm.

The school main entrance is also used to drop off and pick up for dragons den (our before and after school club). The door to dragons den is located to the left inside the main entrance.

### Nursery Rewards

Every week we celebrate the children's work and achievements during our 'Celebration time'. Children's photos will be displayed on the proud wall if they win a certificate and we will choose class helpers every day to help us around the classroom. Children receive certificates for being Nursery Superstars (achieved for being an independent learner and applying their skills around the classroom), Star of the Week (whole school reward) and for being the Dojo winner (whole school reward). The staff at lunch time also choose a lunchtime superstar for the week.



### Dojo Points



Nursery will be joining the rest of the school and collecting dojo points throughout the week. The child who receives the most dojo points each week will receive a certificate. There are many ways to achieve dojo points including; sharing, working hard, trying your best, being a good friend, listening on the carpet, helping others and many more ways.

## Donations to Nursery's extra-curricular activities

It would be very much appreciated if you could give your extra-curricular donations to the school office on a termly basis. The money will contribute towards a range of activities including baking and festival food. There is an in depth list on the letter in your nursery pack. A suggested donation would be £8.00 each term or £24.00 for the year. We would be grateful if donations could be paid on the first day of each term in September, January and April. This can be paid at the school office.

## Clothing donations

If anyone has any spare clothes that are too small for your children and you would like to donate them to nursery they would be greatly received. We are particularly short of spare leggings/trousers, shoes and socks.

## Spare clothes

Please can you send your child to Nursery with a bag of spare clothes, including socks, in case your child needs changing due to a toileting accident, playing in the messy play or through playing outdoors. This can be left in Nursery on your child's peg. This can be any bag including a school P.E bag if you wish.

Thank you.

## School Website


Have a look at our class pages on the school website to see the children learning and for resources.

[www.whittakermoss.rochdale.sch.uk](http://www.whittakermoss.rochdale.sch.uk)

## Tapestry

Please log in to Tapestry to see your child learning. Please feel free to comment and 'like' on tapestry as well as share any observations from home.

We regularly share observations from home with the children in Nursery and they love explaining and recounting their experiences from home.

Dates for the Diary Summer 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, including trips for classes that are still being organised. Please contact school if you have any queries relating to dates of events or holidays.	
	
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	School re-opens after the Easter break
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Emma's Crazy Creatures Visit to Reception
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Year 3 Walk to Greenbooth
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Eid Party Day - children may come in own clothes
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 9.15am	PTA Eid Coffee Morning - see flyer below
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Class 2M Trip to Samlesbury Hall
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Class 2W Trip to Samlesbury Hall
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Clubs recommence
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Year 6 Parents Residential Meeting 5.30pm
13 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	Year 6 SATs week
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2024 5.30pm	New Reception Parents' Evening
10 <sup>th</sup> - 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Year 4 Times Table Test
10 <sup>th</sup> - 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Year 1 Phonics Screening Test
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2024	Year 3 Trip to Ribchester
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Year 1 Trip to Fire Station
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Year 1 Trip to Fire Station
24 <sup>th</sup> June - 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	New Nursery Children Stay & Play Sessions
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Year 6 Magistrates' Competition
1 <sup>st</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Health and Fitness Week
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024	Whole School Transition Day
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024	Reception visits with parents
8 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Scholastic Book Fair
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 9.30am	Year 5/6 Performance for Year 5 Parents
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 9.30am	Year 5/6 Performance for Year 6 Parents
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	School Council Dress As Role Model - fundraiser for Dogs' Trust
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 6.30pm	Year 6 Leavers' Party
15 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	New Reception Visits Without Parents
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	School reports sent out
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 9.15am	Star of the Year Assembly
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 2.30pm	Childer Assembly
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Year 6 Residential to Mount Cook
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024	KS1 and KS2 Sunshine Award Assemblies
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2024 9.15am	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2024	School closes for the summer break