

Whittaker Moss Primary School Newsletter 37

Thursday 4th July 2024

Attendance

Whole School Target: 97%

Whole School Average Attendance to Date:
95.77%

This week's winning class: 5M 98.2%. Great!



The biggest of congratulations this week go out to our Year 6 Magistrates team who have taken part in a mock trial event against other schools from Greater Manchester. To say they were magnificent is an understatement! They defended a mock case, covering all roles from defence barrister to witness and were so convincing that when it came to the summing up, even the opposing prosecuting team agreed the 'defendant' should be found innocent. So much work went into the preparation, both from the children and Mrs Cadogan. However, it has been Mrs Beswick who has really put her heart and soul into working with the children. They were determined to win and they did it. A big thank you too to Mr Ghulam Rasul Shahzad OBE JP who has been our link magistrate for the last 8 years and who gives so much of his time not only to our pupils, but to the children of Rochdale.

Well done also to our school rugby team who played an impressive match against Bowlee Park on Monday. Many had never played in the team before and made a great debut. They have used all of the skills they have been practicing in their extra-curricular club which is run in affiliation with Rochdale Rugby Club.

On Tuesday, all children had the opportunity to spend the day in their new classes and to meet the teacher and adults they will be working with next year. Lots of enthusiastic, happy smiling faces. All children should have come home with information about next year, if they haven't then please let your child's current teacher know and they will make sure it comes home. Children who will be joining us in reception have also made their first visits. There were some tears on the way out as many of them didn't want to leave!

This week all classes are participating in our Health & Fitness week. Holding events and visitors across the week really works for us as it allows us to be flexible which we have certainly needed to be this week due to the weather. Children have completed disability football sessions with Azeem Azir and also Jag Tag sessions as part of their additional activities over the week.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend ahead.

Mrs Backhouse

Whole School Transition Day

Tuesday was our whole school transition day. Children got the chance to spend the day in their new classrooms with the adults who will be working with them from September. Please check that your child has come home with a transition booklet containing important information for the next academic year. Please speak to your child's class teacher if they have not come home with a booklet.

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 ruc-sacs. 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.



Magistrates' Competition

Huge congratulations go to our victorious Year 6 team who beat fifteen other schools from across Greater Manchester to win the Greater Manchester Magistrates' Mock Trial Competition. Pictures of the event can be found on the school website.

Dress As Your Role Model Day

The school council invites everyone to dress as their role model on **Friday 12th July**. If you are able, please send your child in with a donation on this day. All donations received will go to Dogs' Trust, the school council's chosen national charity this year. Role models could be family members, authors, sports stars, scientists - the choice is endless! Please support the school council if you can in their fundraising efforts for this worthwhile charity.

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: Florence	5W: Ismail
R1: Idrees	5M: Aila
R2: Evie	6W: Zakir
1W: Arnie	6M: Yahya
1M: Ameliya	
2W: Layla	Mrs Cadogan: Bonnie
2M: Toby	
3W: Zak	
3M: Noah	
4W: Aiza	
4M: Isabelle	

Lunchtime Stars Golf Vouchers

We will be awarding up to 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. The winners for last week are: Toby, Maryam, Finley, Ava, Finley, Thomas, Ismail and Ruby. Well done!

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



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School Council News

Councillors held a network meeting for other local schools this week. They successfully retained their platinum status by presenting their campaign around mental health and wellbeing at this event. Well done for all your hard work!

Scholastic Book Fair

This will take place between the 8th and 12th 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:

Monday 8th July: Nursery, R1, R2

Tuesday 9th July: 1W, 1M, 2W, 2M

Wednesday 10th July: 3W, 3M, 4W, 4M

Thursday 11th July: 5W, 5M, 6W, 6M

Friday 12th July: All classes last chance

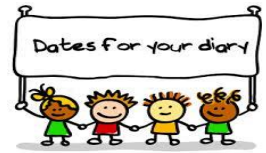


Dojo Winners

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

Nursery: Jessica	4M: Gabriel
R1: Lottie	5W: Yousaf
R2: Charlie	5M: Harry
1W: Reuben	6W: Eliza
1M: Anisah & Xander	6M: Lilli
2W: Pearl	
2M: Scarlett	
3W: Harry	
3M: Ethan	
4W: Is'Haq	

Dates for the Diary Summer Term 2024



24 th June - 5 th July 2024	New Nursery Children Stay & Play Sessions
1 st - 5 th July 2024	Health and Fitness Week
Tuesday 2 nd July 2024	Whole School Transition Day
Tuesday 2 nd July 2024	Reception visits with parents
8 th - 12 th July 2024	Scholastic Book Fair
Monday 8 th July 2023 9.30am	Year 5/6 Performance for Year 5 Parents
Tuesday 9 th July 2023 9.30am	Year 5/6 Performance for Year 6 Parents
Friday 12 th July 2024	School Council Dress As Role Model - fundraiser for Dogs' Trust
Friday 12 th July 2024 6.30pm	Year 6 Leavers' Party
15 th - 19 th July 2024	New Reception Visits Without Parents
Tuesday 16 th July 2024	School reports sent out
Tuesday 16 th July 2024 9.15am	Star of the Year Assembly
Tuesday 16 th July 2024 2.30pm	Childer Assembly
Wednesday 17 th - Friday 19 th July 2024	Year 6 Residential to Mount Cook
Monday 22 nd July 2024	KS1 and KS2 Sunshine Award Assemblies
Tuesday 23 rd July 2024 9.15am	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Tuesday 23 rd July 2024	School closes for the summer break

Design a Library Card Competition

We need a new design for a children's library card, and we'd love your help! We'd like our new design to be as exciting as possible.



Think about how visiting the library makes you feel, and why you think more children should join.

Pick up an entry form from any Rochdale Borough Library or ask your teacher for one.



Hand your completed entry in to any library in the borough by 14th September 2024.