

Thursday 27th February 2025

# Whittaker Moss Primary School Newsletter 22

Welcome back!

We have a busy half term ahead of us and the children have come back to school full of energy and ready to learn. This week we have sent out the link to book upcoming parents' evenings in March. Please follow the guide on the letters sent home to book your appointment. Mrs Cadogan has set some time aside this week to meet with parents directly, for those who need help to book on. Please take advantage of this if needed as Mrs Cadogan's availability is limited and she may not be able to book appointments outside of this time.

Also, a quick reminder for those children who wish to fast during the holy month of Ramadan, please send in the parental permission slips this week so we can make arrangements to support the children as fasting starts next week.

Following the success and positive feedback of our autumn term parents Christmas craft afternoons, this term we will be holding parent Spring art afternoons in classes. Please check the dates at the end of the letter for more details. The parents' afternoon in the summer term will be sports focused and will be part of our annual fun and fitness week in school so start limbering up!

Well done to the Year 4 children who represented the school this week playing pickleball. This is a new sport for us but one which is growing in popularity. The children are really enjoying the varied events on offer via the RUSC games partnership and it is lovely to see a much wider spread of year groups participating.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Backhouse



**Interesting Fact:**

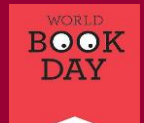
**Team H-A-P** is the language we use to describe the three areas of our brain: the hippocampus, amygdala and the pre-frontal cortex.

## Attendance

Whole School Target: 97%

Whole School Average Attendance to Date:  
96.16%

This week's winning class: 2W 99.7% Brilliant!



## World Book Day Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March

Our theme for World Book Day this year is 'My Story' Children are invited to come to school dressed in an outfit that celebrates them. It could be the kit they wear for the local sports team they play for or it could be an outfit to highlight a hobby or interest. We just request that children wear sensible footwear.



## Marie Curie Daffodils

Throughout the month of March, the school council will be selling Marie Curie daffodils. If you would like your child to purchase one in aid of this worthwhile charity, please send a £1 donation in to school with them. At Whittaker Moss, we are proud to support many different charities, and we thank parents for their continued generosity.

## Medicines

Whilst we are happy to administer Calpol to children if they become ill during the school day, please remember to send your child in with medicine if you know they are going to require it. Medicine will need to be left at the school office with a completed medicine form. Thank you.

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February was Safer Internet Day.



Children completed activities in school around the theme of protecting themselves and others from scams 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: Hunter	5W: Lucas
R1: Toby	5M: Aiza
R2: Mia	6W: Elsie
1W: Grace	6M: Oliver
1M: Isaac	Mrs Cadogan: Eliza and Freya
2W: Alf	
2M: Yusuf	
3W: Ezaan	
3M: Pippa	
4W: Zainab	
4M: Annum	

### Lunchtime Stars

Unfortunately, we can no longer award lunchtime stars golf vouchers due to Rochdale Putt Stars being taken over by Hollywood Bowl. Pupils who received our new Lunchtime Stars Certificates before half-term were: Liyana, Jamal, Eva, Imogen, Libby, Aisha, Evie, Rubens and Caleb.

Well done to them!



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### School Council News

The school council met on Thursday to finalise plans for their network event which they will host for other local schools next week. They hope to share their online safety leaflet at this event and take feedback.

### Parents' Evenings

Spring Term Parents' Evenings will take place on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March. A letter has gone home explaining how to book an appointment. Please only book one time slot per child.



### PTA Penny Wars

Thank you to everyone who supported the PTA Penny Wars before half-term. The winning class was 6W. Well done to them! The final total raised by the event was an impressive £864.50.



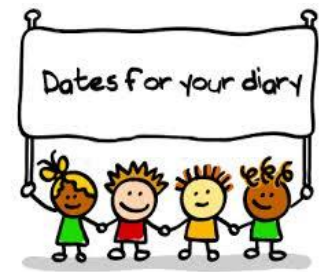
### Dojo Winners

Well done to all our dojo points winners for the week before the holidays:

Nursery: Poppy	4M: Oscar
R1: Willow	5W: Hamza
R2: Bella	5M: Ukasha
1W: Aleena	6W: James
1M: Thomas	6M: Liberty
2W: Rosie	
2M: Finley	
3W: Jackson	
3M: Knoah	
4W: Oscar	

## Dates for the Diary Spring Term 2025

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.



Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Year 3 Local Walk - Norden and Greenbooth (Please note change of date)
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Trip to Liverpool World Museum
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Whittaker Moss celebrates World Book Day. Theme - My Story. Dress in something to celebrate you.
W/C 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Science Week
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening 1
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening 2
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Wonder Dome (inflatable planetarium) in school
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Comic Relief Day: non-uniform
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Years 3/4 Parent & Child Spring Art Afternoon
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Years 1/2 Parent & Child Spring Art Afternoon
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 5 - 6pm	Year 1 Parents' Phonics Meeting
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Nursery & Reception Parent & Child Spring Art Afternoon
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Years 5/6 Parent & Child Spring Art Afternoon
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Easter egg and bonnet entries into school
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Eid Party Day (Date added)
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 9.30am - 11.00am	Year 3/4 Spring performance for Year 3 parents (Please note change of date)
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 9.30am - 11.00am	Year 3/4 Spring performance for Year 4 parents (Please note change of date)
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 1.30pm	Pupil of the Term Assembly
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Close for Easter Break