

Thursday 13th November 2025

Whittaker Moss Primary School Newsletter 10



A massive well done to our Year 5 Dodgeball team who competed at Greenbank this week as part of the RUSC Schools games collaborative. They played really well together and came away with Bronze medals. Well done team!

We started the week with our whole school remembrance assemblies with Chaplain Margaret Smith followed by KS1 attending a service at the Cenotaph on Tuesday whilst the rest of the school completed acts of remembrance at school. All of the children were exceptionally behaved and very thoughtful and contemplative in their reflections, showing great empathy and compassion. I am always impressed and very proud of how our children engage with the world and communities around them, their mindful and caring thoughts and actions and also their own sense of what is right. They couldn't have demonstrated it better than they have this week. We all have a lot to be proud of.

Mrs Cadogan's school book fair is in full swing! Thank you to everyone who has sent money in to purchase books for home. School receives commission on every sale which we are able to spend on quality reading materials for the school. We would very much like to refresh our school library books so any money we can raise is a welcome bonus and means more books for the children of the school.

Lastly, thank you to everyone who attended parents' evenings this week, whether it was in person or virtually. Attendance was very high and it is always nice to see so many proud parents with smiling faces. There is a QR code on the bottom of the target sheets you received for your children. It will take you to a Parents' survey for the school. If you wouldn't mind spending a few minutes giving us your feedback we would really appreciate it.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend
Mrs Backhouse.

Attendance

Whole School Target: 97%

Whole School Average Attendance to Date: 96.5%

This week's winning class: 2M 98.3% Great!



Poppy Appeal

The school council would like to thank everyone who has supported the Poppy Appeal over the last few weeks by purchasing poppies and poppy-themed items. They have been amazed by your generosity.

Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who has supported the book fair this week. School will receive 60% commission in books that will be used across school and to replenish the school library.



Children In Need Friday 14th November 2025

Children may come in non-uniform (spots if they wish!) on Friday 14th November 2025 for a small donation for Children in Need. As this is a large national charity event, you are able to make a donation through your ParentPay account.

Remembrance Assemblies

Thank you to Rochdale Chaplain, Rev. Margaret, for coming into school to lead our Remembrance Assemblies on Monday.

Anti-Bullying Week

This week is anti-bullying week. This year's theme is 'Power for Good' to encourage and empower children to speak up against bullying. Children will be completing activities around this theme in class during the week.

Stars of The Week

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

Nursery: Kaira	5M: Adam
R1: Elliot	6W: Isabelle
R2: Roman	6M: Eiliyah
1M: Willow	Mrs Cadogan: Alf
1M: Ada	
2W: Robyn	
2M: Ni'mat	
3W: Marwah	
3M: Finley	
4W: Skye	
4M: Zaki	
5W: Daniyal	



Lunchtime Stars

These certificates are awarded to pupils who display excellent manners and behaviour during lunchtimes. Pupils who received our Lunchtime Stars Certificates last week were: Oliver, Hunter, Aiyla, Grayson, Marwah, Scarlet, Kiswa, Elizabeth and Archie.

Well done to them!



Open Evening Wednesday 19th November 5.30pm

Our open evening for prospective parents of children due to start school in September 2026 will take place next Wednesday at 5.30pm. Please come along and find out more about the school.

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School Council / Eco Council

School council members met this week to discuss the success of the Poppy Appeal, the upcoming Christmas trolley and ideas for an Online Safety campaign.

Parents' Evenings

Thank you to all parents who attended this week. Please remember to complete the parent survey by scanning the QR code on your child's target sheet.

Uniform Reminder

Please remember that only plain, small studs should be worn in ears for school. Ear-rings must be taken out for P.E. lessons or medical tape worn if ears are recently pierced. Watches that have cameras are not allowed in school for safeguarding reasons.



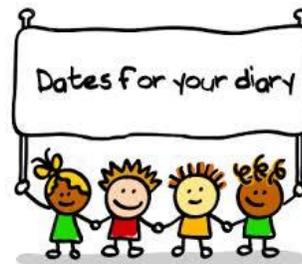
Dojo Winners

Well done to all our dojo points winners for last week.

Nursery: Emilia	
R1: Ibrahim	5W: Eesa
R2: Hayat	5M: Evie
1W: Alice	6W: Jordan
1M: Zahlie	6M: Poppy
2W: Grayson & Alice	
2M: Harry	
3W: Sonny	
3M: Liyana	
4W: Nathan	
4M: Jack	

Dates for the Diary Autumn 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.



Thursday 13 th November 2025	Year 2 Opera Session In Class
Thursday 13 th November 2025	Year 4 Dodgeball Competition
Friday 14 th November 2025	Children in Need - non-uniform, small donation, please.
Wednesday 19 th November 2025	Prospective New Parents' Evening 5.30pm
Wednesday 19 th November 2025	Year 3 Dodgeball Tournament
Friday 21 st November 2025	Year 5 Jodrell Bank Trip
Tuesday 25 th November 2025	Open morning for prospective Reception parents 9.30am
Tuesday 25 th November 2025	Year 3 Ten Pin Bowling Competition
Wednesday 26 th November 2025	Open morning for prospective Reception parents 9.30am
Tuesday 2 nd December 2025	Advent Assemblies
Wednesday 3 rd December 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Years 5/6 Christmas Craft Afternoon
Thursday 4 th December 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Years 3/4 Christmas Craft Afternoon
Thursday 4 th December	Year 4 Ten Pin Bowling Competition
Friday 5 th December 2.30pm - 3.30pm	EYFS Christmas Craft Afternoon
Monday 8 th December 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Years 1/2 Christmas Craft Afternoon
Monday 8 th December	Year 5 Ten Pin Bowling Competition
Tuesday 9 th December 9.30am - 10.30am	EYFS Christmas Performance
Wednesday 10 th December 9.30am - 10.30am	Year 2 Christmas Performance
Wednesday 10 th December	Mixed Age Ten Pin Bowling Competition
Thursday 11 th December 9.30am - 10.30am	Year 1 Christmas Performance
Friday 12 th December 10am - 11am	Nursery Christmas Performance
Friday 12 th December 10am - 11am	KS2 Christmas Carol Service St. Paul's Church
Tuesday 16 th December	Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas Party Day
Thursday 18 th December	Star of the Term Assembly
Friday 19 th December	School Closes for the Christmas Break