



8th May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers.

We hope that our families and children are trying to keep as positive as possible. Again just to reiterate from our last newsletter you are doing a great job staying safe at home and continuing with learning. It has been wonderful to hear how much our children and their families look forward to the phone calls from teachers at school. We understand how much our children are missing their friends and being in school and these calls do help and support everyone.

There is talk and speculation in the media about the reopening of schools, I wish to reassure all our families that as soon as clear guidance is released from the government and the Local Authority we will let you know.

The Great Science Share

It's been a whirlwind since lockdown and with your support we've moved the 2020 Great Science Share for Schools online – it's had lots of benefits already:

- more people registering each day
- wider scope of audiences, including parents
- new content and resources
- new collaborations

Today the weekly themes and the Great Science Groove-along have gone live. They anticipate young people will share questions via a new upload facility, Twitter, and Facebook, culminating in the campaigns' day's big day of $\underline{16^{th} June}$.







Oldham Libraries Information

You can join the library on-line today for instant access to ebooks, audiobooks and magazines for children. Oldham Libraries maybe shut but children and adults can still get all of these FREE straight to a phone, laptop or tablet. As well as websites that can help with learning from home. Join on-line today for instant download, you will get a temporary borrower ID:

http://tiny.cc/jointhelibrary

Login and from your account you can search the catalogue, and browse and download books using the library webpage. Also listen to to stories on-line and be part of Oldham's brand new story festival. This launches on Monday the 11th of May 2020, visit;

www.oldhamtheatreworkshop.co.uk/story-festival

School Assemblies

Assemblies are an important part of our school and we have many visitors where we learn about personal, social, health education. As these can sadly not take place at this time children and their families still have the opportunity to come together and hear from some inspirational guest speakers, and to think and talk about wider things affecting us. Please visit;

https://www.thenational.academy/assembly

VE DAY - 75th Anniversary

Despite the unusual circumstances we find ourselves in, it's important not to let this day go unnoticed. On the 7th of May 1945, Germany's armed forces surrendered and as a result, this signalled the end of the war in Europe. It was then announced that the 8th of May would be known as VE Day - a national holiday to celebrate this significant day. To find out more about local and national events and activities taking place please visit;



www.oldham.gov.uk/ve75

'The world must know what happened, and never forget.'

Competition - Voices of Hope

Saddleworth School needs your help in capturing the hope and community spirit during these difficult times. If you wish to enter the competition all you have to do is capture a moment about how you are feeling at this time. It could be something which celebrates family, friends or our frontline workers or it could focus on how different our lives currently are. Entries can be in the form of a drawing, painting, musical video, sculpture, poem, diary entry.

Entries can be emailed to Mrs Briggs at c.briggs@saddleworthschool.org or sent FAO Mrs Briggs, Saddleworth School, High Street, Uppermill, Saddleworth, Oldham, OL3 6BU

Please include a title and a description based upon what inspired you to create it and why you have chosen this title.

You may find the sentence starters below helpful:

The title I chose is...because...

This picture is all about...





What I like best about my work is...
I hope people will notice...
I like the theme I have been working on because...
My main ideas are...
My inspiration came from...

By submitting your work you are giving permission for your entry to be published and shared on the Dovestone Learning Partnership website.

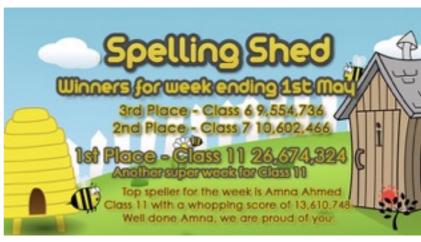
As well as receiving a trophy and prize, all finalists and winners work will be featured in a published booklet available to all entrants. Good Luck Alexandra Park!

WELL DONE

A huge well done to all our children who are trying their best with their learning at home. Just try and do what you can and remember to limit your time online.













Remember Stay Safe and Stay at home and protect the NHS.

We WILL meet again soon!

