

**1st July 2022**

**Dear Parents and Carers,**



### **Transition**

Children enjoyed their transition to their new classes and schools this week. We welcomed the year 2 children and their parents/carers from Glodwick infants which was fantastic. It has been three years since we have been able to do this transition physically. Earlier this week new class teachers were sent out to our families via Class Dojo. We hope to appoint two new teachers to the Alexandra Park Junior School team and will inform families when we have the successful applicants.

### **Spelling Shed winners this week!**

Top spellers who are getting the most points from each class this week will be awarded with 5 dojo points.

Well done if you have been practising lots at home even though we have had transition this week. Year 5 and 6 need to get on spelling shed next week!

Year 3

Class 3 - 'Wallace Catelli' with 3,019,778 points

Year 4

Class 4 - 'Ash Paylor' with 2,161,168 points

Class 6 - Samson Omos with 18,426,992 points



### **TT Rockstars - CELEBRATIONS!**

The most accurate Class	Class 9
The most active class	Class 5
The most improved speed	Ibraheem Shah Class 1
The most active player	Inaaya Noor C8

### **ATTENDANCE**

Well done to classes 1, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 12 for achieving over 96% attendance last week. This is a super rise from the last few weeks.



### **Word Aware**

This week's word is **'Banish.'** Please encourage your child to use this word when out and about and complete the activities, which Miss Varley will share on Class Dojo.

## Reading Challenge

Young readers are invited to get their thinking caps on and take part in this year's free Summer Reading Challenge with Oldham Council's libraries. The event challenges 4 to 11-year-olds to read at least six books during their summer holiday to earn rewards and improve their literary skills. This year's theme is "Gadgeteers", which will hopefully inspire young readers to reach for the stars and explore how science and maths help create brilliant inventions and devices. There are stickers and prizes to collect along the way, and a medal and certificate at the end. And it's all free.

Councillor Elaine Taylor, Deputy Leader of Oldham Council and Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure, said: "This is a great and fun initiative to help young people with their reading – especially while school's out for the summer. The Summer Reading Challenge events are always popular in Oldham, even last year when we had had to organise virtual events due to covid. Children who take on the challenge really benefit, and it shows when they return to school in September. The reading challenge provides a good opportunity for families to explore the range of books available at our popular libraries."

<https://www.oldham.gov.uk/summerreadingchallenge>

Please see attached leaflet.

## Benefits

A new online tool to help people find the benefits and financial support they might be eligible for has been launched. Please see link below for more information,

<https://www.gov.uk/check-benefits-financial-support>

## Holiday Activities & Food activities

This will begin as soon as we finish for the school holidays. HAF is free for children and young people aged 5+ who are eligible for the free school meal benefit (FSM). Those who are not eligible for the FSM benefit can still participate at a small cost. For more information please see link below,

<https://www.oldham.gov.uk/haf>

## Dates, times and places


Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 3.30-4pm  
Werneth Cricket Club, Chamber Road, Oldham, OL8 1AA

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 3.30-4pm  
Gallery Oldham, Greaves Street, Oldham, OL1 1AL.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 3.30-4pm  
Laticzone, OAF, Furtherwood Road, Oldham, OL1 2PA.

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 3.30-4pm  
Failsworth Town Hall, Failsworth, M35 0FJ.





**Summer Reading Challenge 2022**

# **GADGETEERS**

**Join in with this year's  
Summer Reading Challenge  
taking place at all libraries in Oldham  
and Gallery Oldham from**

**Saturday 23 July to  
Saturday 17 September**

