

17th March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Water Safety



Water Safety is part of the national curriculum for England, so local authority-maintained schools must provide swimming and water safety lessons as part of their school programme.

People drown because they have little or no awareness of the dangers of water, misjudge their own swimming ability or unintentionally fall in. Drowning is the third most common cause of accidental death in children, so it is vital that every child has the opportunity to learn survival and self-rescue skills.

This week the children took part in an assembly led by the 'Canal and River Trust.' The resources for this are attached to this newsletter for children to take part in at home with their families.

Remember 'Stay Away From the Edge.'

### Easter Sports Camp - Sports Development

Please see the attached flyers for the upcoming Easter Sports Camp. We have paid for and HAF funded places. Please share with your friends and families.

This Easter we have the following camps:

- Multi Sports Camp @ Radclyffe
- Dance Camp @ Failsworth
- Football Camp @ Failsworth

To book places visit [Holiday Camp Booking | Oldham Community Leisure \(oclactive.co.uk\)](https://www.oclactive.co.uk)

### Food Vouchers to cover the Easter Holidays

You may have read in the local media that Oldham Council has been allocated £2.4m of funding to support vulnerable residents through its Household Support Fund. Some of this funding will be used to cover food voucher support for children eligible for means tested Free School Meals over school holidays.

We want to ensure that those eligible for free school meals on the grounds of low income receive a food voucher to cover the holiday at a rate of £30 per eligible child.

The most effective way of ensuring vulnerable families receive the vouchers that can be used in the Oldham supermarket of their choice is via a third-party online hub – known as WONDE.

WONDE is a data integration company already used by many schools in Oldham who offer a free school meal voucher system. This voucher system has a live link to your school's data, therefore automatically recognises the students who are eligible for Free School Meals. The system should be quick and easy to use and produces the vouchers that can be used in most Oldham supermarkets.

If your child is entitled to income based free school meals, please look out for an email and/or text confirming that your voucher has been issued.

For more information go to: <https://help.evouchers.com/hc/en-gb> This includes a step by step guide of how to access the vouchers (once your school has issued them to you).

If you have any questions, please contact the school office in the first instance.

For any families that are really struggling for food and provisions over the school holiday, please visit the Oldham Council website [www.oldham.gov.uk/wecanhel](http://www.oldham.gov.uk/wecanhel) which lists financial support and benefits that are available for residents.



### Let's get reading - BOOM Reader

*"If you are going to get anywhere in life you have to read a lot of books." - Roald Dahl*

Well done to all the children and families who have logged onto Boom reader. We are pleased to announce the most home reading logs recorded on Boom reader this week.

Position	Name	Reads at home
First Place	Haroon Mohammad Class 6	9 parent home reads
Second place	Zara Yasin Class 5	8 parent home reads
Third Place	Bilal Malik Samokhvalova Class 6	7 parent home reads

### Spelling Shed Winners

Place	Total points awarded for correct spellings	Child
1st	89,533,744	Haroon Mohammed - Class 6
2nd	36,462,432	Zakariyya Bin Jahid - Class 6
3rd	30,668,136	Sayed Shah - Class 6



## TT Rockstars - CELEBRATIONS!

The most accurate Class	Class 9
The most active class	Class 5 and 6
The most improved speed	Iman Ahmed Class 4
The most active player	Abel Lupo Class 4

## Word Aware

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



## Attendance

Well done to classes 2, 3, 7, 8 and 12 for achieving 96% attendance last week.

A reminder that school begins promptly at 8.40am.



## Dates for next week:

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**Monday 20th - Thursday 23rd March 2023** - MOCK SATs week (information has been sent out to parents/carers)

**Monday 20th March** - Book Fair in the hall after school - YR 3

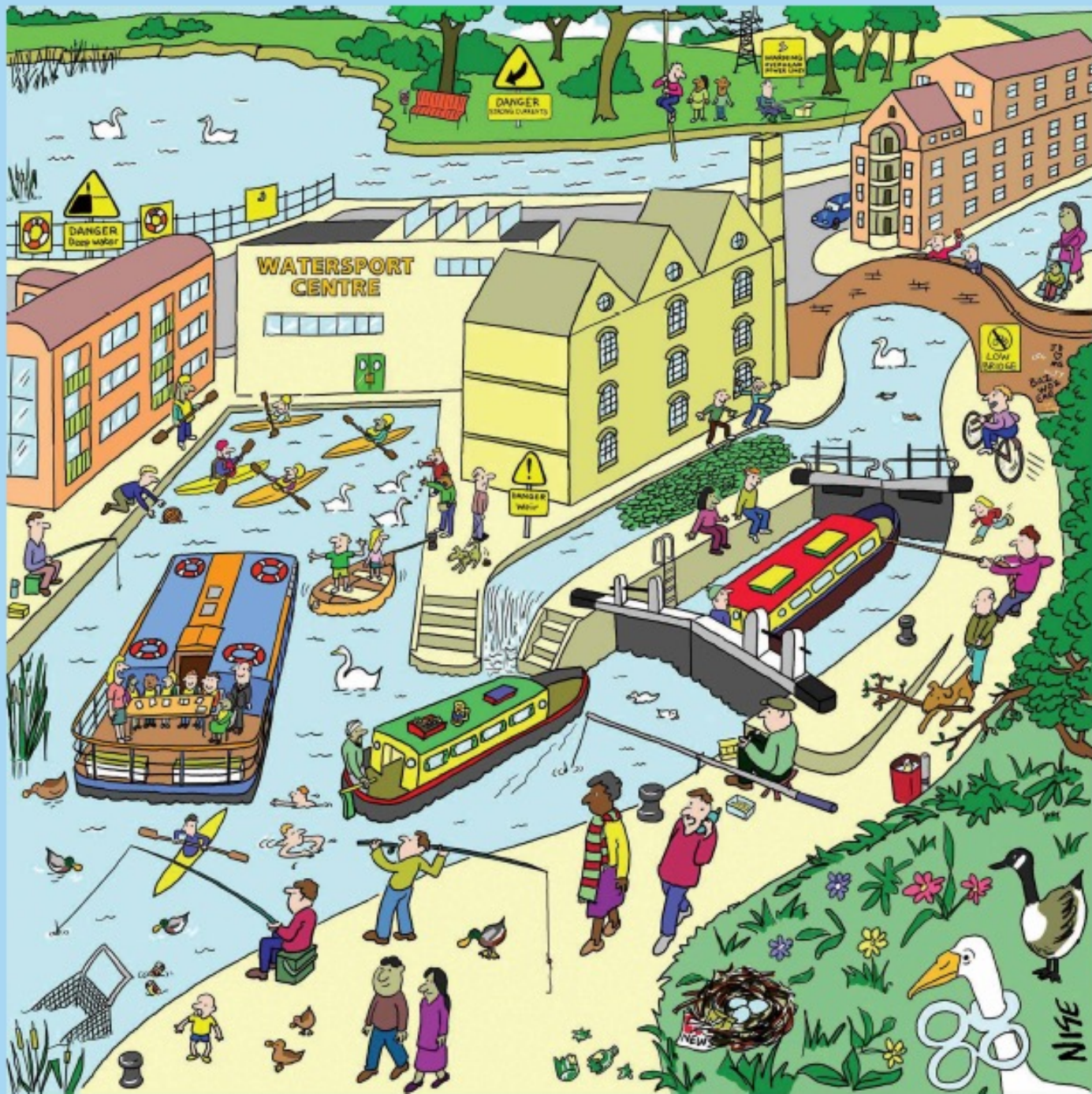
**Tuesday 21st March** - Book Fair in the hall after school - YR 4

**Wednesday 22nd March** - Book Fair in the hall after school - YR 5

**Thursday 23rd March** - Book Fair in the hall after school - YR 6

**Friday 24th March** - Book Fair in the hall after school - Open to all





Can you spot the dangers?

What hazards are there by the water that could injure people or wildlife?  
 Who is doing something dangerous?

**Remember:**

- The water can be very cold.
- The water could have dangerous things at the bottom.
- The water could make you poorly if you swallow it.

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Always remember to stay **SAFE** near water - **Stay Away From the Edge.**



How to help in  
an emergency

What to do if you see  
someone in the water

- Don't go in after them!
- **Shout for help**
- Call 999 and explain what has happened. Give the location by using place names, buildings or a location app such as What 3 Words
- Try not to panic and reassure the person in the water that they'll be alright
- Tell them to float on their back if they can't get out themselves
- Throw them something that floats e.g. life ring, ball, empty bottle

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# SPORTS CAMP

**This Easter Half Term**

**At Radclyffe Athletics Centre &  
Failsworth Sports Centre**

9:00am - 3:30pm

Ages  
**6 - 11**  
Years

£15 Per Day\*

Book your space now by visiting:  
[oclactive.co.uk/holidaycampbooking/](http://oclactive.co.uk/holidaycampbooking/)  
or scan the QR code

Free Places  
Available





## This Easter check out our fantastic Sports Camp at Radclyffe Athletics Centre & Failsworth Sports Centre!

Our fun-filled sports camp sessions are led by our qualified Oldham Active sports team.

The camp is for 6 - 11 year olds. Places are £15 each per day. If you are entitled to HAF free school meals, this camp is free and a free hot meal will be provided.

### Times and Dates

Failsworth Football Camp:

Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th April

Failsworth Dance Camp:

Tuesday 11th - Thursday 13th April

Radclyffe Multi Sports Camp:

Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th April

Tuesday 11th - Friday 14th April.

9:00am - 3:30pm

### How to find us:

Radclyffe Athletics Centre, Hunt Lane,  
Oldham, OL9 0LS

Failsworth Sports Centre, Brierley Avenue,  
Manchester M35 9HA

For more info and to get in contact with us, Email: [sport@ocll.co.uk](mailto:sport@ocll.co.uk)

