

**8th March 2024**

**Dear Parents and Carers,**



### **Choral Speaking Competition**

Classes 3, 4, 8 and 11 attended the 38th Choral Speaking Competition on Wednesday this week at the Queen Elizabethan Hall to perform their poems. We are so pleased to announce that each class consistently achieved an Honours + award which is one below the best, a Distinction!

The event was so well organised by the Rotary Club of Oldham.

A big thank you to all the parents who also attended and they will agree that the children were truly 'OUTSTANDING!'

Thank you to all the teachers involved and a huge congratulations to the children whom we are most proud of! An amazing experience that they will never forget.

### **Reports**

In the next few weeks teachers will be sending out school progress reports for all children. These will be sent via Class Dojo. Parents and Carers are welcome to make an appointment or receive a phonemail from their child's class teacher if they wish to discuss this in more detail. A paper copy of the report can also be requested and can be collected from the school office.



### **Food Vouchers to cover the Easter holiday 2024**

Again we want to ensure that those eligible for free school meals on the grounds of low income receive a food voucher to cover the next holiday period. Please contact the school office if you need any support in this matter.

### **Attendance**

We wish to celebrate with our school community how fantastic our current school attendance has continued to be.

A super well done to the classes below for achieving over 95% attendance last week.

Classes 1, 3, 7, 8 and 11.

Classes 3 enjoyed their breakfast waffles this week as they gained the highest attendance in school. THIS WAS 100% WOW!!!

Please click the link below to watch a video and a clear message from Cllr Shaid Mushtaq and Mohon Ali about the importance of school attendance.

<https://vimeo.com/915536110/450b74e93a>



### 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	Rayaan Abdulkhalik Class 10	29 parent home reads
Second place	Muhammad Haseeb Class 8	14 parent home reads
Third Place	Aayan Ali Class 3	9 parent home reads

### Spelling Shed Winners



Place	Total points awarded for correct spellings	Child
1st	112,574,888	Mustasim Muhammad Class 4
2nd	25,681,418	Hareem Almas Class 12
3rd	13,035,816	Arman Ali Class 8

### TT Rockstars - CELEBRATIONS!



The most accurate Class	Class 8
The most active class	Class 4
The most improved speed	Aliza Zahra Class 5
The most active player	Aqdas Nadeem Class 5

### Word Aware

This week's word is **'indulgent.'**

Please encourage your child to use this word when out and about.





## **Celebrating International Women's Day with a Women's Health Festival**

The Women's Health Festival on Wednesday 6 March and Thursday 7 March 2024 will feature various women's health events to celebrate International Women's Day and Women's History Month. Events also include Bollywood dancing and a gong bath and you can visit health and wellness stalls in the Oldham Library foyer from 10am-2pm on both days. To book on to events click [here](#)

<https://hla.oldham.gov.uk/event/womens-health-festival/>

## **Join the Donate IT Oldham Campaign**

Local people who are struggling to access much needed digital services could benefit from a new scheme to boost digital inclusion across the Oldham borough.

The Donate IT Oldham campaign aims to help bridge the digital gap for the most vulnerable residents by providing refurbished devices such as used laptops, smartphones, and tablets that businesses and members of the public no longer need.

The campaign has been launched by Oldham Council, in partnership with refurbishment provider, Tameside Community Computers (TCC), with the aim to collect over 500 unwanted devices between January 2024 and January 2025. Residents can donate unwanted devices across all of Oldham Council's libraries. Could your school/setting get behind this campaign and contact your parents and local businesses?

Almost 40% of Oldham residents who responded to the Greater Manchester Residents' Survey in 2023 said they, or someone they lived with, experienced some form of digital inclusion issues, which can include struggling to access online learning, apply for jobs, and attend virtual classes because they lack suitable digital devices and internet connections at home.

Find out how you can help or to apply to support a resident [here](#)

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

## **Holiday Activities & Food (HAF) Easter Programme**

Exciting HAF activities will be running over the Easter school holidays for children and young people aged 5+ whose families are in receipt of the free school meal eligibility (FSM) benefit. Please click [here](#) for more information:

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

