

Headteacher's Newsletter 26th April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,



Events in school this week

Class 1 visited the Gallery in Oldham as part of our Linking Project with Blackshaw Lane Primary School. They developed their techniques and creativity by making a banner that will be displayed in school. They also developed their knowledge and understanding of their local environment and heritage.

Thank you to all families who attended the Royal Institution of Science workshop this week It was wonderful to see children and their parents/carers learning together. The children had great fun.

We were proud to take part in the first Pupil Eco-conference organised by and for the children/pupils who are part of the Pinnacle Learning Trust family. The event was held at Hathershaw secondary school. They learn't how we can do so much more to make small changes to positive changes to our Earth and its environment.

2024 Spelling Bee

Information has gone out this week about this year's Spelling Bee. Spelling lists will be sent home this week in preparation for the school final on Thursday 23rd May.



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	Ariana Yasar – Class 11	16 parent reads
Second Place	Zikrullah Sahil – Class 1	12 parent reads
Third Place	Zara Yasin – Class 8	7 parent reads



Spelling Shed Winners

Place	Total points awarded for correct spellings	Child
First Place	19,167,960	Mustasim Muhammad – Class 4
Second Place	6,217,584	Hareem Almas – Class 12
Third Place	3,722,648	Tahmid Uddin – Class 12



TT Rockstars – CELEBRATIONS!

The most accurate Class	Class 8
The most active Class	Class 4
The most improved speed	Halimah Chishty Class 11
The most active player	Sahil Waqas Class 6

Word Aware

This week's word is 'uproar'.

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



Attendance

Superb attendance again this week whole school was 95%. Well done to these classes for achieving 95% or above:

Classes 1, 2, 5, 6, 7 and 12.

Classes 5 and 12 will receive waffles this morning for the highest attendance.



Oldham Volunteer Fair 2024

Action Together is organising a Volunteer Fair on Tuesday 28 May 2024, which will be held on market stalls in the Oldham Town Centre from 10 am to 3 pm. The event aims to offer local organisations a platform to present their volunteering opportunities to the residents of Oldham.

Dates: Tuesday 28 May 2024

Time: 10 am - 3 pm

Venue: Oldham Town Centre, Albion Street / Curzon Street

Organisations interested in booking a stall at the Volunteer Fair can register on the Action Together. See Link Below:

<https://www.actiontogether.org.uk/volunteer-fair-2024>



Local & Mayoral Elections Thursday 2 May 2024

The local and mayoral elections are taking place on Thursday 2 May 2024. Here's the list of candidates:

- Local Elections: Oldham Council local election candidates - full list

<https://www.theoldhamtimes.co.uk/news/24239768.oldham-council-local-election-candidates---full-list/>

(Click Link)

- Greater Manchester Mayoral Election: Who is standing, who can vote and when is it?

[Greater Manchester Mayor: Who is standing and what is the role? - BBC News](#)

(Click Link)

Important changes to the way residents vote

If a resident can't make it to a polling station, they can appoint someone as a proxy to vote on their behalf. The deadline to apply for a proxy vote is 5pm on Wednesday 24 April 2024. There's a new rule about how many people one person can vote for as a proxy. A resident can only vote for two people now. However, if they're voting for people from the UK who live in other countries, they can vote for up to four people. Out of those four, only two can live in the UK. Voters now need a suitable form of ID to vote at a polling station in person. If they don't have a photo ID, they can apply for a free Voter Certificate. The deadline to apply is **5pm on Wednesday 24 April 2024**.

There are also new rules for handling postal votes. Campaigners can't handle certain completed postal votes or their envelopes anymore. Political campaigners can't handle postal votes for other voters unless they're close relatives or someone they take care of regularly. It's now against the law, and it's a criminal offence. Individual voters can only hand in up to five postal voting packs to the election office, including their own.

For more information on elections, please visit:

[Elections | Oldham Council](#)

Manchester Festival of Nature - the free event takes place at Heaton Park on **Sunday 30th June 2024**.

For more information, visit the website:

[Manchester Festival of Nature | The Wildlife Trust for Lancashire, Manchester and North Merseyside \(lancswt.org.uk\)](#)

