

## Headteacher's Newsletter 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Parent/Carer PSHE and Henna forum**

It was wonderful to see so many families in school on Monday morning this week. We thank all those who attended and we value your contributions to the discussion; Miss Powers has shared information on Class Dojo. The take up of the Henna workshop has been fantastic, we are looking forward to opening this up after the half term.

### **Spelling Bee Finalists**

A huge well done to all the children that entered the Spelling Bee Final yesterday morning, you did yourselves proud. We are pleased to announce that this year's winner who will attend the Local Grand Spelling Bee at the Oldham Council Chambers is Habiba Noor in Class 9.

### **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		7 parent reads
Second Place		6 parent reads
Third Place		5 parent reads



### **Spelling Shed Winners**

Place	Total points awarded for correct spellings	Child
First Place	28,804,060	Ariana Yasar – Class 11
Second Place	22,875,268	Lyara Sanches – Class 8
Third Place	20,119,044	Aaqilah Gul – Class 10



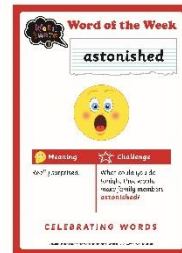
**TT Rockstars – CELEBRATIONS!**

The most accurate Class	Class 11
The most active Class	Class 4
The most improved speed	Rehan Anwar Class 3
The most active player	Sara Dragusin Class 4

**Word Aware**

This week’s word is ‘**astonished**’.

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 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12.

Classes 10, 11 and 12 received waffles as they all had 100% attendance last week.



**Medlock Vale Family Hub Launch Event - Thursday 6 June 2024**

Please share with colleagues and families, everyone is welcome to the launch of Medlock Family Hub on Thursday 6 June from 1 – 4pm.

**Venue:** [Medlock Vale Family Hub – Family Hubs \(oldham.gov.uk\)](https://www.oldham.gov.uk/family-hubs)  
The Honeywell Centre, Hadfield Street, Hathershaw Oldham, OL8 3BP

There will be lots of free, fun activities and an opportunity to meet the services and professionals available.



**Website:** [Family Hubs \(oldham.gov.uk\)](https://www.oldham.gov.uk/family-hubs)

**Digital Literacy Course in Manchester**

FREE Digital Literacy Course, that is taking place in Manchester on the following dates:

- **Monday 24 June 2024** from 11am to 4pm
- **Monday 1 July 2024** from 11am to 4pm
- **Monday 8 July 2024** from 11am to 4pm



The course is free and will help with day to day digital skills

**Website:** [Day-to-day Digital Skills Course - CodeYourFuture](#)

**Venue:** Venus Building, 1 Old Park Lane, Manchester M421 7HA

**Sign up** by completing the [Day-to-day Digital Skills - Expression of Interest \(typeform.com\)](#) or  
**WhatsApp:** 07469 488 132

### **Tour of Britain Women 2024 (Stage Four) – Sunday 9 June 2024**

The borough of Oldham is set to take part in the Tour of Britain Women 2024 which will see the world's top female riders and teams go head-to-head across four tough stages of a cycling race.

Greater Manchester plays host to the fourth stage of the race on Sunday 9 June, in what will be the first major international stage race delivered by British Cycling Events.

Residents and businesses are being encouraged to show support of the event and cheer on the cyclists as they cycle through Failsworth, Oldham, Saddleworth and Shaw.

Oldham will be one of the highlights on the National Cycling Centre to Leigh (Wigan) route, with its steep hills, winding roads and picturesque views.

To see the full route and times visit [www.britishcycling.org.uk](http://www.britishcycling.org.uk)



### **Whit Friday Band Contests**

The annual Whit Friday Band Contests are set to take place on 24th May 2024 in eleven Saddleworth villages between 4pm and 10.30pm.

The brass band competitions starts around 4pm across 11 villages, following the traditional 'Whit Walks' earlier in the day from 10am to 1pm. Dating back to 1884, this event is locally renowned as 'the greatest free show on earth'.

If you're travelling around Saddleworth, keep in mind the road closures.

More details of each contest:

<https://saddleworthwhitfriday.co.uk/>

**Celebrating 175 years of Oldham**



### **Celebrating Oldham's 175th Anniversary**

To mark this special occasion, Oldham Council and partners are organising a series of events, a special video, and new projects to highlight our community's history and future.

Oldham has seen some incredible moments since it became a borough on 1 November 1849.

From the birth of suffragette Annie Kenney in 1879 to the world's first test tube baby, Louise Brown, born here in 1978, our town has witnessed remarkable events.

We have some great events coming up over the summer too. Here's what you can look forward to, find the full guide here: [Celebrating 175 glorious years of Oldham | Oldham Council](#)



Festival Oldham: a free outdoor arts festival, will take place on Saturday 1 June, in Oldham Town Centre from 12noon to 4pm.

Read more here: [Festival Oldham - whatson.oldham.gov.uk](https://www.whatson.oldham.gov.uk)

One Seven Five: An incomplete history of Oldham in 175 objects at Gallery Oldham from Saturday 15 June 2024, to Saturday 11 January 2025. See a collection of objects chosen by locals, each with a unique story about our area over the years.

Oldham Histories Festival: from Friday 6 September to Sunday 15 September 2024. This event is all about exploring our town with talks, walks, and tours centred around the theme 'Routes, Networks, and Connections'.

### **Park Run**

Park run is a free, fun, and friendly weekly 5k community event. Walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate – it's up to you! Please share the link with staff and families.

**Website:** [www.parkrun.org.uk/oldham](http://www.parkrun.org.uk/oldham)



**REMINDER – we return to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 at 8.40am**

**Have safe and happy holiday!**

