

Headteacher's Newsletter 5th July 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

Transition Day

It was wonderful for the Year 2 children to spend the full day at our school yesterday whilst the other children in school spent the day with their new class teachers and the majority of year 6 visited their high schools. It was also lovely to welcome approximately 70 year 2 parents/carers into school and share with them key information regarding their children starting year 3 in September.

Please see below for where teachers will be next year: 2024/25

Note – red is the old class

| Year 3 | Teacher | Teaching Assistant | Teaching Assistant |
|--|-------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Class 1 (Miss Everall's Class) | Miss Akhtar | Miss Alina | Mrs Khan (pm) Miss Ali |
| Class 2 (Mrs Russell's Class) | Mrs Giles | Miss Akhtar | |
| Class 3 (Miss Bulley's Class) | Miss Ali | Miss Shaheen | |

| Year 4 | Teacher | Teaching Assistant | Teaching Assistant |
|-------------------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Class 4 (Class 2) | Mrs Hipkin/Miss Rashid | Mrs Mellor | Miss Hussain Miss Begum |
| Class 5 (Class 1) | Mr Pleasant | Mrs Khan (am) | |
| Class 6 (Class 3) | Mrs Heywood | Mr Ahmed | |

| Year 5 | Teacher | Teaching Assistant | Teaching Assistant |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Class 7 (Class 5) | Miss Yasar | Miss Fozia | Miss Rahat (pm) Miss Begum |
| Class 8 (Class 6) | Miss Mahmood | Mrs White | |
| Class 9 (Class 4) | Miss Powers | Miss Akhtar | |

| Year 6 | Teacher | Teaching Assistant | Teaching Assistant |
|-----------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Class 10 (same class) | Miss Horrocks | Miss Rahat (am) | Mrs Cookson |
| Class 11 (Class 7) | Miss Nolan | Miss Begum | |
| Class 12 (Class 9) | Miss Bradley | Mrs Stockton | |

Applying for a Secondary School place for September 2025

If your child is in year 5 they will be due to start secondary school in September 2025. This is a very exciting and important time. We are writing to make you aware of how and when you need to apply and where to access information to guide you through this process.

You will need to complete an application using the online application system available on the Oldham Council website. It's quick and easy and ensures school offers can be made efficiently via e-mail. If you do not live in Oldham, please apply to the local authority that you pay your council tax to.

The online system will open on **1 August 2024** and close at **5pm on 31 October 2024**.

We recommend that a **minimum** of three preferences are made for any application.

If you don't have access to the internet, there are computers in all Oldham's libraries.

For faith schools you will need to fill in a supplementary form or provide documentation in addition to the application you make to us. Supplementary forms are available from and returned to the relevant school.

To enable you to have a look at what is on offer, all Oldham secondary schools will be holding open evenings during the autumn term. You will be able to access further information, a guide, and links to school websites by logging onto www.oldham.gov.uk/admissions

Should you have any initial queries please do not hesitate to contact the Admissions Team on the below telephone number.

School admissions team
Telephone 0161 770 4213

Email: ecs.pupils@oldham.gov.uk

We have also attached to this newsletter the dates of Open Days for Secondary schools that you may wish to visit. All info has been sent home with the year 5 children this week.

KS2 SATs attached

For families of children in year 6 please find attached information about the results of the SAT tests. You will receive these results with your child's end of year report that is being sent out next week.

RE: Food Vouchers to cover the summer school holiday 2024

You may have read in the local media that Oldham Council has been allocated 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 £60 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 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/wecanhelp 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 | Aleena Ahmed - Class 6 | 48 parent reads |
| Second Place | Aayan Ali Class 3 Aadam Khan Class 3 | 9 parent reads |
| Third Place | Zara Yasin – Class 8 | 6 parent reads |



Spelling Shed Winners

| Place | Total points awarded for correct spellings | Child |
|--------------|--|-------------------------|
| First Place | 3,699,712 | Lyara Sanches – Class 8 |
| Second Place | 3,502,819 | Inaaya Noor – Class 4 |
| Third Place | 802,340 | Fatimah Nazir – Class 1 |



TT Rockstars – CELEBRATIONS!

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| The most accurate Class | Class 6 |
| The most active Class | Class 3 |
| The most improved speed | Mikayeel Ashraf – Class 5 |
| The most active player | Clayton Mcghee – Class 8 |

Word Aware

This week’s word is ‘tug’.

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, 6, 7, 8 and 12.

Class 3 received waffles today as they had the highest attendance last week.

