

Headteacher's Newsletter 12th July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Celebration of Oldham's Spelling Bee Winner



Jack Wild, President at Oldham's Metro Rotary Club was welcomed into assembly today to present Habiba Noor with the Spelling Bee trophy. She has brought credit to our school and of course her family. Many congratulations again.



Summer Fair

Alexandra Park will be having our annual Summer Fair on 19th July 2024 from 1:00 till 2:55pm.

We have a wonderful selection of stalls (henna, Jewellery, clothes, cakes, toys) activities such as bouncy castles, splash the teacher, lucky dip, raffle prizes, tombola and food for you to come and enjoy with your children.

The tickets are 20p per person, and everyone is welcome to attend from families to your friends.

In order to make the day a success we would greatly appreciate it if you could donate some gifts for our tombola stall or send in any unwanted toys or books that your children don't need for our bring and buy stall.

The fair is open to all; you can buy the tickets in advance so we have a rough idea of the numbers attending the event.

Anyone interested in putting a stall on please contact Miss Yasmin for more information.



Sports day 22nd July

We would like to invite parents to come and support. The day will be run in two halves. In the morning session the children will get to take part in several multi sports activities and in the afternoon session children will take part in several running events such as relay races, sack race, 3 legged race etc while their class mates cheer and support.

Session timings for the day will be (1) 09:30 till 11:30am and (2) 13:30 till 15:00pm.

Any questions please do come and see Mr Clarke and any parents who would like to come and assist with the running of events please let Mr Clarke know prior to the 22nd July.

Field Blessing



Invites have gone out for the Field Blessing and this will take place on

Tuesday 23rd July (weather permitting) starting at 1.30pm and finishing at approximately 3pm.

We look forward to welcoming families to this event.

REMINDER: 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 on 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	53 parent reads
Second Place	Zara Yasin – Class 8 Mohammed Wasif Islam – Class 1	6 parent reads
Third Place	Ayaz Hussain – Class 2 Ayaan Munir – Class 2 Aadam Khan – Class 3	5 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!

The most accurate Class	Class 11
The most active Class	Class 2
The most improved speed	Taha Mohammed – Class 11
The most active player	Zayaan Ali – Class 7

Word Aware

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

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, 10 and 12.

Class 4 received waffles today as they had the highest attendance last week.



Summer Reading Challenge, Marvellous Makers launch!

Oldham Libraries invite families to 'sign up at StoryFest' for this year's Summer Reading Challenge, Marvellous Makers launch! (Please click the following link for more information)

[Homepage - The Reading Agency](#)

Launch date: Saturday 13 July 2024, 11am – 3pm at Oldham Library.

Find out more about The Reading Agency

Watch the one minute short video on the Marvellous Makers Summer Reading Challenge 2024 -

►Click here to watch on YouTube:

[Marvellous Makers Summer Reading Challenge 2024 | The Reading Agency \(youtube.com\)](#)

Visit: <https://hla.oldham.gov.uk> for more information about the programme of events and activities which includes all Oldham community libraries.

Holiday Activities and Food (HAF)

Please find below a post about Summer HAF.

Each HAF camp offers a hot main meal along with an enriching activity and a chance to do at least 1 hours exercise. Furthermore the participants will be seen by professionals during the holiday and are able to be appropriately signposted to further avenues of support where needed.



What's On Oldham

Check out events & activities and discover everything happening across the borough for families: <https://whatson.oldham.gov.uk/>

SCHOOL FINISHES FOR THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS

We finish for the Summer holidays on Wednesday 24th July at 3.10pm.

Children will return to school on Tuesday 3rd September at 8.40am.

For more information about the school holiday pattern next year please click this link:

https://alexandrapark.oldham.sch.uk/?page_id=71

