

Principal's Newsletter 6th December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Christmas Card Competition - Winner

Thank you to all the children who entered the Christmas Card competition, Jenny Harrison our vice Chair of governors was amazed by the high standards of designs. It was a very difficult decision to make.

The cards will be displayed in school for everyone to see and enjoy.

Many congratulations to Aliza Kausar in Class 4. Her card will be published professionally and will then be sent out to our families and residents in the local care homes.

She received a gold token and picked her choice of book from the vending machine.



Reindeer run

What a fantastic charitable event the Reindeer run was, even in the rain too!
Thank you to the generous and kind donations from our families.

We have raised a fantastic total of £2,400.

Thankyou to Dr Kershaw's for visiting every class this week so that our children understand the importance what this money can do to support the Hospice.



Year 3 Christmas Production

The year 3 production this year is "A pudding for the chimney sweep." The children will be performing for Glodwick year 2 children and parents on Monday 16th December at 9.30am and our whole school performance will be on Wednesday 18th December at 9.30 am.
We hope you will enjoy it as much as the year 3 children are enjoying performing!



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	Noah Arbane Class 1 Farhan Mohammad Class 1 Aryaan Ahmed Class 5	13 parent reads
Second Place	Alyssa Islam Class 1	12 parent reads
Third Place	Aleena Ahmed	11 parent reads

Spelling Shed Winners



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Aliyah Iqbal
Class 8 24/25, Mrs Yasar Stage 5
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Raja AHMED
Class 11 24/25, Year 6 - Group 1b Miss Nolan
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Aleena Ahmed
Class 8 24/25, Mrs Yasar Stage 5

TT Rockstars – CELEBRATIONS!

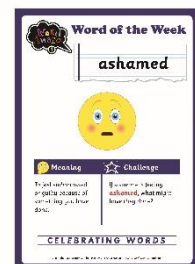


The most accurate Class	Class 11
The most active Class	Class 4
The most improved speed	Zakariya Hussain Class 12
The most active player	Neha Subhani Class 11

Word Aware

This week's word is 'ashamed.'

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





Attendance

Well done to these classes for achieving 95% or above:

Classes 1, 2, 4, 6, 9, 11 and 12.

Classes 4 received their waffle treat as they had the highest attendance in school.

Food Vouchers to cover the Christmas 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 £40 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.

High Cost of Living - We Can Help

Are you worried about the high cost of energy bills, food, and transport?
The please look to the 'We Can Help' team.



The team can help with issues like debt, finding a job, heating your home, feeding your family and more.

Helpline: 0161 770 7007 or visit www.oldham.gov.uk/wecanhelp for more advice.



GM Primary care info for schools

Please find attached an NHS e-leaflet for schools which aims to help to show residents where to access services in their area.

We are sharing this with you for your information. If you need any support, please do contact the school office.