

### **Principal's Newsletter 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### **Celebrations**

##### **Year 6 Production – Wizard of Oz**

We are so very proud of our year 6 children for the most dramatic performance of the 'Wizard of Oz.' They blew the whole community away (even the year 2 children from Glodwick) who watched this outstanding performance. Thank you to all the staff for their support in making this a spectacular show.

We also wish our year 6 children the very best in their next chapter as they move to their Secondary schools. Each and everyone of them are super individuals but together they have achieved so much in the four years they have been at Alexandra Park. We will miss them so much.

All the very best year 6!



















## Summer Fair

Thank you to all the families that attended our summer fair (even in the rainy conditions that day). We are so pleased to announce that we raised over £1000 that will contribute towards a parent's well-being workshop for 25/26 and also towards equipment for the children at lunchtimes as part of our OPAL platinum award in the future. We MUST thank Miss Yasmin who was determined to ensure that the event went ahead regardless of the rainy conditions. It was enjoyed thoroughly by both our children and their families.



## We achieved PLATINUM in our School Games Mark



A huge thank you to our families who have supported our children in attending after school sporting events. We must also thank Mr Clarke for allowing these opportunities to take place for so many of our children.

The School Games Mark is a government-led award scheme. It celebrates schools' commitment to developing competitive sport within their school and community. It allows schools to assess their PE provision and create an action plan for improvement. The School Games Mark follows the School Games' objectives. Schools must show how they:

- Maintain and increase engagement in the School Games, and ensure every child gets 60 active minutes per day.
- Organise competitions that provide positive experiences tailored to students' motivation, confidence, and abilities.
- Focus on key transition points, such as Year 3 and Year 6/7, and how secondary schools take part in the School Games
- Support the personal development of targeted students through youth engagement and leadership.
- Engage key stakeholders to promote the value of the School Games and enhance local provision.
- Provide equal opportunities for all young people, regardless of gender.
- Understand and develop their approach to physical literacy.

## 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	Farhaan Mohammad Class 1	38 parent reads
Second Place	Alyssa Islam Class 1	20 parent reads
Third Place	Aryaan Ahmed Class 5	12 parent reads

## Spelling Shed Winners



### Top Spelling Shed Pupils

#	Avatar	Pupil	Groups	Score
1.		Aleena Ahmed	Class 8 24/25,5b - Miss Mahmood	3,858,134
2.		Muhammad Ayaz HUSSAIN	Class 4 24/25,Mrs Mellor - phonics Y4	929,732
3.		Raheel Riaz	Class 2 24/25,Mrs Giles group 1	342,005



### TT Rockstars – CELEBRATIONS!

The most accurate Class	Class 11
The most active Class	Class 4
The most improved speed	Muhammad Hassan Ali Class 4
The most active player	Noah Arbane Class 1

### Word Aware

This week's word is 'twinkling.'

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



### Attendance

In our celebration assembly on Thursday we congratulated the children who had achieved 100% attendance this year. This is such a commendable achievement that should be recognised. We also celebrated the children who achieved over 97% as this is above the National average. A huge well done to all these children.

### What's On Oldham

Check out events and activities across the borough for families over the summer holidays. Click here to visit the What's On Oldham website.

[whatson.oldham.gov.uk](http://whatson.oldham.gov.uk)





### **Holiday Activities at Castleshaw**

This summer at the Castleshaw Centre, Oldham Council are running a Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Summer Holiday club for children (aged 9-12) that live in Oldham and are in receipt of free school meals. This programme is fully funded and includes adventurous activities, lunch and drinks all delivered by qualified staff.

#### **Activities include:**

Mondays - Kayaking  
Tuesdays - Artificial Caving and Bushcraft Fire making and Shelter Building)  
Wednesdays- Team Building and Orienteering  
Thursdays - Canoeing/paddleboarding  
Fridays - Ghyll Scrambling

The sessions start at 09:50am and end at 2:00pm each day - Monday to Thursday. Friday sessions start at 09:20am and finish at 14:30pm. Please note that some flexibility is required with the finish time on Fridays due to the nature of the activity, Castleshaw staff or pupils will notify parents/carers if the group will be later than anticipated.

If you are interested in this opportunity for your child/children and you are able to drop your child/children at the Castleshaw centre then please book online by visiting [eequ.org](https://www.eequ.org) and search 'Castleshaw' using the search activities button on the home page. Please book as many sessions as you want.

Direct link: <https://www.eequ.org/book/summer-haf-at-the-castleshaw-centre-with-castleshaw-centre-18313>

Please note that these sessions are limited, and booking is live so spaces may run out. Booking is on a first come first served basis through the online booking system Eequ.

**REMINDER - we return to school on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> of September 2025 at 8.40am. Breakfast club will be open as normal from 8am.**

**Thank you to our families for your continued support and we wish you a safe and happy summer holiday!  
We look forward to working together in 2025-26.**



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# HAF 2025



## CASTLESHAW CENTRE

Kayaking, Caving, Bushcraft,  
Canoeing , Scrambling and more..

Funded places for pupils aged 9-12 that live in Oldham.  
Must be in receipt of free school meals. July-August.

Online bookings through [eequ.org](https://eequ.org) (search Castleshaw)

