

20th October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Road safety

As you will be aware we have been posting messages to parents/carers not to park outside the school gates and especially on the yellow zig zag lines outside of school. This is continuing to pose dangers to children as it is still taking place. We outline here developments towards keeping our children and families safe:

- 1) We wish to inform families that we have been placed on a rota and the road camera van will be issuing fines to anyone who is parked on these lines at anytime.
- 2) We have also applied to the council for the school to have pavement gates/barriers installed directly outside the school entrance to prevent children from running out into the road.
- 3) This will however not be immediate so in the meantime we will be putting other measures in place after the half term break.



We thank you for your support and comments posted on Class Dojo and if we do not hear of movement on the pavement gates/barriers then we hope to ask families to support us in pushing this forwards.

School uniform -recycle and support

The hard work of the Eco Committee last year has resulted in APJS receiving the Eco Schools Green Flag Award. We did this by focusing on three project areas of sustainability: Litter; Energy and Water. Our work involved informing and encouraging everyone to be more mindful of their behaviour with regard to waste and water/energy use.

This year, we would like to continue our work, with one of our focuses being recycling. In view of this, we have placed a drawer unit in the foyer area of the school, where pre-loved items of school uniform can be placed - free to any parents/families that can make use of them.

We would also encourage that, if you have articles of school uniform that is no longer of any use to your children (they have left the school or outgrown it) and it is still in good condition, you donate to us so that it can be recycled. This way we can reduce the impact of the school/community on the planet further.

Thank you for your support - watch out for ongoing Eco School campaigns that you can join in with!

Thank you to Mrs Heywood and Miss Booth for organising this for our families.





Attendance

We wish to celebrate with our school community how fantastic our current school attendance has continued to be.

Last week our whole school attendance was a fantastic 96.2%.

Our persistent absence taken last week was also lower than Oldham's average across all phases of education.

A super well done to the classes below for achieving over 95% attendance last week.

Classes 1, 2, 3 4, 7, 8, 10, 11 and 12.

Classes 8 and 10 enjoyed their breakfast waffles this week as they gained the highest attendance in school.

Residents News

Ahead of it landing through residents' letterboxes over the next week, we wanted to give you the opportunity to take a first look at the latest edition of Oldham Council Working For You – Oldham Newsletter.

The Winter's edition is packed full of exciting updates on regeneration projects, borough events, where to get support and advice and local news by district.

- [click here to download](#)

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	Muhammad Haseeb Class 8	20 parent home reads
Second place	Ayan Ali Class 3	10 parent home reads
Third Place	Zara Yasin Class 8	8 parent home reads



Spelling Shed Winners

Place	Total points awarded for correct spellings	Child
1st	24,373,216	Hareem Almas Class 12
2nd	9,190,714	Ayaan Ali Class 5
3rd	8,243,638	Amnah Mahmood Class 11



TT Rockstars - CELEBRATIONS!

The most accurate Class	Class 3
The most active class	Class 5
The most improved speed	Simra Mahiya Class 10
The most active player	Aqdas Nadeem Class 5

Word Aware

This week's word is 'impulsive.'

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



Half Term Holiday

Wishing everyone a safe and restful half term we return to school on Monday 30th October at 8.40am.

