



## Greenbank Primary Newsletter



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### Headteacher's Message

Welcome back to a new school year! I hope you all had a wonderful Summer break and you are well rested and ready for the term ahead.

It has been wonderful to see all our children returning to school and excited to be back. We have now had our first full week back in school and it has been lovely to welcome our new Reception children. They have made a good start at settling well into school routines. We also welcome a number of children who have joined other year groups and Miss Rafferty Hughes our new Year 3 teacher.

We have a busy Autumn Term planned and there will be lots of opportunities for parents to find out about their child's learning.

Mrs L Walsh

### DAIRY DATES

<b>Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 9:05am</b>	<b>Y2 Meet the Teacher</b>
<b>Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 2:30pm</b>	<b>Y3 Meet the Teacher</b>
<b>Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Sept 9:05am</b>	<b>Y4 Meet the Teacher</b>
<b>Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Sept 2:30pm</b>	<b>Y5 Meet the Teacher</b>
<b>Thu 18<sup>th</sup> Sept 2:30pm</b>	<b>Y1 Meet the Teacher</b>
<b>Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Sept 9:05 am</b>	<b>Inclusion Hubs Meet the Teacher</b>
<b>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> – Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	<b>Y6 Towerwood Residential</b>
<b>Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 9:05am</b>	<b>MacMillan Coffee Morning</b>
<b>Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 2pm</b>	<b>Y6 Meet the Teacher and SATs Meeting</b>
<b>Tues 7<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Parents' Evening</b>
<b>Wed 8<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Parents' Evening</b>
<b>Thu 16<sup>th</sup> October 2:30pm</b>	<b>Thinking Thursday Y1 Y2 and Y3</b>
<b>Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2:30pm</b>	<b>Thinking Thursday Y4, Y5 and Y6</b>

### MEET THE TEACHER

Most of our Meet the Teacher meetings will be taking place this week.

These meetings give parents and carers an opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and find out about the curriculum and expectation for the year ahead.

All Meet the Teacher meetings will take place in the Outdoor Building.

ATTENDANCE	
Year Group	Attendance for first full week
Year 1	94.2%
Year 2	94.6%
Year 3	95.1%
Year 4	92.7%
Year 5	94.8%
Year 6	96.1%

### PARKING AND TRAFFIC AROUND SCHOOL

Thank you to everyone for your support with the parking on Greenbank Road. It has helped with more families walking to school instead of driving or parents parking away from school eg: on the other side of the common.

Due to these adaptations we have had very little congestion outside school and families have been able to leave school quicker rather than spending time sat in traffic.

We are also pleased that drivers are parking considerately on Greenbank Road. Please remember to turn round using the school car park entrance rather than in the middle of the road.

The safety and wellbeing of our children is one of our utmost priorities in and around school and these actions are helping to keep our children safe.



### ATTENDANCE

It is important that your child is in school every day. If your child is ill please phone school before 8:45am and leave a message on the answer machine.

Term Time absences will be unauthorised. If you are planning to take your child out of school either in the UK or abroad you will need to fill in a form (please collect from the School Office) and then book a meeting with the headteacher. This should happen before any tickets are booked.

If your child is off school for 5 or more days the absence will be unauthorised and parents will receive a fine as per the guidance from the Department of Education.

Attendance Matters



### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Greenbank will be holding a MacMillan Coffee Morning on

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September 9:00am-10:00am**

**In the Dining Centre**

Many of our families and friends in our school community have had support from MacMillan Cancer Support and we would like to support this charity to continue with the vital services it provides.

We will have a selection of cakes and coffee available to buy so we can raise money for this very worthwhile charity.





## ARBOR

From Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September school will only be using the ARBOR Parent App to send messages to parents and carers.

School dinners, school trips and school items can only be paid for through the ARBOR Parent App. Parents' Evening appointments will also need to be booked on ARBOR.

Nearly 80% of parents have already signed up to the ARBOR Parent App – thank you.

If you need some help with signing up to the ARBOR Parent App we have two Support Sessions where our office staff will help you sign up to ARBOR. This should only take 5 minutes to do.

The Support Sessions if needed are Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September 9:15am-11:00am and Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 9:15am -11:00am. Please come to the School Office.

## PE

<b>Mondays</b>	<b>Year 3 and Year 4</b>
<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>Reception</b>
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>Year 2</b>
<b>Thursdays</b>	<b>Year 1</b>
<b>Fridays</b>	<b>Year 5 and Year 6</b>

On PE days children come in to school in their PE kits; Y1 – Y6 black joggers, black leggings or black shorts, black hoodie White t-shirt, Black pumps (Year 1 and Year 2) and black Trainers where possible (KS2 – Year 3, 4 5 and 6). All clothing items should have no logos if possible.

No jewellery should be worn on PE days.



## APPLYING FOR A SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACE

The time has now come for Y6 parents and carers to begin the process of applying for your child's secondary school place for September 2026. If you need help with your application you can log onto the Rochdale Council Website - School Admissions and they have a series of steps to help you. Please note you will need a valid email address to complete the online process. Here is a reminder of the deadline dates

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2025	The online admissions system opens for secondary school places.
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	Closing Date for Applications. Ensure your secondary school application is submitted before this date.
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Last date for any changes to the address in your application.
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2026	National offer day.