



Meanwood Primary School

This week

It was Children In Need Day today, the kitchen staff made Pudsey biscuits. It has been absolutely fabulous seeing so many children coming into school dressed up. As a school we have managed to raise £357.27 towards the Children In Need Appeal.



UPCOMING EVENTS

New Dinner Menu

This week was the start of our Winter Menu, on Monday 21st November we will be on week 2. Please have a look at the menu attached and contact the office if you have any queries.

Open Day

Thank you to all those who braved the weather to come and visit our school for Open Day on Tuesday. It was lovely to share our day with you and we hope that you got to see all of the fabulous things we offer. Please have a look at the attachment to see some of the really positive feedback which was collected on the day.





UPCOMING EVENTS

Heritage Day

We are celebrating the fact that our school is 120 years old on Tuesday 29th November. Children should come to school as normal in their uniform. A special lunch has been organised which is open to all pupils and the menu has been designed by our School Council representatives. (<https://forms.office.com/r/Z7KNj6f7eA>) We are going to show children old photographs of the school and look at some of the archive materials that we have but we would also love to create a memory book of past pupils - If you or someone you know came to Meanwood we would love you to share your memories of the school and your time here. If you have any photographs that would be even better - we can copy these and give them straight back to you. These memories can be hand written and dropped off at the office or emailed to office@meanwood.rochdale.sch.uk. Once all the memories and photographs are gathered, we will put them all together and the book will be available to look at in the main entrance and scanned onto the school Facebook page.

Parents Evening

We would like to invite you to meet with your child's class teacher to find out how they are getting on in school and to ask any questions that you may have.

If you wish to speak to Mrs Molloy (SENCO) about any SEN Concerns that you may have with your child, you can book a separate appointment with her as well as with your child's class teacher. It has come to our attention that Parents were restricted to only choosing one appointment for a child. This has now been rectified and you can now book an appointment with both class teacher and Mrs Molloy for any SEN concerns.

Parents' Evening will be held on

Monday 21st November 3:30 - 4:30 for 5Q parents only

Tuesday 22nd November 3:30 - 4:30 for all parents apart from 5Q

Wednesday 23rd November 3:30 - 6:00 for all parents

Thursday 24th November 3:30 - 4:30 for all parents

Please follow the user guide attached to book your child's appointment or come to the office any day after 3:00pm and we will make an appointment on your behalf if you are struggling to log in.





INFORMATION

Children wearing Jewellery

For safety reasons, children are not permitted to wear jewellery except plain stud earrings
- these will need covering for PE if they cannot be removed by the child.

Packed Lunches

Please ensure items in children's packed lunches (and anything which may have been hidden away in their pockets) do not contain NUTS.

Nuts are sometimes contained in items which you might not realise.

We have children and staff with nut allergies it is extremely important to take extra care.

Thank you for your cooperation.

School Councillors

Dear Parents/Guardians

We need your help!

The children on our School Council have decided it would be nice to donate chocolate to the orphans in Lviv, Ukraine (Rochdale's twin town); in conjunction with a local Rochdale charity. We are asking children to bring in one item to give the Ukraine children a wonderful Christmas. Please ask your child to hand the donation to their class teacher.

Thank you, School Council

Meanwood Facebook page

Please like, share and follow our school Facebook page. We put regular updates on there and share photographs too. To find it please search for Meanwood Primary School and you will see the school logo.

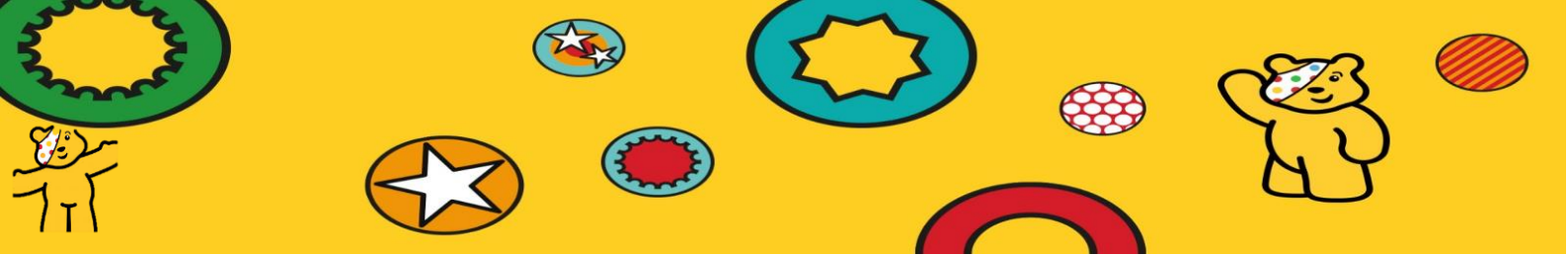
Dinner Swap

Just to let you know that the following dinners will be swapped over to help the kitchen with Christmas dinner preparation.

Tuesday 13th will be Friday's dinner week 2.

Friday 16th will be Tuesday's dinner week 2.





We will be having Christmas dinner on Wednesday 14th December 2022

If your child does not usually have a school meal and would like to have a Christmas lunch please complete the form using the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/r/sdKc0tziGc>

Christmas lunch will be charged at a rate of £2.40. The form will need completing and payment must be made **before 25th November 2022**. If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, payment is not required. Any orders placed after this date will not be included. You can pay via Sims Pay or by card at the main school office.

Would you like support with your child's speech, language and communication? **Please have a look at the attachment provided showing sessions taking place in December.**



The online admissions system opens on Monday 19th September 2022 for Reception Class places in September 2023.

The closing date for applications is 16th January 2023

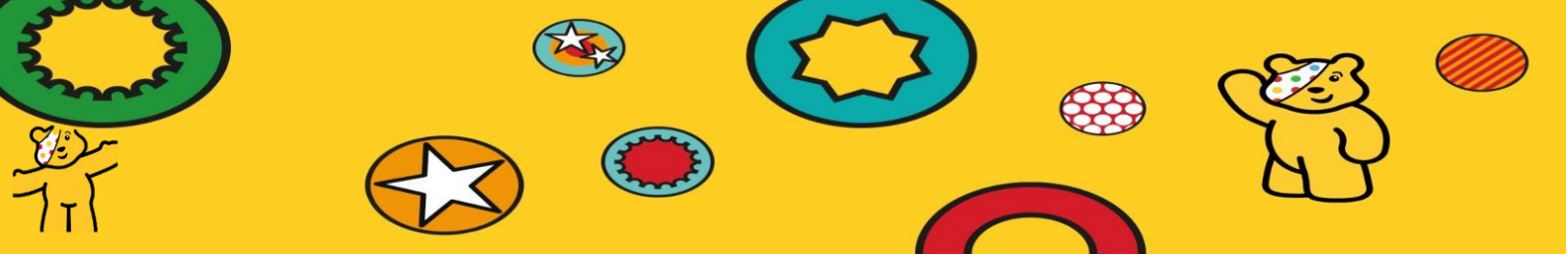
<https://www.rochdale.gov.uk/school-admissions-appeals/apply-primary-school-place>

If your child attends breakfast club, you can sign them in at the main office between 7:45am-8:15am. Please do not arrive before 7:45am as staff will not be available to sign your child in. Whilst you're entering and leaving the school grounds **could you please ensure that gates are closed behind you.**



As little ears are listening could you please make sure you do not swear in and around the school grounds.





We have now sent text messages to pupil's parents who play a musical instrument. This has been sent from the school office regarding the fees for the next half term. Please ensure these are paid by December for your child to continue their music tuition lessons for next year.



The Surestart Centres November 2022 Timetable is attached.



If you are taking a KS1 child to an appointment during school hours or if you have been asked to pick a child up because they are ill, please come to the main school office first to sign them out.

<u>Children late this week after classroom doors closed at 8:51 am</u>	
<u>Please make sure your child is arriving in time to line up with their friends at 8.45am.</u>	
Monday 14 th November 2022	19 children were late
Tuesday 15 th November 2022	5 children were late
Wednesday 16 th November 2022	13 children were late
Thursday 17 th November 2022	11 children were late
Friday 18 th November 2022	10 children were late

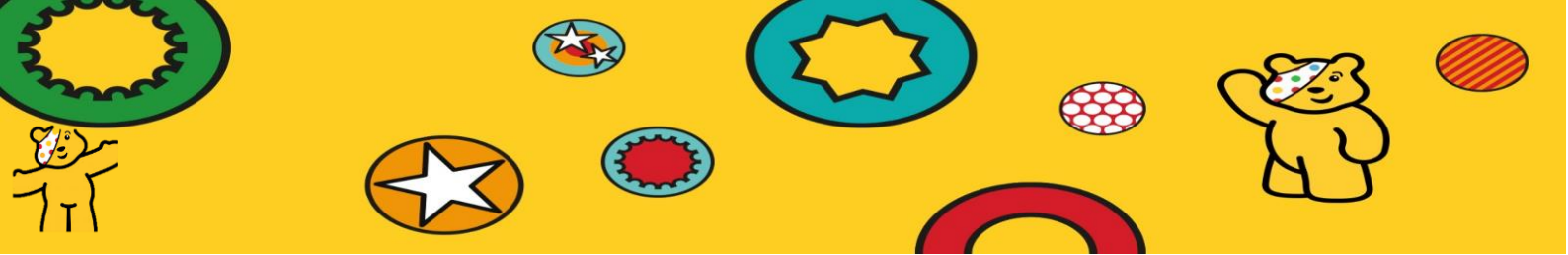
Children must be supervised by an adult before class doors are opened at 8.45am. Staff are not able to watch children before this time.

Children must not play on the outdoor gym before or after school.

Absence Procedure

If your child is absent from school, you must contact the school office every day, prior to class registration, to inform us of the reason for absence.





Office staff will be available from 7:30AM onwards. The methods of contact to report child absence are:

- Telephone: 01706 648197
 - Text: 07860030967
 - WhatsApp: 07973721147
- Email: absence@meanwood.rochdale.sch.uk
 - Contact us page via website

The school uniform at Meanwood is:

- Grey skirt or grey trousers
 - White shirt or polo shirt
- School sweatshirt or cardigan with Meanwood logo or plain navy jumper, sweatshirt or cardigan
 - Black shoes
- In summer, girls may wear a blue gingham dress and boys may wear short grey trousers

Do not send your children in Trainers.

This Week's Newsletter Attachments are:

- Timetable for Surestart
 - Open Day Leaflet
- Parent Guide for Parents Evening
 - Winter Menu Booklet

