



# *Meanwood Primary School*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Heritage Day**

We are celebrating the fact that our school is 120 years old on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November. Children should come to school as normal in their uniform. 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](mailto: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.

### **School Councillors**

Dear Parents/Guardians

We need your help!

The children in 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 (**the item can be as small as chocolate coins**) to give the Ukraine children a wonderful Christmas. Please ask your child to hand the donation to their class teacher. **Deadline is 2<sup>nd</sup> December.**

Thank you, School Council

### **Christmas Jumper Day**

Christmas Jumper Day is on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2022. All children are welcome to come into school wearing their Christmas jumper, along with their usual school uniform. We will be asking for children to bring in a £1 donation which will be going to Springhill Hospice.





## **Christmas Songs**

Nursery will be holding a stay and play Christmas crafts and singing session on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 11:00 – 11:45. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are learning Christmas songs. Each year group will have an assembly towards the end of the day and you are invited to come watch your child's class. The dates are as follows:

- Reception – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm.
  - Year 1 – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm
  - Year 2 – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm.

## **Christmas Parties**

This year each year group will be holding their own Christmas Party. The children will be able to come in wearing non uniform only on the day of their party. The dates for each class are below:

- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Reception and Year 2
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Nursery, Year 3 and Year 4
  - Thursday – Year 1, Year 5 and Year 6

## **KS2 Carol Concert**

This year KS2 will be going to Spotland Methodist Church for the Christmas Carol Concert, We would like you to invite you to this event on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 13:30.


# **INFORMATION**

## **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.

## **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.



# INFORMATION

## **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.

## **Dinner Swap**

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

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> will be Friday's dinner week 2.

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## **Warm Space at Spotland Library, Rochdale.**

With a cost of living & climate crisis, many of us are facing tough decisions. Some of us have moved to working from home following the pandemic and are facing a winter with increased energy bills. Others are facing even harder decisions about whether to heat or eat.

Warm Spaces is designed to signpost *anyone* in need of warmth & community, to a warm space to share with others.

<https://www.rochdale.gov.uk/directory-record/1280/warm-space-at-spotland-library-rochdale>

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 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for Reception Class places in September 2023.

The closing date for applications is 16<sup>th</sup> 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.**



**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.***

**Children late this week after classroom doors closed at 8:51am**

**Please make sure your child is arriving in time to line up with their friends at 8.45am.**

Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2022	15 children were late
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2022	18 children were late
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2022	20 children were late
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	18 children were late
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	11 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](mailto: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

