



Meanwood Primary School Newsletter

6th March 2026



New This Week:



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| Fri 20.03.26 | INSET DAY—School closed to children |
| Thu 26.03.26 | Easter Crafts Stay & Play—All EYFS families welcome |
| Fri 27.03.26 | Eid Mubarak Party—Party clothes can be worn |
| Wed 01.04.26 | Naughty Bus Stay & Play—All Reception parents welcome |
| Thu 02.04.26 | Last Day at School |
| Fri 03.04.26 to Fri 17.04.26 | EASTER HOLIDAYS — School closed to children |
| Mon 11.05.26 to Thu 14.05.26 | Year 6 SATS |

A total of **45** children were **late this week!!** A big 'thank you' to those who arrive on time every day!!

The main gates open at **8.30am**. Your child needs to enter the classroom at **8.45am**.

The classroom doors close at **8.51am**. If your child arrives after this time, they are **LATE**.

Eid Mubarak Party

Friday 27th March 2026

We will be holding an Eid party on Friday 27th March for all children in school. We will share food and celebrate the end of the holy month of Ramadan.

Children can come dressed in their own party clothes and have lots of fun celebrating!



EID MUBARAK PARTY—Friday 27.03.26

Children can come to school in their own party clothes.

If parents would like to donate towards the cost of the snacks for the party it would be greatly appreciated.

Payments can be made in the school shop section on the Arbor App.

Thank you.



EASTER RAFFLE

We will be holding an Easter raffle for the chance to win a chocolate hamper generously donated to school by parents.

If you would like to purchase a ticket/s you can find them in the Arbor App in the school shop section.

Tickets are available until 12.30pm on Wednesday 1st April, and are £1.00 each. The live draw will take place on Thursday 2nd April.



SWIMMING LESSONS

Please note that class 3H will start their swimming lessons on **Wednesday 25th March**.

Class 3/4J will need to ensure that they bring their PE kit into school each week commencing Monday 23rd March.



Important Reminders

'NEW' SPRING TERM (BEFORE SCHOOL) CLUBS

These are now available to book through the Arbor App.



8am

Children must arrive promptly for 8.00am at the Year 6 gate.

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| Monday | Years 5/6 | Badminton | 14 places left |
| Tuesday | Years 3/4 | Indoor Football | 11 places left |
| Wednesday | Years 5/6 | Darts | FULL 16 places only |
| Thursday | Years 3/4 | Pickleball | 12 places left |
| Friday | Years 5/6 | Volleyball | 9 places left |

ARE YOU ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

To see if you are eligible for Free School Meals with Rochdale Council, please visit www.rochdale.gov.uk/benefits-money/free-school-meals to complete the electronic form. You will get an immediate response and will not be required to fill out any further paperwork. Rochdale Council will process your application and they will send you a letter to inform you of the outcome. Please bring a copy of this letter to school and we can update your child's record. Please note any school meals taken will need to be paid for until eligibility is confirmed.

For every pupil registered under the criteria above, the school will receive an additional 'Pupil Premium' funding of £1450 per child which is spent on ensuring our children are supported to make the best possible progress in school. This is also used to access to facilities, clubs and subsidised trips.

We encourage as many families as possible to apply for free school meals so that we receive our maximum Pupil Premium funding.

MEANWOOD PARKING SQUAD

Please be aware School Council will be patrolling the pavements around school looking at inconsiderate and illegal parking in the following months along with a PCSO. Please park further away from school to keep our children safe. Thank you.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE could parents park respectfully when dropping / picking children up from school. The surrounding roads can be very busy at these times, causing congestion and can often lead to frustration from residents and other parents at the chaos if cars are not parked safely and respectfully. Please allow yourself plenty of time at these busy periods and be considerate of local residents and other drivers and pedestrians. Thank you.

SHOW YOU CARE



Park Elsewhere

'NEW' SPRING TERM (AFTER SCHOOL) CLUBS

These are now available to book via the Arbor App

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| Monday | Years 3 & 4 | Football | 7 places left |
| Tuesday | Years 5 & 6 | Rugby | 12 places left |
| Tuesday | Year 3 | Mindfulness | |
| Wednesday | Years 5 & 6 | Netball | 13 places left |

There will be 20 places only for each club.



Rochdale Parent Carers Voice

March Coffee Session

Tuesday 10th
March 2026
10am-12pm

Second Floor
Spotland Bridge Mill
Mellor Street,
Rochdale OL11 5BU
rochdalepcv@outlook.com

Private appointments with SENDIASS please email us to book a time

Guest Speakers

Amanda from Rochdale Council Work and Skills Team

Liam from Rochdale Council Communications Team

No Booking Required - just turn up!



This is a safe and open Parent Carer space for discussion so please do not bring Children and Young People you care for to this session.

PLAYGROUND SUPERVISION — Please could parents kindly supervise children on the playground before school and do not let them play on the equipment if it is wet, as it can be very slippery and we do not want any accidents to happen. Thank you.

Dates for the diary

| | <u>EVENTS</u> | | |
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| Wed 26.03.26 | | Easter Crafts—Stay and Play EYFS | 10.45am to 11.45am All EYFS families welcome |
| Friday 27.03.26 | | Eid Mubarak Party Children can wear party clothes |  During school hours |
| Wed 01.04.26 | | Naughty Bus Stay and Play—Reception | 9.00am to 10am All Reception parents welcome |
| Last Day at School Thursday 02.04.26 |  | Easter Holidays | School Re-opens Monday 20.04.26 |
| Monday 11.05.26 to Thursday 14.05.26 | | Year 6 SATS <i>All Year 6 children are required to be in school</i> |  Mornings |