

# Meanwood Primary School

## NEWSLETTER



Children must be supervised on the playground by an adult before class doors are opened at 8.45am.

Staff are not able to watch children before this time.



**Collection:** Can parents/carers please ensure that collection arrangements are made with children and class staff before school each day?

We understand that at times circumstances change and accept this cannot be helped but continual change of arrangements is confusing for the children and school staff.

**Please note that siblings must be 16 years old or older in order to pick children up from school.**



There is a charity fundraiser event being held at Rochdale Fire Station on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023 in aid of Motor Nueurone Disease 9.30am – 4.30pm. Please see the flyer attached if you would like to go.



Miss Pollitt in KS1 is taking part in a Charity Bouncathon to raise funds for the charity Child Autism UK. If you would like to donate to the charity or take part in the Bouncathon, please see the flyer attached, it's on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023.



## School Gateway App: Action needed

School Gateway is our parent engagement app that will allow you to pay for school trips/dinner money and communicate with the school at anytime from anywhere.

All school related communication, emails and messages will go through School Gateway. To stay up to date with what's going on at school make sure you download the app for free.



### After School Clubs – From September 2023

After School Activity Clubs are now bookable through the School Gateway app. If your child likes to take part in After School Activity/Fun Clubs please download the app as soon as possible



### Secondary School Applications for September 2024 – Year 6 Children

This is the timetable which shows the important dates you need to know about when applying for a secondary school place for your Year 6 child. This is done via the Rochdale Council Website, please copy and paste this link into your internet browser to apply for a place:

<https://parentportal.rochdale.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/parents/admissions>

<b>Monday, 4 September 2023</b>	The online admissions system opens for secondary school places.
<b>Tuesday, 31 October 2023</b>	<b>Closing date for applications.</b> Ensure your secondary school application is submitted before this date. Otherwise, you will need to apply for a late application.
<b>Friday, 1 March 2024</b>	<b>National offer day.</b> Sign into your account to view your school place offer.



### Reception Class Applications for September 2024 – Nursery Children

This is the timetable which shows the important dates you need to know about when applying for a Reception Class place for your Nursery child. This is done via the Rochdale Council Website, please copy and paste this link into your internet browser to apply for a place:

<https://parentportal.rochdale.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/parents/admissions>

<b>Monday, 1 September 2023</b>	The online admissions system opens for Reception Class places.
<b>Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024</b>	<b>Closing date for applications.</b> Ensure your Reception Class application is submitted before this date. Otherwise, you will need to apply for a late application.
<b>16<sup>th</sup> April 2024</b>	<b>National offer day.</b> Sign into your account to view your school place offer.

## Free School Meals / Pupil Premium

To see if you are eligible for Free School Meals with Rochdale Council, please click on the following link or copy it into your internet browser and complete the electronic form:

<https://www.rochdale.gov.uk/benefits-money/free-school-meals/2>

Rochdale Council will process your application (this can take a couple of weeks to process) and they will send you a letter to inform you of the outcome. Please bring a copy of this letter to the school office then we can update your child's record. Please note any school meals taken will need to be paid for until eligibility is confirmed.

If you think you may be eligible to claim or are not sure, please do. For every child eligible for free school meals, the school receives additional "**Pupil Premium**" funding which is spent on ensuring our children are supported to make the best possible progress in school.



## Lunch Payments

Please keep a check on your child's dinner money.

Any pupils owing more than 1 week of dinner money will be unable to choose a lunch on the new system and will need to bring a packed lunch from home until payment has been made.

You can now choose your child's lunch on the Schoolgateway app.

**This is how to do it:**

Open the school gateway app

Click on lunch money

Make or view meal bookings

Click on the date you wish to choose dinner for (You can book a few weeks in advance)

Click on the meal you would like to choose

Scroll down and click confirm booking.

## We Are a Nut Free School



We have several children and staff with severe allergies, if they come into contact with any product containing nuts they could have a very serious anaphylaxis reaction.

Please **do not** let your child bring any product containing nuts into school.

Some products like Kinder Bueno's, Kinder Hippos, Nutella biscuits etc. do not contain whole nuts but they contain hazelnut cream made with hazelnuts not just flavourings, please do not bring these either. Thank you.

# Upcoming Events

Date	Time	Event
04/10/23	PM	Year 6 Crucial Crew Trip
16/10/23	AM	Whole School Photos
17/10/23	9am – 10am	EYFS and KS1 Reading Workshops
17/10/23	2pm – 3pm	KS2 Reading Workshops
23/10/23 – 27/10/23	School Closed	October Half Term
15/11/23	All Day	Intra Health Flu Vaccines
22/11/23	All Day	Open Day – Flyer Attached

## Lates

**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 18 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	8 children were late
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	11 children were late
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	11 children were late
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> September 2023	8 children were late
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2023	10 children were late

**Well done to everyone who is managing to get here on time daily.**

