

# **Meanwood Primary School Newsletter**



## 22nd November 2024

New This Week:



#### **SWIMMING LESSONS YEARS 3&4**

Years 3&4J will be starting their swimming lessons on Wednesday 4th December. Please ensure you send your child to school with swimming kit on this day each week.

This will be instead of their PE lesson.

Swimming is <u>compulsory</u> and is part of the national curriculum, so ALL pupils must go each week.

Years 3&4B will be finishing swimming lessons and starting PE lessons on *Wednesday 4th December*. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school for this day each week.

Years 3&4C will now be having their block of swimming lessons last, so will not be going until after the February half-term. The official date will be confirmed closer to the time. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school for their PE lesson each Wednesday.

## CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY



#### Thursday 12th December

Children are invited to come to school wearing non-uniform for a donation of

#### £1 for Save the Children Charity

They can wear anything Christmassy (red, green, glittery)

It does not have to be a Christmas jumper.

#### ALADDIN AT QUEEN ELIZABETH HALL IN OLDHAM

Black Friday offer for 40% discount off tickets to the OFF PEAK

performances of this year's panto

#### **ALADDIN**

To take advantage of this offer, use the code SCHOOLS when booking at

www.ticketsource.co.uk/oldhampanto

Please see flyer attached



# Schoolgateway

#### School Gateway

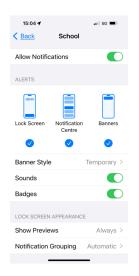


School Gateway is the easiest way to interact with your child's life at school. It helps you manage school communications, payments, clubs, dinner money and more in one simple, easy to use free app.

It is especially useful during the *winter months* to get up to date information regarding school closures, as the messages are instant and will pop up on the screen providing the notifications are set as below.

Find out more at schoolgateway.co.uk







Dale Supporters Trust are looking at broadening the number of young fans in years 5/6 that attend football matches at Rochdale Football Club. It is a great incentive to have younger fans engaging more and learning about the players.

The initial survey enables children in years 5/6 to vote for their favourite players. A competition will then be launched to give fans the opportunity to meet their favourites and the manager.

The player survey closes on 26th November 2024.

Please find attached the printable form for the children to fill in, to either hand in at the school office, hand in to Rochdale AFC Club Shop, or email to youthmatters@daletrust.co.uk

#### Important Reminders

#### **COFFEE MORNING IN SCHOOL**

#### **Thursday 28th November 2024**

Start your day off right with a coffee and great company. Come and chat to other parents and RANS.

Join us for a coffee morning in school on Thursday 28th November from 9.00am until 12.00pm

Led by Parent Champions and RANS TASC Team.

Please see the attached flyer



#### Change of school's text number

Please note that the new text number for school is 07507282005

#### **TESCO STRONGER STARTS CAMPAIGN**

We are very pleased to have been chosen to be part of the Tesco Stronger Starts Campaign from the beginning of October until the middle of January.

If you shop at Tesco or know friends or family who do, please encourage them to put a blue token into our voting box to help enhance our EYFS area.

Participating stores are:-

Bamford Express Small unit OL11 5QY Rochdale Large unit OL11 3ER Whitworth Market Exp Small unit OL12 8QS York St Heywood Exp Small unit OL10 4NS

Whitworth Rd Rochdale Exp Small unit OL12 6ER Rochdale Edenfield Exp Small unit OL12 7PD

#### For EYFS and KS1 parents:

Could you please complete a short survey about Nursery Provision to help us provide child care options that meets the needs of our community?

Please copy and paste the following link into your internet browser:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx? id=j54VfHZkO0msjyKLOM7bn4VHWwsBcpVMiLHsvok8gNdUN01JMjA xVzVFNURMUEtXTlY5U0g0VzdVUC4u

#### MESSAGE FROM SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL



There is still no School Crossing Patrol at



Sandy Lane / Football Ground.

#### **SING AND CRAFT AFTERNOONS**

Parents are invited into school to listen to each class / year group singing songs. Parents are then invited into their child's class to help with some Christmas crafts.

KS2 parents 16.12.24 at 2.00pm

KS1 parents 18.12.24 at 2.00pm



### ASDA

#### ASDA CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

Please find attached a flyer regarding Asda Cashpot for Schools.

When you shop with Asda Rewards they will donate 0.5% of your total spend every time to your selected primary school (please choose Meanwood Primary School Rochdale, not Leeds).

This is additional to your own earnings and doesn't take anything out of your cashpot.

#### **Nursery Stay and Play Session**

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Friday 22nd November 2024

10:45am to 11:45am

All parents and carers are welcome

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## Dates for the diary

| DATE     | <u>EVENT</u>  | TIME              |
|----------|---|-------------------|
| 28/11/24 | Coffee Morning in school led by Parent Champions and RANS | 9.00am to 12.00pm |
| 12/12/24 | Christmas Jumper Day                                      | All Day           |
| 16/12/24 | KS2 Sing and Craft afternoon                              | 2pm in school     |
| 18/12/24 | KS1 Sing and Craft afternoon                              | 2pm in school     |



| Monday 9th September 2024   | The online admissions system opens for primary school places starting in September 2025.   |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Wednesday 15th January 2025 | Closing date for applications  Ensure your reception class application for a primary school is submitted before this date. Otherwise, you will need to apply for a late application. |
| Wednesday 16th April 2025   | National Offer Day   |

#### Reception Class Applications for September 2025 – 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:

#### Late Arrivals This Week:

| DAY       | NUMBER OF LATE CHILDREN |  |
|-----------|-------------------------|--|
| Monday    | 17                      |  |
| Tuesday   | 13                      |  |
| Wednesday | 11                      |  |
| Thursday  | 13                      |  |
| Friday    | 12                      |  |

#### A total of 66 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 class room at 8:45am. The class room doors close at 8:51am. If your child arrives after this time they are LATE.

#### Attendance



#### School fines for unauthorised absence have changed.

The government (Department for Education) has introduced a new national framework for penalty notices which parent/carers must pay if they take a child out of school during term time, for holidays or unauthorised absence. The changes came into effect for fines issued after 19 August 2024. We urge parents/carers not to interrupt their children's schooling and talk to the office staff before booking leave of absence.

