

Meanwood Primary School

Newsletter



Week Commencing: 16th October 2023

New This Week:

Has your child visited a dentist in the last 12 months?

If the answer to this question is **NO**, Littleborough Dental Practice are holding a pilot scheme to allow your child to see a dentist.

Please contact them directly to arrange an appointment:

[Littleborough Dental Practice](https://www.littleboroughdentalpractice.co.uk)

www.littleboroughdentalpractice.co.uk

115 Featherstall Road, Littleborough, Rochdale OL15 8JZ

Tel: 01706 376523



We will be selling poppies and other remembrance tokens at school after half term – more details to follow next week.



Is your child aged 3 or going to be 3 before Christmas?

If so, we have spaces available in our Nursery class starting in January 2024.

Nursery is a morning session 8:45 - 11:45 each day.

If you would like to have a look round, please contact the office or come to our Open Day on **22nd November** when we will be happy to show you our facilities.

You can apply online via the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/piSHB4mqca>



Important Reminders:

If you need help in applying, please speak to a member of the office team

The deadline to apply for your child's secondary school place is fast approaching

Apply online by **31 October 2023**
rochdale.gov.uk/SchoolAdmissions

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SAVE THE DATE!

Tuesday 17th October

EYFS and KS1 parents – Time: 9:00-10:00

KS2 parents - Time: 2:00-3:00

All parents/carers welcome - come along for an exclusive performance!



The **school photographer** will be in school on **Monday 16th October** for all pupils to have their individual photos taken.

If you would like your children to have a sibling photo taken, please take all of your children to either the infant or junior hall between 8.00am-8.30am. Anyone not in the queue by 8.30am will be unable to have a sibling photo taken. Bring your best smiles!

Year 6 parents/carers are reminded that they are welcome to watch their children playing a djembe drum on **Wednesday 18th October** at 3pm for approximately 15-30 minutes.

Also, there are spaces for anyone wanting to start brass lessons with a visiting brass teacher, Mr Murtagh. There is a cost for these lessons. Please speak to the office staff if you are interested.

DON'T FORGET TO BOOK YOUR CHILD'S CHRISTMAS DINNER ON THE SCHOOL GATEWAY APP.

This year for Christmas dinner **all bookings** are to be made on the school gateway app. (whether you are entitled to Free School Meals, Pay for meals or get Universal infant meals).

If your child usually has a packed lunch from home you can choose for them to have a Christmas dinner on this day by completing the booking form on the app.

Please book as soon as possible so that our kitchen have the number required to place food orders. **You must book before 12 o'clock, midday, on 24th November.**



Please follow us on Facebook



Have you downloaded the **SCHOOL GATEWAY APP** yet?

It is the best way to communicate with us at school.

Any problems, please ask at the school office.

Wellie, wellies, wellies!

It's that time of year again! Nursery are collecting spare wellies ready for all those rainy days ahead. If you have any spare wellies that your children have grown out of, please send them into school. Thank you!



*We Need
Your Support!*



Dates for your Diary:



Date	Time	Event
16/10/23	Morning	School Photos
17/10/23	9am – 10am	EYFS and KS1 Performance
17/10/23	2pm – 3pm	KS2 Performance
17/10/23	Afternoon (until 4:45)	Y5/6 football at Hollin Primary
18/10/23	After school – 15-30 minutes	Y6 Children playing Drums
20/10/23	Morning	Y1 visit to Spotland Library
23/10/23 – 27/10/23	School Closed	October Half Term 🎃 🧛 🕷️ 🕸️
15/11/23	All Day	Intra Health Flu Vaccines
22/11/23	9am – 11am/1.30pm-3pm	School Open Day
11/12/23	After school – 15-30 minutes	Y5 Children playing Drums
13/12/23	After school – 15-30 minutes	Y4 Children playing Drums



External Activities :

We have received activity flyers from the following companies/venues recently.

Ask at the office reception for more information if you are interested in attending.

Date	Event	Company Name and/or Venue
Every Saturday	Reception Football	Next Level Sports Coaching
23-27 October	Halloween Camp	Next Level Sports Coaching
Various	Football Sessions at Newhouse Academy	Next Level Sports Coaching
23-25 October	Multi-Activity Sessions	Norden Community School
Various – Oct/Nov/Dec	Coffee Mornings	The Neurodiversity Hub
Various - November	Speech, Language and Communication Drop-in Sessions	NHS

Late Arrivals This Week:

A total of **46** children were late this week.
An increase of 10 from last week.

Whenever possible, book appointments **AFTER** school

DAY	NUMBER OF LATE CHILDREN
Monday 9 th	9
Tuesday 10 th	8
Wednesday 11 th	13 – mainly traffic and taxi issues
Thursday 12 th	10
Friday 13 th	6 – mainly taxi issues



Please ensure your child arrives in good time to enter the class room at 8:45 am

If it is a wet morning, traffic is likely to be worse, so please try to set off earlier to get here on time. If you are relying on a taxi service, book slightly earlier than needed to ensure you arrive at school in good time.

If a child is late, we must know the EXACT reason why this has happened. Writing "LATE" when signing is in not acceptable. Why is your child late?

Well done to everyone who is managing to get to school on time every day. Thank you.

