

# Shawclough Community School Newsletter

# **Upcoming Events 2023**

## September

18/09/2023 Year 5 Welcome Meeting 27/09/2023 Parent Workshop - Sleep Issues

#### October

02/10/2023 Yr 4 Visit to Healey Dell 06/10/2023 Food Bank Non-Uniform - Bring in a tin

13/10/2023 School Photos - Individuals 9th-13th October Phase 3 Parent/Carer Update Calls

16th-20th October Phase 2 Parent/Carer Update Calls

17/10/2023 EYFS Reading Meeting 8:45am & 4pm

20/10/2023 Whole School Rockstar Dress Up Day

20/10/2023 Yr 4 Parent Assembly 23rd-27th October Half Term

#### November

13/11/2023 Y5 Parent Assembly 21/11/2023 Parent Workshop - Low Mood 23/11/2023 Flu Vaccinations- For those who have given consent

#### December

07/12/2023 Y6 Parent Carol Concert 08/12/2023 2:15pm Nursery Christmas performance 12/12/2023 Reception Christmas Performance 20/12/2023 Children Christmas Dinner 21/12/2023 Christmas Party Day 21/12/2023 1pm Finish for Children

#### **Phones**

When picking your child up from the office for safeguarding reasons please can you make sure that phone calls are not being made.

### **Welcome Meetings**

We would like to invite parents to an information meeting on:

Year 5 Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September

The meeting will begin at 8:45am and last approximately half an hour.

There is no charge for parents attending the meeting, however you will need to book on via the School Gateway App.

We look forward to meeting you.

For those who could not make any of the previous welcome meetings the PowerPoints will be sent out to all parents on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September.

#### **School Attendance**

Requests for holidays during term time will not be authorised unless in exceptional circumstances, so please ensure that holidays are not taken in term time.

Last year we issued a record number of Fixed Penalty Fines when children had a holiday in term time and we will continue to do so this year, if necessary.

#### Lateness

School begins at 8:40 a.m. If your child arrives at school after this time it is recorded as 'late' and if after 9.10 a.m. this is recorded as an unauthorised absence.

I encourage you to drop your child off as the doors open at 8.30 a.m. If you arrive at school after 8.40 a.m., please bring your child to the main office.

We kindly ask that when entering and leaving the site that the pedestrian gate is not pulled or pushed.

#### **Lost Reading and Library Books**

If your child loses their reading or library book, a slip will be sent home with your child, outlining the name of the book to help you to find and return the book.

#### **Shawclough PTA**

Please get in touch with the school if you are interested in joining the school PTA.

#### **Year 6 High School Applications**

We would like to remind Year 6 parents please remember to look at high school websites as the open days for next September 2024 are starting to be advertised.

The application process has also started which can be found following the link https://www.rochdale.gov.uk/schooladmissions-appeals/apply-secondaryschool-place

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September – The online admission system opens for secondary school places.

Tuesday 31st October 2023- Closing date for useful using the link below. applications

Ensure your secondary school application is <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/ev0B5ErrKS">https://forms.office.com/e/ev0B5ErrKS</a> submitted before this date. Otherwise, you will need to apply for a late application.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023- Last date for any changes to the address in your application.

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024 – National Offer Day

#### **Packed Lunches**

If your child has a packed lunch, please bear the following advice in mind:

A balanced meal would consist, in the view of the Rochdale Healthy Schools group, of:

- A drink
- A carbohydrate food, such as bread, potatoes, rice, pasta or noodles
- Fruit and vegetables try to include 2-3 different fruits or vegetables each day
- A protein food such as chicken, turkey, fish, ham, egg, cheese or hummus
- A dairy food such a milk, yoghurt, cheese or fromage frais

#### Packed lunches should not include:

- Fizzy drinks or glass bottles for safety reasons.
- Chocolate bars (e.g. Dairy Milk, Mars Bar etc. Kit Kat, Blue Riband, Penguin bars etc are OK ) or Sweets

# FREE Parent/Carer workshops - Wellbeing

Dear Parents/Carers,

This year, we would like to invite you to join us to take part in some free, friendly workshops to share some guidance and support about family wellbeing. All the workshops are run by Victoria Greenhalgh who works for the NHS, alongside our school staff.

Free refreshments will be provided on each day.

You can book onto whichever workshops you may find

Session 1 - Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 8:45-10:45 – Making sure your child gets a good night's sleep and sleeping issues.

Session 2- Tuesday 21st November 2023 at 8:45-10:45 -Feelings and mood changes

Session 3 - Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 8:45-10:45 -Parent and Carer self-care

Session 4 - Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 ay 8:45-10:45 -What is anxiety and how can I help? We welcome this opportunity for home and school to continue to work together to help our children and hope you will be able to join us.