

Shawclough Community School Newsletter

Issue 19

Week ending 06/02/26



To contact us about anything regarding this newsletter please call us on 01706 647 991 or email office@shawclough.rochdale.sch.uk

NURSERY APPLICATIONS – SEPT 2026

We offer Nursery places for children aged two, three and four years old. Both funded and privately paid.

We currently have a number of 2-year-old afternoon places available in April.

We are still accepting late applications for September with a further cut off dated **4th April 2026.**

Applications received on or before 15th January's are now being processed and Play Date details will be emailed out soon.

If you are interested in applying, please email office@shawclough.rochdale.sch.uk and request an application pack. Alternatively, you can pop into the office for a paper copy.

****HIGH IMPORTANCE****



ALLERGIES

Due to a high number of allergies. Please ensure you **check and check again** what your children are bringing into school or what it is you are packing in their lunches, **with special attention to nuts and products that may contain nuts.**

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STARBOOKS

2ND – 11TH FEBRUARY



Its Starbooks time again, starting with year 6. Please come along and read with your child for a short period of time on the morning of their Starbooks event.

The event takes place in the dining hall in a comfortable and enjoyable environment. Your child's class will also be doing a short performance for the parents, based on something they are reading/learning in the classes.

They will be a number of books for you and your child to choose from or maybe they would like to read their reading book with you. Let's help our children to become confident readers with a love for books.

Event Dates: Year 6 2nd Feb (ended)

Year 5 3rd Feb (ended)

Year 4 4th Feb (ended)

Year 3 9th Feb

Year 2 10th Feb

Year 1 11th Feb

Shawclough School & PTA are on



ATTENDANCE

Attendance (%) for week ending 06/02/26

RUBY/SAPPHIRE	100.0
RECEPTION BLUE	99.5
3 AMBER	98.8
GOLD	98.8
2 CIRAL	97.9
5 CHERRY	97.4
6 SCARLET	97.2
RAINFOREST	96.7
4 ORANGE	96.0
3 LEMON	95.4
4 YELLOW	95.0
2 SUNSHINE	94.4
6 RED	93.9
5 POPPY	93.3
1 LAVENDER	93.2
RECEPTION TURQUOISE	87.4
1 PURPLE	87.4

**GOOD JOB RUBY & SAPPHIRE
CLASSES
– WELL DONE GUYS!**

ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 06.02.26

Phase 1 – SULEIMAN JABED - RT



Phase 2 – ILHAN ASHED – 1P



Phase 3 – ALIZA USMAN – 4Y



Rainbow – GEORGE RICHMOND-BURNELL
- RUBY



Rainforest – REINA EL HAJJ HASSAN



These children had 100% attendance and punctuality last week and received a certificate and badge.

Congratulations!

EVERY SCHOOL DAY MATTERS

Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are Changing!

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after 19th August 2024.

Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice Fines will now be issued to each parent, for each child that was absent.

For example; 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty notice is issued for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance, the amount will be:

- £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.
- Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrate's Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate, due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education.'

5 Consecutive Days of Term Time Leave

Penalty Notice Fines will be issued for Term Time Leave of 5 or more consecutive days. INSET training days are school days and can be included in the 5 or more consecutive days where there was intent to be absent for term time leave.

10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period.

Second Offence

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance the amount will be:

- £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.



PEEK AT the week – Year 4



Year 4 have been learning about teeth.

190 DAYS
100%



Very best chance of success

183 DAYS
96%



Off to a flying start

179 DAYS
94%



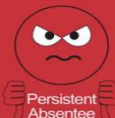
Less chance of success

175 DAYS
92%



Harder to make progress

More than 18 days absence less than 90%



Persistent Absentee (Not fair on your child)

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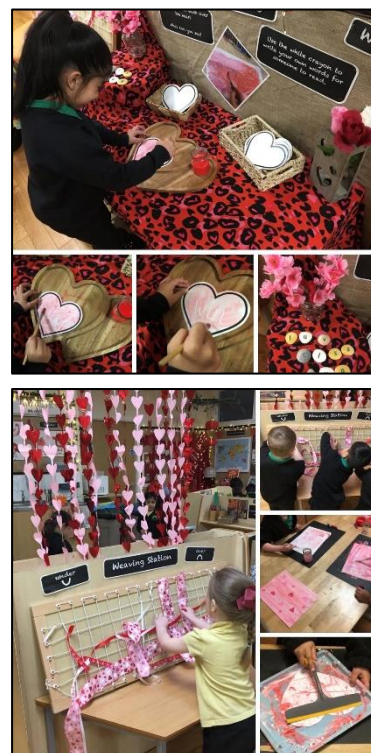


PEEK AT THE WEEK – STARBOOKS YEAR 5



There was a great turnout for year 5 Starbooks. They started off with a tea and biscuits and then a wonderful performance of a poem. Finishing off with some time to share a book with parents.

PEEK AT THE WEEK – RECEPTION



Reception have been doing some valentines themed activities. Making invites and magic writing.

PARKING

Parking around the school has become an issue **AGAIN**. Please refrain from parking across people's driveways, on double yellow lines and anywhere that is illegal.

The school receives complaints daily from local residents about careless and inconsiderate parking. The school will NOT take responsibility for any parking tickets you may receive or reports to the police.

Parents are also still arguing with each other over parking often resulting in obscene language and heated confrontations – in front of our school children.

THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE.

As parents we should be setting an example. We understand that parking spaces are few around the school but there is plenty of space on Whitworth Road and Paton Street. It's only a short walk.

All we ask is that you be mindful and use your common sense.

STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's stars have been awarded for

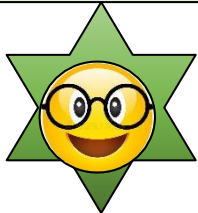
PRESENTATION

Someone who has made an improved, sustained effort or maintained consistently high standards, around the presentation of their work.



Nursery
Aria Mudassar

Reception Blue
Zaynah Anwar



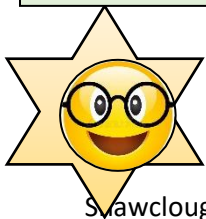
Reception Turquoise
Bohdan Ptashnyk

Year 1 Purple
Muhammah Ayaan Ghauri



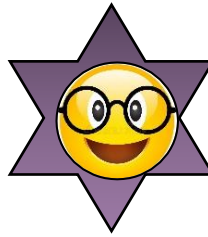
Year 1 Lavender
Zayan Al-Qasmi

Year 2 Sunshine
Mehroosh Ali



Year 2 Coral
Adyan Ali

Year 3 Lemon
Aydin Arshad



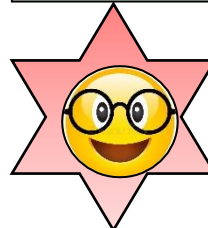
Year 3 Amber
Inara Khaliq-Iqbal

Year 4 Yellow
Husnain Akbar



Year 4 Orange
Karima Tabet Rthimi

Year 5 Cherry
Hussain Akbar



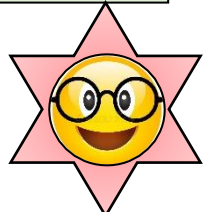
Year 5 Poppy
Zaid Javid

Year 6 Scarlet
Samia Rani



Year 6 Red
Salah Hussain

Rainbow
Imaan Junaid

























Rainforest
Jordan Moreira Sambu










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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY










FEBRUARY			
9 th	Starbooks		Yr. 3
9 th	PTA clothes collection – Donate your all clothes 'Clothes4Sammy'		Whole School
10 th	Starbooks		Yr. 2
10 th	Safer Internet Day		Whole School
11 th	Starbooks		Yr. 1
11 th	Swimming		Yr. 3
11 th	Rochdale Parent carers Voice Coffee morning		All Parents welcome
TBC	Decorate a plate for World Book Day – details coming home.		Whole School
13 th	Half term		Whole school
18 th	Start of Ramadan – please fill out a consent form if you wish your child to fast after half term		Yr. 6 only
23 rd	Welcome Back		Whole school
25 th	Swimming		Yr. 3
28 th	PTA Leavers Hoodies Order form deadline		Yr. 6




MARCH			
4 th	Class Photos		Whole School
4 th	Swimming		Yr. 3
5 th	World Book Day – dress as your fav book character		Whole school
11 th	Swimming		Yr. 3
TBC	PTA Mothers Day Pop Up Shop – Rainforest classroom		Whole school
16 th	Viking Day & Parent Breakfast		Yr. 5
16 th	Parents Afternoon/evening		Yr. 1
17 th	Parents Afternoon/evening		Yr. 6
18 th	World Down Syndrome Day – Odd socks day!		Whole School
18 th	Parents Afternoon/evening		Yr. 2

18 th	Swimming		Yr. 3
TBC	Eid – Please ensure you fill out an absence slip		Whole School
TBC	Eid parties – party clothes		Whole school
20 th	Red Nose Day		Whole school
24 th	Parents Afternoon/evening		Yr. 3
25 th	Parents Afternoon/evening		Yr. 5
25 th	Swimming		Yr. 3
26 th	Parents Afternoon/evening		Yr. 4
27 th	Egyptian Day		Yr. 4

APRIL			
1 st	Autism Awareness Day		Whole School
1 st	Swimming		Yr. 3
2 nd	Easter break – 1pm Finish		Whole School
20 th	Welcome Back		Whole School
22 nd	Swimming		Yr. 3
TBC	PTA Wonka Bar Challenge – Rainforest Classroom.		Whole school
29 th	Swimming		Yr. 3

MAY			
4 th	Bank Holiday		Whole School
6 th	Swimming		Yr. 3
13 th	Swimming		Yr. 3
15 th	Residential Parent/Carer Meeting		Yr. 6
18 th	Parent Breakfast		Reception
19 th	Sports Day		Yr. 6 & Yr. 1
20 th	Swimming		Tr. 3
TBC	Residential		Yr. 6
22 nd	Half term		Whole School

JUNE			
1 st	Welcome Back		Whole school
1 st -5 th	Bikeability week		Yr. 6
TBC	Rochdale Visit		Yr. 5
3 rd	Swimming		Yr. 3
10 th	Swimming		Yr. 3
17 th	Swimming		Yr. 3
18 th	Eureka Trip		Yr. 1
TBC	PTA Fathers Day Pop up Shop – Rainforest		Whole School
24 th	Swimming		Yr. 3
30 th	Beach Trip		Yr. 2

JULY			
1 st	Swimming		Yr 3
3 rd	Sleepover		Yr. 5
TBC	Transition Day		Whole School
7 th	Transition Day		Whole School
8 th	Swimming		Yr. 3
TBC	PTA host The Leavers Party at Thrum Hall Church		Yr. 6
14 th	Ribchester Trip		Yr. 3
14 th	Final Performance		Yr. 6
16 th	Leavers Assembly		Yr. 6
17 th	Summer Break – 1pm Finish		Whole School

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE – YOU ARE ADVISED TO CHECK THE CALENDER REGULARLY

PEEK AT THE WEEK - RAINBOW



Look who came for a nosey and some seed, whilst Ruby were in the middle of Maths. It's the first Bullfinch they've seen so far this year.

PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 1



Year 1 Trip to ChristChurch Healey

PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 5



Year 5 have been painting in the style of Jackson Pollock and have also been following maps to locate checkpoints in orienteering.

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COMMUNITY NEWS



Parties
Cooking classes
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10+ role play areas
Large room available to hire
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SEND PARENT CARER COFFEE MORNING

11TH FEBRUARY
4TH MARCH
20TH MAY
10TH JUNE
9.30 - 11.30 AM

Are you a parent/carers at Shawclough Primary School in Rochdale?
Are you the parent/carers of a SEN child or a child with rising SEN needs?
Come along to the coffee morning to get friendly advice and help from RPCV
Conenct with other services. Attend mini workshops and meet other parents/carers.

The Umbrella Sessions

Information and support for parents and carers of children and young people with Neurodiversity
NO DIAGNOSIS NEEDED

- Has your child got a diagnosis of ADHD or Autism?
- Are you on the way to getting a diagnosis?
- Are you on the Neurodiversity Journey?

ANSWERED YES TO ANY OF THESE?
Then the Umbrella sessions are for you

The sessions will use person-centred approaches to build understanding of your child's Neurodiversity and increase resilience to support them on their journey in a positive and empowering way

Sessions are at Spotland Bridge Mill, Rochdale, OL11 5BU
Neurodiversity and school
Tuesday January 13th 10-12 or 6-8pm

Sensory challenges and strategies to support
Thursday January 15th 6.30-8.30pm

Neurodiversity All about it - part 1, Information
Wednesday March 4th 11-1pm
Neurodiversity All about It - Part 2, strategies
Wednesday March 11th 12-2pm

Please book Sessions via Eventbrite or
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 **OUR 50th**
ANNIVERSARY

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 **NODA**

- FREE DROP IN SESSION
- NO SIGN UP
- TALK OR LISTEN - UP TO YOU



- NO DIAGNOSIS NEEDED TO ATTEND
- ADULTS ONLY

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MANCHESTER M25 2SW

TIMETABLE 2026

THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY 7.30PM-9PM
THURSDAY 19TH MARCH 7.30PM-9PM
THURSDAY 21ST MAY 7.30PM-9PM
THURSDAY 16TH JULY 7.30PM-9PM
THURSDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER 7.30PM-9PM
THURSDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 7.30PM-9PM

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Rochdale Parent Carers 



Our Strength Is Our Shared Experience

Rochdale Parent Carers 

February Coffee Session

Tuesday 10th
February 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

Laura and Dawn from Yunique Talent - an
AQA Accredited Training Centre offering
Alternative Provision, E-Learning and
Blended Learning

CAMHS Quality Assurance to gain feedback
from Parent Carers

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.

CLOTHES COLLECTION – WHOLE SCHOOL

Help PTA make
this collection
bigger than the
last one!



Have you got any old clothes, shoes,
bags etc. that you no longer need but
are in good condition? If so, please
donate them to Sammy's Project. Your
child will bring home a bag next week,
fill it, add any addition bags and bring
to school the morning (only) of
Monday 9th February.

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