

Our main aim is a love of life and learning happiness is the key and our children's happiness, safety, security and love are at the heart of our achievements for each individual child.

# Shawclough Community School Newsletter

Issue 31

Week ending 15/5/26



For any queries or questions regarding this newsletter please call us on 01706 647 991 or email [office@shawclough.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:office@shawclough.rochdale.sch.uk)

**#Get ready with Teddy**

Prepare your child with the key skills they need to transition from pre-school to reception.

Come along to our fun and interactive sessions which will help your child to:

- Grow their independence
- Build relationships and communication skills
- Enhance physical development
- Get into a healthy routine

Don't forget to bring along your teddy too.

**#GetReadyWithTeddy**

For more information visit [www.ourrochdale.org.uk/GetReadyWithTeddy](http://www.ourrochdale.org.uk/GetReadyWithTeddy) or scan the QR code.

## 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.**

As part of mental health week, Ruby class have been learning about how to look after their mental health.

Mental health awareness week.

PIC•COLLAGE

<https://shawclough.rochdale.sch.uk/>

Shawclough School & PTA are on



## ATTENDANCE

Attendance (%) for week ending 8/5/26

<b>SAPPHIRE</b>	<b>100.0</b>
3 LEMON/2 CORAL	99.1
6 RED	99.0
6 SCARLET	98.1
5 CHERRY/RECEPTION BLUE	97.4
3 AMBER	97.0
1 LAVENDAR	96.8
5 POPPY	96.2
1 PURPLE	95.7
2 SUNSHINE	95.4
RECEPTION TURQUOISE	94.7
4 ORANGE	94.2
RAINFOREST	94.7
RUBY	92.9
4 YELLOW	90.0
GOLD	78.1

**GOOD JOB SAPPHIRE  
– WELL DONE GUYS!**

## 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.



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)

## ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 8.5.26

Faris Shah - Reception



Matei Grigore - Year 1



Jamil Khan - Year 2



Isabelle Higgins - Year 3



Amaya Nawabi - Year 4



Ayesha Hammad - Year 5



Danish Ahmed - Year 6



Arnie Dawson - Rainbow



Musa Ali - Rainforest



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# PEEK AT THE WEEK - RECEPTION

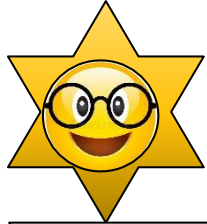


Reception had some eggs this week that they looked after and hatched during the week. They kept the eggs warm in an incubator. The children watched all week as one egg after another hatched and finally all the chicks made it into the world. The best part was getting to hold the chicks when they were strong enough to come out of the



# STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's stars are for...  
Teachers choice.



**Nursery**  
**Mishal Farooq Iram**  
For being kind and caring to younger children

**Reception Blue**  
**Ayaan Zakar**  
For being interested in and caring for the natural world



**Reception Turquoise**  
**Elliyeen Asam**  
For being brave and resilient

**Year 1 Purple**  
**Dominic Matei**  
For playing with his friends in class.



**Year 1 Lavender**  
**Zayan Al Qasmi**  
For working hard on his handwriting and presentation of his work.

**Year 2 Sunshine**  
**Hira Haroon**  
For being a kind and caring friend.



**Year 2 Coral**  
**Zakariya Khan**  
For demonstrating a positive attitude towards learning

**Year 3 Lemon**  
**Arisa Muhammad**  
For working hard in maths



**Year 3 Amber**  
**Isabelle Higgins**  
For completing brilliant leaflet about the Romans

**Year 4 Yellow**  
**Mohammed Zaydaan**  
For contributions in lessons and working hard.



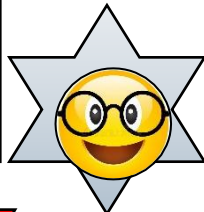
**Year 4 Orange**  
**Adam Ali**  
For helping his friends and showing an improved love for learning

**Year 5 Cherry**  
**Hussain Akbar**  
For his impressive use of place value vocabulary in Maths



**Year 5 Poppy**  
**Yusaf Sajjad**  
For excellent commitment to learning and trying hard to make good choices

**Year 6 Scarlet**  
**Saad Asif**  
For being punctual and working hard this week



**Year 6 Red**  
**Yahya Rayi**  
For dedication to his revision and his diligence during his SATs.

**Rainbow**  
**Imaan Junaid**



**Rainforest**  
**Musa Ali**

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# CROSS SAFELY WITH YOUR SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL

★ STOP • LOOK • LISTEN • THINK ★

Our School Crossing Patrol is here to help you cross the road safely. Please follow these simple rules every day:

1. Stop at the kerb – Stand back from the edge of the pavement. Wait for the Patrol to step into the road.
2. Listen carefully – Cars can be quiet! Listen for traffic.
3. Wait for the Patrol to signal – Only cross when told it is safe. Do NOT cross until the stop sign is raised.
4. Walk — don't run – Walk straight across, keep looking and listening.
5. Thank your Patrol! – A smile or wave makes their day.



### DO NOT:

- Run into the road
- Push or play near traffic
- Cross behind or in front of vehicles
- Cross without waiting for instruction

Working together to keep you safe!

## PEEK AT THE WEEK – RECEPTION



Reception have been learning about Earth Day. They planted sunflower seeds, learned about the life cycle of the bee and used green and blue play dough to make models of the Earth.

<https://shawclough.rochdale.sch.uk/>

## PTA

**SHAWCLOUGH SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR 2026**

**June 16<sup>th</sup> 2026**

**Craft stalls, henna, sweet stall, balloons, ice cream, rides, tombola, games, barbeque, bowling, crazy golf and much more!**

**3.15PM IN THE MAIN YARD**

**FREE ENTRY**

### FOR STALLS ENQUIRE AT THE OFFICE.

Would you like to volunteer at the summer fair or have time to help the PTA out? Why not come along to the next PTA meeting.

You may be new parents to the school and not aware of the PTA or what we do or have done in the past.

Believe it or not this will be our first summer fair in 6 years. We had 2 summer fairs prior to Covid and things slowed down drastically.


A lot of parents think that there's not enough going on and that other schools do more – but they have stronger PTA's and volunteers groups to organise these things.

If you can spare some time, we can organise more and raise more money, so that our children can do more!






Shawclough School & PTA are on
















## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

17 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Break – 1pm Finish		Whole School
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**PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE – YOU ARE ADVISED TO CHECK THE CALENDER REGULARLY**

MAY			
19 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day		Yr. 6 & Yr. 1
20 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming		Tr. 3
20 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Breakfast		Reception
21 <sup>st</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup>	Residential		Yr. 6
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Half term		Whole School

JUNE			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Welcome Back		Whole school
1 <sup>st</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>	Bike-ability week		Yr. 6
TBC	Rochdale Visit		Yr. 5
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
5 <sup>th</sup>	Non uniform – bring a bottle instead of a £		Whole school
10 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
12 <sup>th</sup>	Non-uniform – bring in chocolate instead of £		Whole school
16 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Fair		Whole School
17 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
18 <sup>th</sup>	Eureka Trip		Yr. 1
TBC	PTA Fathers Day Pop up Shop – Rainforest		Whole School
24 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
30 <sup>th</sup>	Beach Trip		Yr. 2

JULY			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Swimming		Yr 3
3 <sup>rd</sup> TBC	Sleepover		Yr. 5
7 <sup>th</sup> TBC	Transition Day		Whole School
8 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
TBC	PTA host The Leavers Party at Thrum Hall Church		Yr. 6
14 <sup>th</sup>	Ribchester Trip		Yr. 3
14 <sup>th</sup>	Final Performance		Yr. 6
16 <sup>th</sup>	Goodbye Yr. 6 - Leavers Assembly		Yr. 6

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

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



**SEND DADS SOCIETY**

- NO DIAGNOSIS NEEDED TO ATTEND
- ADULTS ONLY

**HEATON PARK GOLF CLUB, MIDDLETON RD, PRESTWICH, MANCHESTER M25 2SW**


## TIMETABLE 2026

**THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY 7.30PM-9PM**  
**THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> JULY 7.30PM-9PM**  
**THURSDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 7.30PM-9PM**  
**THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 7.30PM-9PM**

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 07940 560655  
 FACEBOOK PAGE: SEND DADS SOCIETY







## SEND PARENT CARER COFFEE MORNING

**20<sup>TH</sup> MAY**  
**10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**  
**SHAWCLOUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL,**  
**ROCHDALE**  
**9.30-11.30**

**Are you a parent/carer at Shawclough Primary School in Rochdale?**  
**Are you the parent/carer 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**  
**Connect with other services. Attend mini workshops and meet other parents/carers.**




### Sleep Support Drop-In Sessions at Family Hubs

Is your child or young person experiencing mild to moderate sleep difficulties?  
 Come along to our informal drop-in for friendly advice, practical tips and support.

No appointment needed  
 Open to all families  
 Relaxed, welcoming space

Hub	Date	Time
Howard St Family Hub OL12 0PP	Mon 20th April	9.30am-11.30am
Langley Family Hub M24 4LA	Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	12pm-2pm
Derby St Family Hub OL10 4QJ	Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	9.30am-11.30am
Newbold Family Hub OL16 5NL	Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am-11.30am

If you have any questions, please contact the SEND Advice Service on 0300 303 0380



*A support group for people who are living with a chronic health illness.*  
*Living with a chronic health issue can leave you feeling isolated even with existing support. This is a space for you.*  
*A place to talk openly and feel seen whilst connecting with others who understand.*

- Safe and confidential
- No judgement
- No pressure
- Just support

Email [chloedarling.supportivesouls@gmail.com](mailto:chloedarling.supportivesouls@gmail.com)

## ‘What Matters To Me’ Person Centred Planning Session

Person-centred thinking and planning tools can help to improve understanding, communication and relationships, supporting your neurodiverse child or young person to lead a full and fulfilling life based on their own aspirations and dreams.

This session is focused on helping individuals identify what really matters to them. Person-centred planning puts your child at the heart of every decision, supporting them to set meaningful goals, build on their strengths, and shape the life they want. This session will introduce simple tools, encouraging choice, confidence, and positive future planning.

Sessions will be held at:  
Spotland Bridge West Mill (2nd floor)  
Bridgefold Road (off Mellor Street)  
Rochdale, OL11 5BU

Monday June 8<sup>th</sup> 10-12noon  
Monday June 8<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm



Sessions are booked via  
Eventbrite - search for  
Umbrella sessions or email  
rochdaleumbrellasessions@outlook.com



**BURY**  
GRAMMAR SCHOOL

For pupils starting Senior School in September 2027

## SENIOR SCHOOL EXPERIENCE DAY FOR YEAR 5 PUPILS Tuesday 2nd June 2026



For more information or to reserve your place,  
please scan the QR code



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## 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 All about it - part 1, Information  
Monday April 27<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm  
Neurodiversity All about It - Part 2, strategies  
Monday May 11<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm  
Sensory challenges and strategies to support  
Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup> 12.30-2.30pm  
Sleep and Well being  
Monday June 8<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm



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**A COMMUNITY DAY FOR ALL**

Family  
Fun



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### A COMMUNITY DAY FOR ALL

Our free Universally Manchester Festival returns with fun activities for all!

Join us on **Saturday 13 June, 11am - 4:30pm** for a day of inspiration, curiosity and play. Get hands-on with science activities, creative sessions, tours, and engaging talks and performances. Meet our staff, students and community partners and together we'll explore what makes for a greener, healthier and fairer world for everyone.

From music to medicine, poetry to planets, and art to atoms there's plenty to discover and do – with activities on offer for all ages.

Our Universally Manchester Festival is free and open to everyone. Discover more of our family friendly activities at:  
[universallymanchester.com](http://universallymanchester.com)



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# DARUL MADINAH PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOL

**ADMISSIONS**

*Open*

**GOOD NEWS FOR  
RESIDENTS OF  
ROCHDALE AND  
SURROUNDING CITIES**

**PRIMARY SCHOOL  
STARTING WITH YEAR 1  
FOR BOYS AND GIRLS**

**SECONDARY SCHOOL  
STARTING WITH YEAR 7  
FOR GIRLS**

**STARTING: SEPTEMBER 2026**

**📍 RICHMOND HALL, LOMAX ST, ROCHDALE OL12 OJR**

**FOR ADMISSIONS**

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