

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 02 Autumn Term
Week ending 18/9/26



For any queries or questions regarding this newsletter please call us on 01706 647 991 or email office@shawclough.rochdale.sch.uk

IS YOUR CHILDREN GOING TO HIGH SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2027?

Applications for High School places for Sept 2027 – NOW OPEN!

To do this you will need to visit the Rochdale Council School Admissions website and make an online application. The deadline for applications is 31st October 2026

<https://www.rochdale.gov.uk/school-admissions-appeals/apply> secondary-schoolplace

Please see the end of this newsletter for High School Open Day Events.

YEAR 6 CAREERS EVENT

Have you or anyone you know got an exciting job/Career?

On September 20th we will be holding our Careers Event for year 6. We are looking for people to come along, speak to them and inspire them about their futures.

Please get in touch with Mrs Oldham in year 6 or ring/email the office.

PARENT COFFEE MORNING

There will be a coffee more for parent to attend who have any concerns about their child, needs and support at school. There will be another one shortly for parent with SEND concerns.

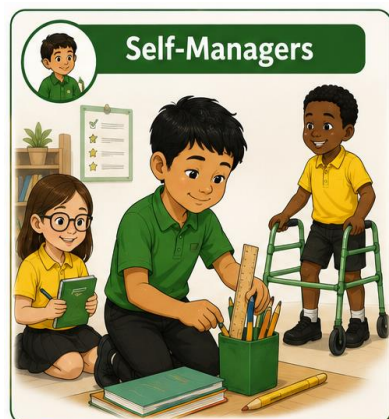
**Wednesday 24th September 2025 –
9:30am**

All welcome

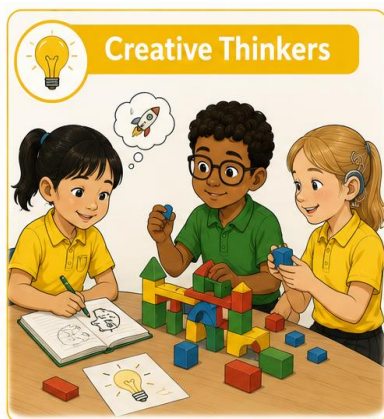
****HIGH IMPORTANCE****

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.**

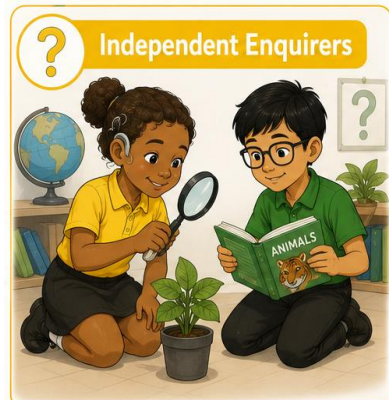
SCHOOL DRIVERS



Self-Managers



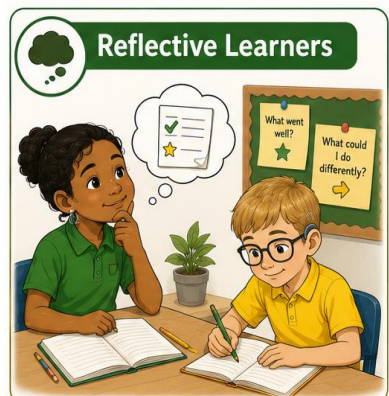
Creative Thinkers



Independent Enquirers



Team Workers



Reflective Learners



Effective Participants

What are School Drivers?

Our school drivers help us learn to learn. This half term we are working on being self-managers.

STOP BULLYING

HOW TO KNOW:

SEVERAL TIMES ON PURPOSE

WHAT TO DO:

START TELLING OTHER PEOPLE

4 TYPES OF BULLYING:

- PHYSICAL**
- VERBAL**
- SOCIAL**
- CYBER**

WHO COULD YOU TELL?

- A TRUSTED ADULT
- THE WORRY BOX OR MONSTER

Shawclough Community School

AT SHAWCLOUGH, WE PLEDGE TO STAND TOGETHER TO SAY NO TO BULLYING!

IS IT PE TODAY?

Children in years 1-6 can come to school in their PE kits. Children need to wear a plain black T-shirt, Black Jogging pants, leggings or shorts, their school jumper or fleece and trainers. Please bring school pumps for indoor PE in a bag labelled with your child's name and class.

Monday – Year 6 and Year 1 Purple Class

Tuesday – Year 3

Wednesday – Year 5

Thursday – Year 4

Friday – Year 2 and Year 1 Lavender

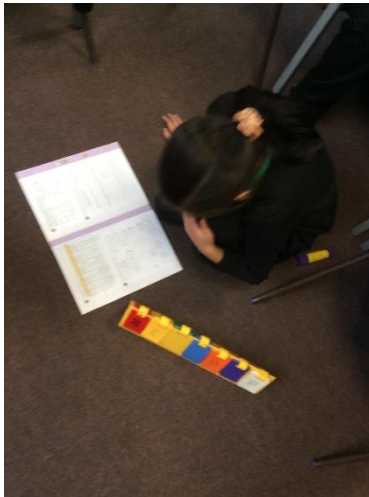
Children in Rainbow, please come in school uniform every day and we will continue to get changed on our PE days.

Children in Rainforest and Reception classes, don't need a PE kit.

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PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 5



Year 5 have been using flip value charts to help in Maths activities.

RIDING A BIKE TO SCHOOL?

⚠️ STOP, LOOK, WALK! ⚠️

🚲 Riding a bike near a School Crossing Patrol?

✅ Please get off your bike and walk it across. ✅

According to the Highway Code (Rule 81), cyclists should not ride across pedestrian crossings or through a School Crossing Patrol crossing point. Cyclists should dismount and wheel their bike across safely.

💡 Why is this important?

👤 Keeps Children Safe

School crossing patrols are there to help children cross the road safely. Riding through a crossing can put pedestrians at risk.

🚶 Protects Other Pedestrians

Walking with your bike gives you better control and helps prevent accidents.

🚲 Better Control

Bikes can move quickly and unexpectedly. Dismounting reduces the risk of collisions in busy school areas.

🚦 Supports the School Crossing Patrol

Crossing patrols are trained to manage pedestrian crossings—not moving cyclists. Walking your bike helps them keep everyone safe.

📋 Follows the Highway Code

Getting off your bike at a school crossing is the safe and responsible thing to do.

⚠️ THINK SAFETY ⚠️

🛑 STOP

🚶 GET OFF YOUR BIKE

🚲 WALK IT ACROSS

😊 KEEP EVERYONE SAFE

Thank you for helping our School Crossing Patrol keep Pedestrians safe! 🙏



CORRECT SCHOOL UNIFORM

School uniform can be worn in a number of combinations. Please see some examples below of what your child can wear.



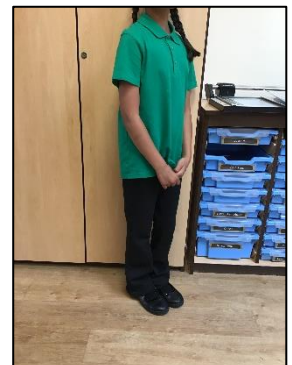
Black pinafore
Black cardigan
Green polo shirt



Black fleece
Black pants
Yellow polo shirt



Black fleece
Green polo shirt
Black pants



Green polo shirt
Black pants



Black cardigan
Yellow polo shirt
Black skirt

Black shoes/trainers
Black/grey/white/
Tights



ATTENDANCE

Attendance (%) for week ending

GOLD, SAPPHIRE, RUBY, 4 ORANGE	100.0
3 AMBER	99.6
2 SUNSHINE	98.5
RECEPTION TURQUOISE	97.9
3 LEMON	97.8
1 LAVENDER	97.7
RECEPTION BLUE	97.5
5 CHERRY	96.9
6 RED	96.2
RAINFOREST	94.4
1 PURPLE	93.9
5 POPPY	93.3
2 CORAL	93.2
6 SCARLET	90.8
4 YELLOW	88.0

**GOOD JOB RAINBOW AND
ORANGE CLASS
– 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

RECEPTION – RAYAN



YEAR 1 – USMAN ZAKAR



AL QASMI



YEAR 2 – TEAGAN BEVAN



YEAR 3 – AMBER HUSSAIN



YEAR 4 – ISAAC KHAYUM



YEAR 5 – MAIDA RAHMAN



YEAR 6 – GEORGE HUSBAND



RAINBOW – LOGAN REILLY QUEST



RAINFOREST – JORDEN MOREIRA SAMBU



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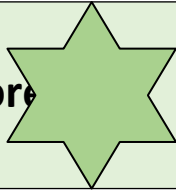
STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's stars are for...
Being kind and considerate to others.

Nursery

Danny Raz & Tudor Grigore

For settling into nursery quickly



Reception Turquoise

Dua Amjad



Reception Blue

Ismaeel Hussain



Year 1 Purple

Harlow Sutcliffe

For being ready to learn.



Year 1 Lavender

Ayaan Zakar

For being responsible and making
Sensible choices



Year 2 Sunshine

Zahra Ikram



Year 2 Coral

Umaiza Tariq

For always being polite and
Respectful.



Year 3 Lemon

Mehroosh Ali



Year 3 Amber

Jack Binns



Year 4 Yellow

Subhan Jamil

Being respectful and using good
Manner.



Year 4 Orange

Mia Hardwick



Year 5 Cherry

Aliza Usman



Year 5 Poppy

Daisy Darling



Year 6 Scarlet

Ayaan Khan

For showing respect to others
And being a good role model



Year 6 Red

Ayeza Hussain

For being a wonderful role model



Rainbow

George Richmond Bunell



Rainforest

Emanuel Chinonyerem



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates subject to change

September

21 st	PSHCE Parent/Carer Information evening in the Hall	ALL
21	Bikeability week	Yr 6
29 th	Star books	Yr 6
30 th	Star books	Yr 5

October

1 st	Star books	Yr 4
2 nd	Healey Dell Geography trip	Yr 4
5 th	Food bank collection week	Whole school
6 th	Star books	Yr 3
7 th	Star books	Yr 2
8 th	Individual Picture Day	Whole school
8 th	Star books	Yr1
20 th	Careers Event	Yr 6
22 nd	Parent breakfast	Yr 5
23 rd	Half term	Whole school

November

2 nd	Welcome back	Whole school
3 rd	Reception Open Day Event	Reception
5 th	Parent breakfast	Yr 4
11	Odeon Cinema Trip	Yr 5
12	Nursery Rhyme Day	Nursery
13	Children in Need	Whole school
16	Odd Socks Day	Whole school
23 rd	Parents Meeting	Y1
24 th	Reel Cinema Trip	Rainbow
25 th	Early start session for parent – library	Nursery
25 th	Parent meetings	Reception
26 th	Parent Meetings	Yr 2
30 th	Parent meeting	Yr 4

December

1 st	Parent Meetings	Y5
2 nd	Parent Meetings	Y6
3 rd	Parent Meetings	Y3

11 th	Christmas Dinner/Jumper Day	TBC
18 th	Christmas Holidays End of Term	Whole school

January 2027

5 th	Welcome back for 2027- spring term	
8 th	Residential – Anderton Centre	Yr 6

February

3 rd	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
10 th	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
11 th	Eureka Trip	Yr 1
12 th	Half term	Whole School
22 nd	Welcome Back	Whole school
24 th	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3

March

3 rd	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
4 th	World Book Day	Whole School
10 th (TBC)	Eid-al-Fitr	Whole school
10 th	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
17 th	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
24 th (TBC)	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
25 th	End of Term - Easter Holidays	Whole school

April

12 th	Welcome back – Summer term	Whole school
21 st	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
22 nd	Ribchester Trip	Yr 3
28 th	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3

May

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3 rd	Bank Holiday	Whole school
	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
16 th (TBC)	Eid-al-Adha	Whole school
	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
25 th	Sports event	Yr 6 & Yr 1 only
	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
28 th	Half term	Whole school

June		
7 th	Welcome back	Whole School
9 th	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
16 th	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
23 rd	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
TBC	PTA SUMMER FAIR	Yr 3
30 th	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
30 th	Lytham St Anne's Trip	Yr 2

July		
6 th	Transition Day	Whole school
7 th	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
9 th	Performance	Yr 2
13 th	Performance	Yr 6
20 th	Leavers Assembly	Yr 6
20 th	Summer holidays – End of term	Whole school



The Umbrella sessions – Understanding Anxiety, triggers and strategies to build resilience

Neurodivergent people experience anxiety at significantly higher rates due to sensory overload, unpredictability, communication barriers, and social pressure. This workshop provides the understanding and tools needed to create calmer, safer, and more supportive environments.

Different minds • Shared belonging • Stronger support

What will parents learn?

- **Neurodivergent anxiety**, how it differs from neurotypical anxiety
- **Common triggers**, sensory, social, communication and executive functioning
- **Support strategies**, practical tools for home, school and social environments
- **Inclusive design**, creating calmer, predictable responses

Who is it for?

This session is for parents and carers who would like to better understand how anxiety presents, learn about common triggers and develop strategies to cope and build resilience

Dates– September 22nd 2026 6-8pm

or October 12th 9.30am-12 noon

Venue – Spotland Bridge Mill, (Floor 2) Mellor Street, Rochdale, OL11 5BU

Tel 07455 825540

Book on Eventbrite or email rochdaleumbrellasessions@outlook.com



The Umbrella sessions – Tools to Communicate - Social Stories™, Comic Strip Conversations™, and visual supports

This workshop explores how to use **Social Stories™**, **Comic Strip Conversations™**, and **visual supports** to improve social understanding, communication, and emotional regulation for neurodivergent individuals.

Different minds • Shared belonging • Stronger support

What will parents learn?

- How Social Stories™ help explain routines, expectations, and social situations
- How Comic Strip Conversations™ make thoughts, feelings, and conversations visible
- How visual supports reduce overwhelm and increase independence
- Step-by-step demonstrations of each approach

Who is it for?

This session is for parents and carers to discover how to turn invisible social information into clear, calm, visual guidance — helping neurodivergent children feel safer, more understood, and more prepared for daily life.

Date – October 8th 2026

Time - 6-8pm

Venue – Spotland Bridge Mill (Floor 2) Mellor Street, Rochdale, OL11 5BU

Tel 07455 825540



The Umbrella sessions – Neurodiversity 'All about it'

A friendly workshop for parents and carers to explore, understand, and celebrate different ways of thinking, learning, communicating, and experiencing the world.

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What will parents learn?

- **Understand** what neurodiversity means and why it matters
- **Explore** common neurodivergent profiles, including autism, ADHD, dyslexia, dyspraxia, and other profiles
- **Recognise** how children may experience communication, learning, emotions, and everyday routines differently
- **Discover** practical ways to support children at home and in school conversations
- **Celebrate** strengths, acceptance, confidence, and belonging

Who is it for?

This session is for parents and carers who would like to better understand neurodiversity and feel more confident supporting children with different needs, strengths, and ways of experiencing the world.

Date – October 5th 2026

Time – 9.30-12pm or 6-9pm

Venue – Spotland Bridge Mill, (Floor 2) Mellor Street, Rochdale, OL11 5BU

Tel 07455 825540

Book on Eventbrite or email rochdaleumbrellasessions@outlook.com



We Belong
We Co-operate
We Succeed



Come along to our OPEN EVENING

**Thursday 24 Sept 2026
5:00-7:00pm**

“Students are prepared well for their next stage in life.”

Ofted, February 2025



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Our Information and Guest Speaker Coffee Sessions Timetable

This is an opportunity to meet other SEND families, have a brew and a chat! Our RPCV Team are on hand to support. These sessions are structured and we have professionals and services attending to share information with families at different time slots

Tuesday 13th October

Tuesday 8th December

Tuesday 9th February

Tuesday 13th April

Tuesday 8th June

Rochdale Parent Carers

Voice

Second Floor

Spotland Bridge Mill

Mellor Street,

Rochdale

OL11 5BU

10am-12pm

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www.rochdaleparentcarersvoice.co.uk

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*Professionals and Services can join Facebook page: Rochdale Parent Carers Voice Professionals and Services Page

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

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



- NO DIAGNOSIS NEEDED TO ATTEND
- ADULTS ONLY

HEATON PARK GOLF CLUB, MIDDLETON RD, PRESTWICH,
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

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 07940 560655

FACEBOOK PAGE: SEND DADS SOCIETY

Rochdale Parent Carers



Our Parent Carer Social Coffee Sessions Timetable

This is a relaxed opportunity to meet other SEND families, have a brew and a chat! Our RPCV Team are on hand to support. SENDIASS Service will also be in one of our private rooms for parents to pop in for a chat and guidance if needed.

Tuesday 8th September

Tuesday 10th November

Tuesday 12th January

Tuesday 9th March

Tuesday 11th May

Tuesday 13th July

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ROCHDALE INCLUSIVE ACTIVITIES FAIR

Saturday 10th October 2026

2pm - 4pm

Heywood Sports Village

FREE Just Come Along!

For children & young people aged 0 - 25 with SEND & SEMH needs, their families and those that work to support them across the Rochdale Borough.

Meet Local Providers

Talk directly to Rochdale based activity providers from different locals.

Try Activities

Have a go at inclusive activities suitable for a wide range of needs.

Book Sessions

Sign up and arrange sessions that work for your child.



Shawclough School & PTA are on



BURY
GRAMMAR SCHOOL
AGE 3-18

OPEN EVENTS

Whole School
Thu 24th Sep
5pm - 8pm

Whole School
Sat 26th Sep
10am - 2pm



We look forward to seeing you there!

www.burygrammar.com | 0161 696 8600 |   

LSC

Giving children the best chance to reach their potential

MULTI-ACTIVITY AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

NOW AT SHAWCLOUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Monday - Friday

For all children in Reception - Year 6

Short sessions: 3:15pm - 4:30pm (£4.75)

Standard sessions: 3:15pm - 6:00pm (£7.50)

What to expect...

- ✓ Multi-Activity wraparound clubs combining sports, games, crafts & more
- ✓ After school snack and drink provided
- ✓ Engaging activities including construction, LEGO, arts & crafts, board games and more
- ✓ Sports including Dodgeball, Tennis, Cricket...

Scan to book



wearelsc.co.uk
info@wearelsc.co.uk
0800 032 1806

- ★ Safe & Consistent Staff
- ★ Varied & Engaging Activities
- ★ Easy & Flexible Booking

To Book a place please use the following link:

<https://wearelsc.co.uk/book>

BREAKFAST PICNIC
- WITH -
Santa
Mills Hill Baptist Church
Middleton, M24 2FD

Saturday 5th December 10:00am - 12:00pm

Join us for a festive morning including:

- A selection of baked goods
- Cereals
- Fresh fruit
- Toast
- Tea and milk
- Tea and coffee for the grown-ups

MEET & GREET WITH SANTA

Every child will receive:

- A special gift from Santa
- A festive gift bag

FESTIVE FUN FOR ALL

- Plenty of games
- Christmas songs
- Lots of festive fun and laughter

TO BOOK:
millsillbaptistsecretary@gmail.com

COST: £10 PER CHILD
Payment required upon booking

ALL ARE WELCOME!
Bring your family and friends and enjoy a wonderful morning of food, fun, and Christmas cheer!

We look forward to seeing you there!

FALINGE PARK
HIGH SCHOOL

ASPIRE
THRIVE
ACHIEVE

OPEN EVENING

Thursday 24th September 2026 5:00pm - 7:30pm

Session 1 5:00pm - 6:15pm

Session 2 6:15pm - 7:30pm

Headteacher Talks: 5:05pm | 6:15pm



Watergrove
Trust
Fostering minds

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SEND Advice Service and Rochdale Parent Carer Voice present...

SEND is Everyone's Business Event 2026

Discover a wide range of services and organisations available for 0-25 years, dedicated to supporting families on their SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) journey.

Meet representatives from the Local Authority, health services and voluntary organisations. You will have the opportunity to find out more and learn how these teams can assist you and your family.

Teams joining us include: Home Start, CAMHS SPOA, SENDIASS, Jolly Josh, Eliza Says, Preparing for Adulthood Team, Youth Service, Positive Steps, The Neurodiversity Hub, representatives from the EHC Team, and more...

Contact us on 0300 303 0380 with any questions.

Professionals are also welcome to attend.

Featuring:

A relaxation
area provided
by the Town
Hall

TUESDAY

22 September 2026

Drop in between 3pm – 5pm, no booking required.

Location

The Bright Hall at Rochdale Town Hall

The Esplanade, Rochdale, OL16 1AZ

