

...own is a l... of life... learning Happiness is the key and our children's happiness, safety, security and love at the...
our achievements for each individual child.

Shawclough Community School Newsletter

Issue 14
Week ending 19/12/25



NURSERY APPLICATIONS – SEPT 2026

Are you looking to enrol your child's sibling into Nursery in September 2026?

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

If you are interested, please email office@shawclough.rochdale.sch.uk to request an application pack.

Alternatively, you can pop into the office for a paper copy.

Please note, the cut-off date for families wishing to apply for a September place is

**Thursday 15th January
2026**

GOODBYE MISS CHAMBERLAINE



As sad as it is, from time to time Staff move on and leave Shawclough School. This year unfortunately, we say goodbye to Miss Chamberlain, who was our SENCO last and then took a position as teacher in the Rainbow Unit this year.

Miss Chamberlain has worked with many children and families and we will all feel the loss.

We would like to wish Miss Chamberlain 'GOOD LUCK' in whatever she chooses to do next.

PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 4



Year 4 had a Science Day investigating sound.

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

Shawclough School & PTA are on



ATTENDANCE

Attendance (%) for week ending 12.12.25

GOLD & CORAL	100.0
RECEP BLUE	98.4
RUBY	97.5
I LAVENDER	96.8
RAINFOREST	95.6
3 AMBER	95.6
4 YELLOW	95.4
6 RED	94.6
2 SUNSHINE	94.2
5 POPPY	93.0
5 CHERRY	92.6
3 LEMON	92.5
RECEP TURQUOISE	90.0
1 PURPLE	89.6
6 SCARLET	88.8
4 ORANGE	87.3

GOOD JOB CLASSES
– 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 12.12.25

Phase 1 – Mustafa

Muhammad - RB



Phase 2 – Ruben Ribeiro – 2S



Phase 3 – Ayeza Hussain – 5C



Rainbow – Braxley Adams - Gold



Rainforest – Rohan Ghulam Rasool



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

Congratulations!

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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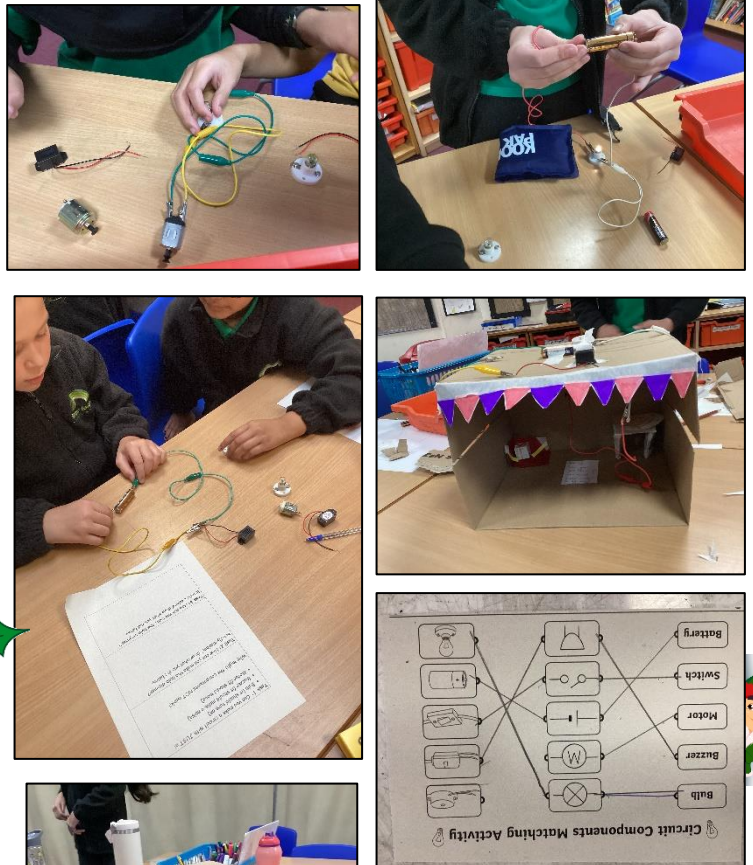


PEEK AT THE WEEK - RECEPTION



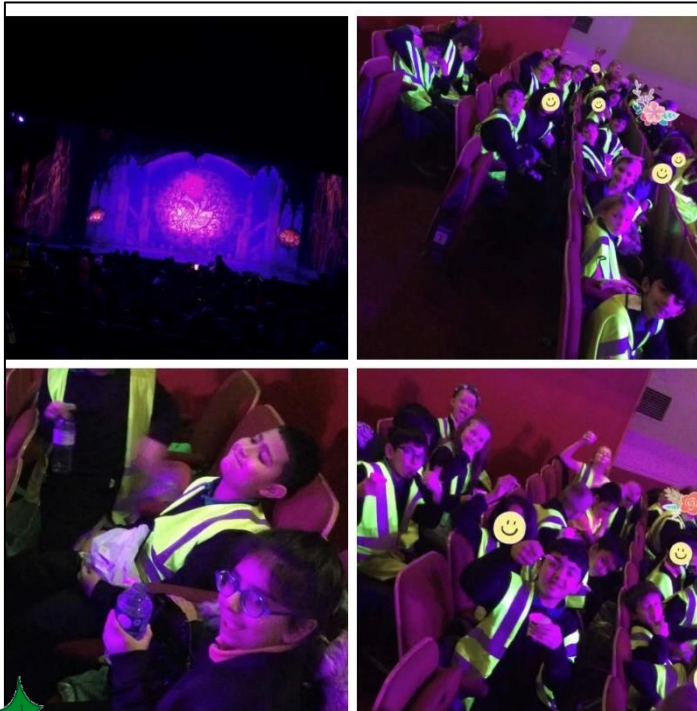
Reception have been learning about the origins of the Chris Tingle.

PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 6



Year 6 used their knowledge of electricity to make a trap for an elf. They made a circuit and used a switch to make a sound when the elf was trapped inside.

PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 3



Year 3 had their annual panto trip and saw Beauty and the Beast...and enjoyed an ice cream at the interval courtesy of the PTA.

STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's Stars have been awarded for **TEAMWORK.**

Team work in school is essential for developing social, academic and life skills. It combines problem solving, communication and creativity through group work, discussions and activities.

We all know teamwork make the dream work

Lemon

Arisa Muhammad



Amber

Zayd Al-Qasmi



Yellow

Aliza Usman



Orange

Kaleb Bills



Cherry

Hareem Mahmood



Poppy

Mohammed Jalani



Reception Blue

Mysha Khaliq-Iqbal



Reception Turquoise

Suleiman Javed



Purple

Oliver Sutcliff



Scarlet

Ziva Imran



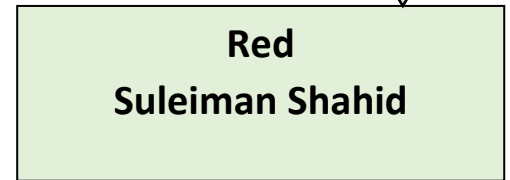
Lavender

Hashim Jamil



Red

Suleiman Shahid



Sunshine

Amira Kauser



Rainbow

George Richmond Burnell
(For Resilience)

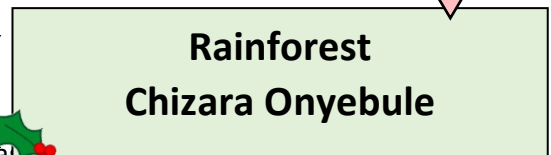


Coral

Layton Hardwick



Rainforest
Chizara Onyebule



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PEEK AT THE WEEK - RECEPTION



Reception class looking extra smart and smiley in their wonderful Christmas jumpers – ready for Christmas dinner.

PEEK AT THE WEEK – XMAS



Our lovely kitchen staff joined in the fun wearing their Christmas jumpers as well as preparing a feast for our Christmas dinner – enjoyed by staff and children alike. Thank you Mrs Salt and her marvellous team - Ms Jones, Ms Clews and Ms Kussor. It was delicious!

PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 1



Purple class followed instructions to make Rudolph.

PEEK AT THE WEEK - NURSERY



Our lovely Nursery staff joining in all the festivities this week The Reindeer Run, Christmas Jumper day and they dressed as elves and reindeer to help out Santa!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



MARCH			
4 th	Class photos		Whole school
TBC	World Book Day		Whole school
TBC	Egyptian Day		Yr. 6
April			
1 st	Autism Awareness Day		Whole School
TBC	Leavers Hoodies Order form deadline		Yr. 6
2 nd	Easter break – 1pm Finish		Whole school
20 th	Welcome Back		Whole school
May			
4 th	Bank Holiday		Whole School
TBC	Residential Parent/Carer Meeting		Yr. 6
TBC	Sports Day		Yr. 6 & Yr. 1 only
22 nd	Half term		Whole School
June			
TBC	Sleepover		Yr. 5
2 nd	Welcome Back		Whole School
July			
TBC	Transition Day		Whole School
TBC	Final Performance		Yr. 6
TBC	Leavers Assembly		Yr. 6
19 th	Summer Break – 1pm Finish		Whole school

January			
5 th	Welcome Back – Spring term		Whole School
5 th	Spanish Day		Yr. 6
TBC	Residential Parent/Carer Meeting		Yr. 6
TBC	Leaver hoodies Order Form out – Early bird offer		Yr. 6
February			
TBC	Leaver hoodie early bird offer ends		Yr. 6
13 th	Half Term		Whole school
23 rd	Welcome Back		Whole school

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**PEEK AT THE WEEK -
RAINFOREST**



The beautiful Mrs Rush – dressed as a
Christmas tree!

And Finally...


To ALL those
celebrating
*Merry
Christmas* 
...and to everyone else...

*HAPPY
Holidays*

...and to all of you and your families....

HAPPY
New Year

From all of
us at
Shawclough
Community
Primary
School



COMMUNITY NEWS



10+ role play areas

Large room available to hire

SEN Monthly Saturday Sessions

Childminder discount

Parties

Cooking classes

Baby classes

Stay and Play

Toddler football

TOMMY TUMBLE TOWN
ROLE PLAY CENTRE

TELEPHONE 01706 334111

BOOK ONLINE
www.tommy-tumble.co.uk

**Unit 6 Pippin Bank
Bacup
OL13 0BU**

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
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