

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 17

Week ending 23/01/26



To contact us about anything regarding this newsletter please call us on 01706 647 991 or email [office@shawclough.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto: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 **4<sup>th</sup> April 2026.**

Applications received on or before 15<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:office@shawclough.rochdale.sch.uk) and request an application pack. Alternatively, you can pop into the office for a paper copy.

## PEEK AT THE WEEK - RECEPTION



## \*\*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.**

Mrs Collins wondered if the children could make an ice castle in the block area using all the winter themed materials.

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

Shawclough School & PTA are on



## ATTENDANCE

Attendance (%) for week ending 16/01/26

<b>5 CHERRY &amp; 3 AMBER</b>	<b>99.6%</b>
<b>2 CORAL</b>	<b>98.2</b>
<b>1 PURPLE</b>	<b>98.1</b>
<b>5 POPPY</b>	<b>97.8</b>
<b>GOLD</b>	<b>97.5</b>
<b>6 RED</b>	<b>97.3</b>
<b>2 SUNSHINE</b>	<b>96.9</b>
<b>RECEP BLUE</b>	<b>96.5</b>
<b>6 SCARLET</b>	<b>96.4</b>
<b>4 YELLOW</b>	<b>96.2</b>
<b>1 LAVENDER</b>	<b>95.8</b>
<b>RECEP TURQUOISE</b>	<b>92.2</b>
<b>4 ORANGE</b>	<b>95.6</b>
<b>RAINFOREST</b>	<b>92.2</b>
<b>3 LEMON</b>	<b>91.4</b>
<b>RUBY</b>	<b>81.3</b>
<b>SAPPHIRE</b>	<b>80.0</b>

**GOOD JOB CHERRY & AMBER  
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.



## ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 16.01.26

Phase 1 – EMILY LECH NATHAN - RT



Phase 2 – ZAYAN AL QASMI – 1L



Phase 3 – ISMAIL MAHMOOD – 4O



Rainbow – RUAIRI SLATTERY - GOLD



Rainforest – ANGELO ANTIONE - RAINFOREST



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

**Congratulations!**

## PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 5

Successful - victor - villain  
twisted - tyrant  
savage - fighter  
merciless - murderer  
demonstrated - demon  
motherly - mother  
Savage - slaughterer a super  
kenning!

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Monstrous - nightmare  
Vicious - villain  
Reverend - seeker  
Piscatorial - Demon  
Mensural - soldier  
Savage - sea hag  
Super kenning!

Grendel's Mother  
Ravens - villain  
merciless - monster  
twisted - tyrant  
savage - fighter  
merciless - murderer  
demonstrated - demon  
motherly - mother  
Savage - slaughterer a super  
kenning!

Year 5 have been writing Kenning based on Grendel's mother for their English work, based on the book Beowulf.

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## PEEK AT THE WEEK - RAINFOREST



Making the most of the sunshine and the play equipment. Rainforest children develop their senses and build physical and social skills.

'All aboard the train' said the driver. 'I want to go to the park' replied the passenger.

## PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 2



Year 2 have been learning about William Morris in their Art lessons. They made tessellating (meaning fitting together without gaps or overlapping) patterns using different colours and textures of wall paper.

## PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 5



Year 5 playing the Ukulele, in a music lesson.



## PEEK AT THE WEEK - RAINBOW

Ruby class working hard making story maps.

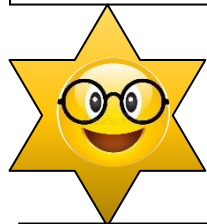


## STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's stars have been awarded for

### **Skilled/curious/keen scientists**

Someone who is determined to find out more about a subject, something they are interested in or the place they live in.



**Nursery**  
**EESA ZAHID**

**Reception Blue**  
**AYAAN ZAKAR**



**Reception Turquoise**  
**SAFA HUSSAIN**



**Year 1 Purple**  
**MATEI GRIGORE**



**Year 1 Lavender**  
**HANIA KHAN**



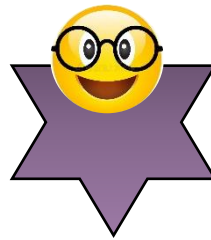
**Year 2 Sunshine**  
**WINNIE HOYLE**



**Year 2 Coral**  
**AMELIA QUINN**



**Year 3 Lemon**  
**ZAYYAN HUSSAIN**



**Year 3 Amber**  
**AMARA ALI**

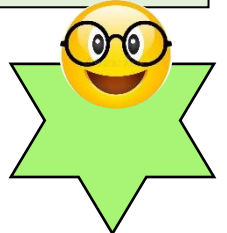
**Year 4 Yellow**  
**ALIZA USMAN**



**Year 4 Orange**  
**IMAAN HUSSAIN**



**Year 5 Cherry**  
**ASAD NAWAZ**



**Year 5 Poppy**  
**AZAAN UDDIN**



**Year 6 Scarlet**  
**CHIZARAM**  
**OKPALAOJIEGO**



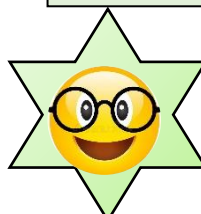
**Year 6 Red**  
**ZIDAAN HUSSAIN**



**Rainbow**  
**STANLEY WHITE**



**Rainforest**  
**EMMANUAEL**  
**CHINONYEREM**


















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



















## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JANUARY			
26 <sup>th</sup> -30 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability week		Yr. 5
30 <sup>th</sup>	Height and Weight		Yr. 6
30 <sup>th</sup>	Non uniform day		<b>Sunshine only</b>
31 <sup>st</sup>	PTA Leaver hoodie early bird offer ends		Yr. 6

FEBRUARY			
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Starbooks		Yr. 6
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Starbooks		Yr. 5
3 <sup>rd</sup>	ChristChurch Healey Trip		Yr. 1
4 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming starts		Yr. 3
4 <sup>th</sup>	Starbooks		Yr. 4
9 <sup>th</sup>	Starbooks		Yr. 3
10 <sup>th</sup>	Starbooks		Yr. 2
10 <sup>th</sup>	Safer Internet Day		Whole School
11 <sup>th</sup>	Starbooks		Yr. 1
11 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
11 <sup>th</sup>	Rochdale Parent carers Voice Coffee morning		All Parents welcome
TBC	Decorate a plate for World Book Day – details coming home.		Whole School
13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Half term</b>		<b>Whole school</b>
18 <sup>th</sup>	Start of Ramadan – please fill out a consent form if you wish your child to fast after half term		Yr. 6 <b>only</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Welcome Back</b>		<b>Whole school</b>
25 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
28 <sup>th</sup>	PTA Leavers Hoodies Order form deadline		Yr. 6

MARCH			
4 <sup>th</sup>	Class Photos		Whole School
4 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
11 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
TBC	PTA Mothers Day Pop Up Shop – Rainforest classroom		Whole school
16 <sup>th</sup>	Viking Day & Parent Breakfast		Yr. 5
16 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Afternoon/evening		Yr. 1
17 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Afternoon/evening		Yr. 6
18 <sup>th</sup>	World Down Syndrome Day – Odd socks day!		Whole School
18 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Afternoon/evening		Yr. 2
18 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
TBC	Eid – Please ensure you fill out an absence slip		Whole School
TBC	Eid parties – party clothes		Whole school
20 <sup>th</sup>	Red Nose Day		Whole school
24 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Afternoon/evening		Yr. 3
25 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Afternoon/evening		Yr. 5
25 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
26 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Afternoon/evening		Yr. 4
27 <sup>th</sup>	Egyptian Day		Yr. 4











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

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



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

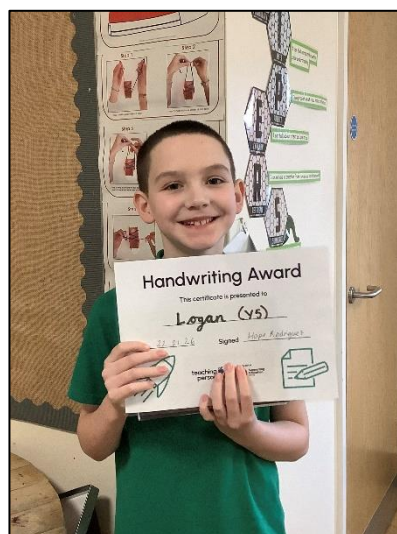
## PEEK AT THE WEEK - AWARDS



JUNE			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Welcome Back		Whole school
1 <sup>st</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability week		Yr. 6
TBC	Rochdale Visit		Yr. 5
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
10 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming		Yr. 3
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>	Sleepover		Yr. 5
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>	Leavers Assembly		Yr. 6
17 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Break – 1pm Finish		Whole School



**3 lucky children were nominated for awards for handwriting. They received a certificate and a small gift. The certificates and gifts came through Teaching Personnel – a company we use for cover staff.**

**Dylan Fearnely – Yr. 6**

**Hashim Aslam – Yr. 5**

**Logan Reilly-Quest - Rainbow**

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## COMMUNITY NEWS



**TOMMY TUMBLE TOWN**  
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10+ role play areas  
Large room available to hire  
SEN Monthly Saturday Sessions  
Childminder discount



### SEND PARENT CARER COFFEE MORNING

11TH FEBRUARY  
4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH  
20<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE  
9.30 - 11.30 AM

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.

### 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 13<sup>th</sup> 10-12 or 6-8pm

Sensory challenges and strategies to support  
Thursday January 15<sup>th</sup> 6.30-8.30pm

Neurodiversity All about it - part 1, Information  
Wednesday March 4<sup>th</sup> 11-1pm  
Neurodiversity All about It - Part 2, strategies  
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- 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,  
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## TIMETABLE 2026

THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY 7.30PM-9PM

THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 7.30PM-9PM

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

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