

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 28

Week ending 24/4/26



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

#Get ready with Teddy

Launching 25 April

Join our 'Get ready with Teddy' launch

Saturday 25 April, 9.30am-12.30pm

At various Best Start Family Hubs: Derby Street, Newbold, Belfield, Langley and Howard Street

If your child is starting reception this September, join us for a morning of fun activities and take the opportunity to learn more about our exciting new 'Get ready with Teddy' programme to prepare your little ones for school. (Siblings welcome).

Activities will include:

- Decorate and personalise your teddies T-shirt
- Enjoy a teddy bear picnic
- Make teddy bear biscuits
- Arts and crafts
- Outdoor play and much more.

Early years professionals will also be available to answer any questions you may have about your child's development.

Don't forget to bring along the teddy you received from your early years setting too.

If your child doesn't attend an early years setting, speak to your nearest family hub about how to receive your teddy.

#GetReadyWithTeddy

For more information visit 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.

****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.**



ATTENDANCE

Attendance (%) for week ending 2/4/26

RUBY	100.0
GOLD	98.4
4 ORANGE	98.1
RAINFOREST	97.2
2 CORAL	96.4
RECEP BLUE	95.0
RECEP TURQUOISE/4 YELLOW	94.7
1 LAVENDER	94.2
SAPPHIRE	93.8
6 SCARLET	93.0
3 AMBER	93.0
1 PURPLE	92.8
5 POPPY	91.8
6 RED	91.4
5 CHERRY	91.2
2 SUNSHINE	89.4
3 LEMON	83.9

**GOOD JOB 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 2.4.26

Senzo Ndlovu– Reception Turquoise



Sumayya Javed– 1 Lavender



Ethan Taylor – 2 Coral



Ruqayyah Abdul-Jabaar – 3 Lemon



Abdul Wajahat– 4 Orange



Ayaan Khan – 5 Poppy



Shyla Miah – 6 Red



Logan Ruchat – Sapphire



Emmanuel Chinonyerem - Rainforest



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SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN – YR 6

I would like to highlight an important national consultation currently being undertaken by the UK Government on children and young people's experiences of the online world and social media.

The consultation, **“Growing up in the Online World”**, seeks views on how social media and digital platforms affect children and young people, and how they can be better supported to stay safe online. It is open until **26 May**, and views are being sought from young people themselves (yr. 6 and above), parents and carers, and members of the public.

Given the central role that schools and colleges play in supporting young people's wellbeing, it would be grateful if you would consider sharing this opportunity with your children and encouraging their support, as well as your own

There are **threeseparate consultations**, tailored to different audiences:

- A consultation for **children and young people**
- A consultation for **parents and carers**
- A consultation for **members of the public**

The full details, including links to each consultation, can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/growing-up-in-the-online-world-a-national-consultation>

It is vital that the voices of young people in Rochdale, as well as those who support and educate them, are heard as part of this national discussion.

Paul Waugh MP

Member of Parliament for Rochdale



House of Commons, Palace of Westminster, London SW1A 0AA

Telephone: 01706 391 482

Website: paulwaugh.co.uk

PTA - CLOTHES BIN

You may have noticed the clothes bin in the school yard (bottom of the ramp). You are now able to help the PTA raise money even more easily by not having to wait for a bag2school or Sammy's clothes collection day.

You are free to bring in your unwanted clothes and other goods (in good, clean condition) and put them in our Rag Bag clothes bin. Please ensure they are bagged.

Please pay particular attention to goods that are allowed and NOT allowed in the bin. Also please do not leave clothes bags littered around the bin and help us keep our yard tidy. We will have the bin emptied as regularly as we can.



STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's stars are...
Determination/perseverance



Nursery
Hussnain Ali



Reception Blue
Pixie Furby

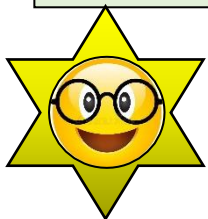


Reception Turquoise
Bin Yamin Stanikzai



Year 1 Purple
Duncan Pajak

For trying hard to catch a bean bag and not giving up!



Year 1 Lavender
Umaiza Tariq



Year 2 Sunshine
Ayaan Khan



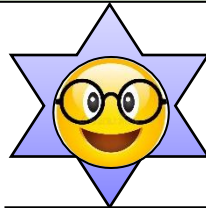
Year 2 Coral
Noor Fatima



Year 3 Lemon
Jawden Hussain



Year 3 Amber
Leland Duffy



Year 4 Yellow
Urwah Atif



Year 4 Orange
Benin al Tamimi



Year 5 Cherry
Moustafa Ali



Year 5 Poppy
Amaan Mahmood



Year 6 Scarlet
Nic Bulcock

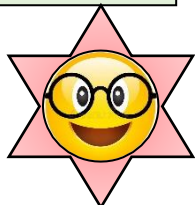


Year 6 Red
Saad Asif

For coming in everyday this week, determine and ready to help.



Rainbow
Logan Ruchat



Rainforest
Reina El -Hajj Hassan

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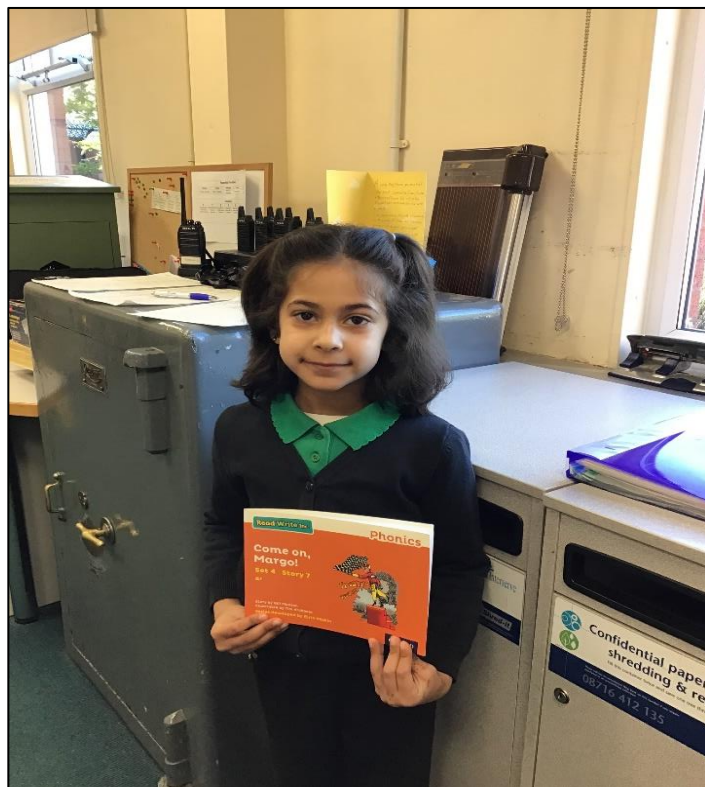


PEEK AT THE WEEK - RAINBOW



Ruby class were outside building a bug hotel to help bring more insects into our environment to help our ecosystem.

PEEK AT THE WEEK - LAVENDER



Sumayya has been practising her phonics and reading at home during the Easter break and has become a super duper reader – she even read her entire book to Mr Doyle. Well done Sumayya!

PEEK AT THE WEEK - RECEPTION



Reception were celebrating TS George's Day. They made flags with St George's cross on ready to wave.

Look at those happy little faces!



PTA WONKA CHALLENGE

Our **Annual Wonkalicious Challenge** is here!

Will you find a Golden Ticket?

Great prizes to be won!

Bars go on sale 7th and 8th May in the Rainforest classroom. First come first serve – when they're gone they're gone!



PEEK AT THE WEEK - RECEPTION



Even reception were out enjoying the weather this week and decided to go on a bug hunt. They saw worm, bugs and woodlice.

PTA

SHAWCLOUGH SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR 2026

June 16th 2026

Stalls, food, henna, cakes, ice cream, rides, fun & games, barbeque, police and fire service 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.

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

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

APRIL		
28 th	Daz The Animal Man	Nursery
29 th	Swimming	Yr. 3

MAY		
4 th	Bank Holiday	Whole School
6 th	NO SWIMMING	Yr. 3
7 th -8 th	Wonka Challenge Pop up shop In Rainforest Classroom	Whole School
13 th	Swimming	Yr. 3
14 th	Eye tests	Reception only
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
21 st -22 nd	Residential	Yr. 6
22 nd	Half term	Whole School

JUNE		
1 st	Welcome Back	Whole school
1 st -5 th	Bike-ability week	Yr. 6
TBC	Rochdale Visit	Yr. 5
3 rd	Swimming	Yr. 3
5 th	Non uniform – bring a bottle instead of a £	Whole school
10 th	Swimming	Yr. 3
12 th	Non-uniform – bring in chocolate instead of £	Whole school
16 th	Summer Fair	Whole School
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
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JULY		
1 st	Swimming	Yr 3
3 rd TBC	Sleepover	Yr. 5
7 th TBC	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	Goodbye Yr. 6 - 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

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!



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 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



SEND PARENT CARER COFFEE MORNING

20TH MAY
10TH 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.

Social Prescribing
for Children & Young People

Helping young people feel better, stay connected, and thrive.

What Is It?
Social prescribing connects children and young people to **non-medical support** – like sports, arts, nature groups, youth clubs, mentoring & help with school or family stress.

How a Social Prescribing Link Worker Helps:
Your Link Worker is here to:
• Listen to what matters to you
• Create a personal wellbeing plan
• Connect you to activities & support
• Work with your school, GP & community
• Boost confidence & reduce stress


Why It Works
• Improves mental & emotional wellbeing
• Reduces loneliness
• Builds confidence & resilience
• Helps before problems get bigger

Need Support?
Ask your GP, school, family – or contact your Social Prescribing Link Worker directly:
01706 230116 (option 5)
You don't have to face things alone. There's a whole community ready to help you thrive!



HELP & ADVICE FOR FAMILIES

The Education Welfare Officer has asked us to share a link to the Rochdale Family Hubs document. Family Hubs are where local families with children can go to receive the help, support and advice they might need. They can also provide advice about opportunities that are available in your local area. Family Hubs bring lots of services together, to support families from pregnancy, through childhood and into young adulthood. Please access via the QR code below or, if you would like a copy of the document emailing to you, contact the School Office at office@shawclough.rochdale.sch.uk



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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 nd April	12pm-2pm
Derby St Family Hub OL10 4QJ	Thurs 23 rd April	9.30am-11.30am
Newbold Family Hub OL16 5NL	Fri 24 th April	9.30am-11.30am

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



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

WWW.BURYGRAMMAR.COM |   

Spring & Garden Fair Sunday 26th April 2026

Hollingworth Lake Animal Centre

Lake Room Stalls, Bird and Bug
Houses and Gardening Items for sale,
Tombola, Children's Lucky Dip!



UNIVERSALLY
MANCHESTER
FESTIVAL

13 JUNE 2026
OXFORD ROAD



FREE

MANCHESTER
The University of Manchester



A COMMUNITY DAY FOR ALL

Family
Fun



#UNIVERSALLYMANCHESTERFESTIVAL

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



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

Shawclough School & PTA are on



Early Years SEN Support Pack

Register for your free pack

witherslackgroup.co.uk/early-years-sen-support-pack

‘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 8th 10-12noon
Monday June 8th 6-8pm



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

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 27th 6-8pm
Neurodiversity All about It - Part 2, strategies
Monday May 11th 6-8pm
Sensory challenges and strategies to support
Tuesday May 5th 12.30-2.30pm
Sleep and Well being
Monday June 8th 6-8pm



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