

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 03 Autumn Term
Week ending 25/9/26



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

****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.**

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>

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.

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.



PARENT COFFEE MORNING

Come along to the *SEN coffee morning*.

6th October 2026

If you have any concerns about your child around SEND, you are more than welcome to come and have a chat with our SENCO Claire Crawford, from 9-10am in the hall.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

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>

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

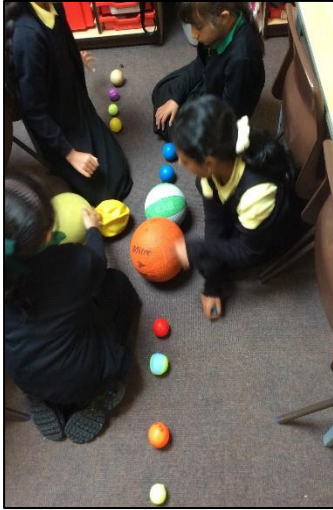
PE KIT: Black shorts/leggings, black tshirt, pumps.
GAMES KIT: Black sweatshirt, black jogger, trainers.

NO jewellery, studs only, long hair must tied back.

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PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 5



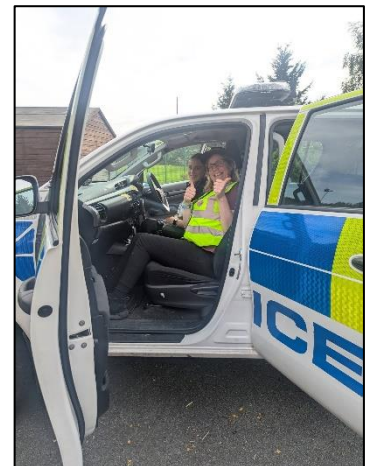
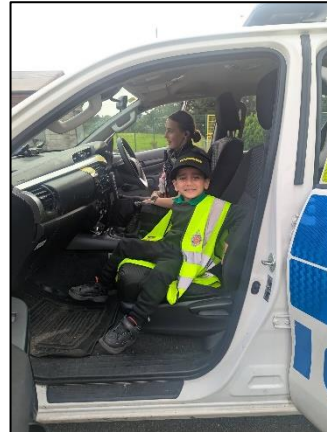
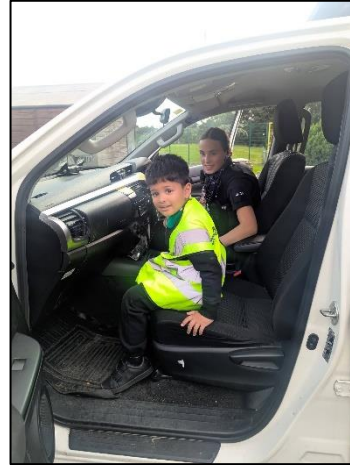
Year 5 created models of the solar system using spherical objects.

PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 4



Year 4 have been learning about the water cycle in Geography

PEEK AT THE WEEK - NURSERY



PCSO Sana Haider came in to visit and discuss local issues. She brought 2 other officers with her that entertained our children. Nursery and Ms Hastewell had a particularly good time.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance (%) for week ending 25/9/26

GOLD/SAPPHIRE/ORANGE/LAVENDER	100.0
3 LEMON	98.5
6 SCARLET	98.3
RAINFOREST	97.8
5 POPPY	97.6
4 YELLOW	96.9
5 CHERRY	96.5
2 SUNSHINE	96.0
RECEPTION BLUE	94.6
2 CORAL	93.8
RECEPTION TURQUOISE	93.6
6 RED	92.7
RUBY	90.0
1 PURPLE	90.0

GOOD JOB
**GOLD/SAPPHIRE/ORANGE/
 LAVENDER 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.



ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS FOR WEEK ENDING

RECEPTION - ARIA



YEAR 1 - LIYAH



YEAR 2 - ADAM



YEAR 3 - CHRISTIAN



YEAR 4 - JASMINE



YEAR 5 - SHEZZY



YEAR 6 - INAYA



RAINBOW - ROBYN



RAINFOREST - ANGELO



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STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's stars are for...

Being Responsible

Nursery
Ibraheem



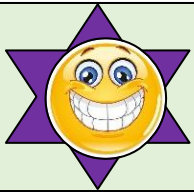
Reception Turquoise
Aakifah



Reception Blue
Charli



Year 1 Purple
Zakariya



Year 1 Lavender
Imogen
For always being responsible
And looking after our class.



Year 2 Sunshine
Muhammad Ayaan



Year 2 Coral
Ayat
Helping tidy the classroom
Even without being asked.



Year 3 Lemon
Jamil



Year 3 Amber

Amelia

For being a responsible learner



Year 4 Yellow

Alfred

For being responsible and supporting
Others to be responsible.



Year 4 Orange

Amara



Year 5 Cherry

Ali Abbas

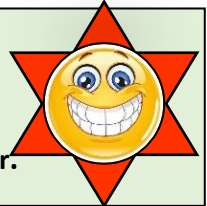
By using initiative, working hard and
Helping others.



Year 5 Poppy

Maida

For being responsible and a good manager.



Year 6 Scarlet

Fatima

For an amazing start and always
Being responsible in the classroom



Year 6 Red

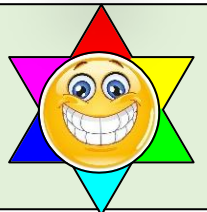
Ayesha

Being responsible



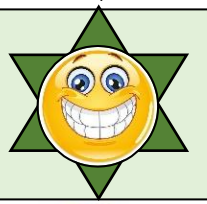
Rainbow

Imaan



Rainforest

Angelo



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates subject to change

BANK HOLIDAYS

RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE

PARENTS MEETINGS

SWIMMING

TRIPS

September

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
5 th	Reading Meeting – 8-10am	Reception
6 th	Star books	Yr 3
7 th	Star books	Yr 2
8 th	Individual Picture Day	Whole school
9 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 th	Odeon Cinema Trip	Yr 5
12 th	Nursery Rhyme Day	Nursery
13 th	Children in Need	Whole school
16 th	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

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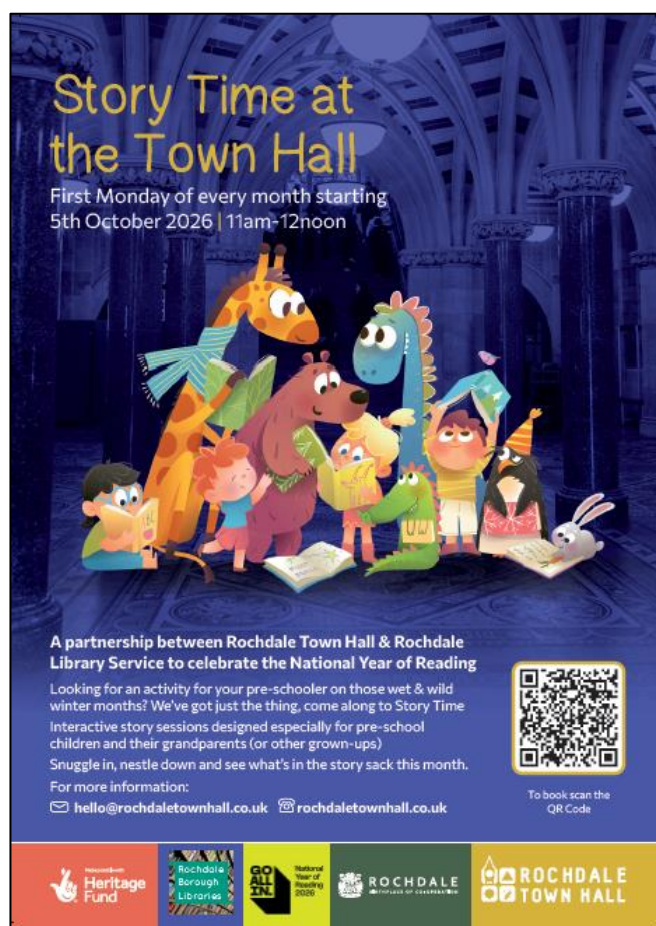


May		
3 rd	Bank Holiday	Whole school
	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
16 th (TBC)	Eid-al-Adha	Whole school
	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
25 th	Sports event	Yr 6 & Yr 1 only
	Swimming Lemon 1-2pm Amber 2-3pm	Yr 3
28 th	Half term	Whole school

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

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Story Time at the Town Hall
First Monday of every month starting
5th October 2026 | 11am-12noon

A partnership between Rochdale Town Hall & Rochdale Library Service to celebrate the National Year of Reading

Looking for an activity for your pre-schooler on those wet & wild winter months? We've got just the thing, come along to Story Time interactive story sessions designed especially for pre-school children and their grandparents (or other grown-ups) Snuggle in, nestle down and see what's in the story sack this month.

For more information:
hello@rochdaletownhall.co.uk @rochdaletownhall.co.uk

To book scan the QR Code

Heritage Fund Rochdale Borough Libraries GO ALL IN National Year of Reading 2026 ROCHDALE Borough of Leadership ROCHDALE TOWN HALL



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.

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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

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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

Keep up to date with all our sessions by signing up as a parent or professional member to receive a monthly email via our website:
www.rochdaleparentcarersvoice.co.uk

Join our Facebook closed group page: Rochdale Parent Carers Voice Chat

*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



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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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
- Juice 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

COST: £10 PER CHILD
Payment required upon booking

TO BOOK:
millsillbaptistsecretary@gmail.com

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!

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.