

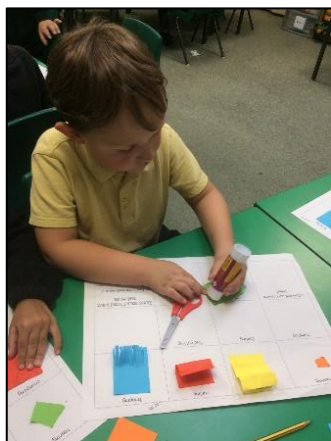
Our main aim is a love of life and learning Happiness is the key and our children's happiness, safety, security and love are at the heart of our achievements for each individual child.

## Shawclough Community School Newsletter

Issue 03  
Week ending 26/09/25



### PEEK AT THE WEEK - YEAR 2



Year 2 have been exploring different paper techniques with paper.

### WEATHER

As the weather turns cooler and we are seeing more rain – please ensure that children have a coat in school at all times and a jumper or fleece if required.

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

### SMART WATCHES

Smart watches and any electronics that play games or take photographs are NOT allowed in school.

Any child found with these item on them will have them confiscated and left in the office to collect at the end of the day. f the day.



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### PEEK AT THE WEEK – WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY



The Mad Scientists from United Utilities to teach our children about 'Water'. How it is collected and utilised but Water Company. One of the mad scientist 'made' clouds for the children to touch, which caused a lot of excitement with both children and staff!

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## ATTENDANCE

Attendance (%) for week ending 19.9.25

<b>SAPPHIRE</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>3 LEMON</b>	<b>98.5</b>
<b>3 AMBER</b>	<b>98.1</b>
<b>RAINFOREST/2 CORAL</b>	<b>97.8</b>
<b>GOLD</b>	<b>97.1</b>
<b>2 SUNSHINE</b>	<b>95.9</b>
<b>NURSERY OCEAN</b>	<b>95.7</b>
<b>4 ORANGE</b>	<b>95.4</b>
<b>5 POPPY</b>	<b>94.4</b>
<b>1 PURPLE</b>	<b>93.2</b>
<b>RUBY</b>	<b>92.5</b>
<b>REC BLUE</b>	<b>92.1</b>
<b>5 CHERRY</b>	<b>91.7</b>
<b>4 YELLOW</b>	<b>91.5</b>
<b>6 SCARLET</b>	<b>89.2</b>
<b>6 RED</b>	<b>88.5</b>
<b>REC TURQUOISE</b>	<b>87.4</b>
<b>1 LAVENDER</b>	<b>85.6</b>
<b>NURSERY SKY</b>	<b>75.6</b>

**GOOD JOB SAPPHIRE 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.



**EVERY CLASS MISSED...  
IS A LESSON LOST**

## PEEK AT THE WEEK - CELEBRATING OUR STAFF



The lovely Ms Lorraine Stapleton received an award for being an amazing TA. The certificate came through one of the agencies that we use for supply staff. Even more amazing is that Ms Stapleton has now been put forward for another amazing award in which she will be up against a bunch of nominees from all over the borough. Good luck Ms Stapleton, you got this! – YOU'RE THE BEST!

## COMMUNICATION

Please check your email and text and SCHOOL GATEWAY APP regularly. We can send out a number of messages during the day to notify you of changes in collections, letters going out, trips, payments, etc. All letters are sent via email.

Please advise the office (in writing/email) if you have had a change in email addresses or phone numbers.

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU HAVE DOWNLOADED THE SCHOOL GATEWAY APP.**

## SENDCO

For those of you who may not be aware, Joanna Chamberlain is no longer the SENDCO. Ms Chamberlain is now a teacher in Rainbow and our SENDCO is now Claire Crawford.

Shawclough school is CASHLESS. We accept payments by **CARD ONLY**. Please ensure you have downloaded the **GATEWAY APP** to receive information about school and make payments.





## PARKING AND TRAFFIC AROUND SCHOOL

We are still receiving calls of complaints by our neighbours who live around the school, parents experiencing threats of violence by other parents, bad language, being aggressive towards school staff – the list goes on. The worst thing is, our children are witnessing all of this.



The safety and wellbeing of our children is one of our utmost priorities, in and around our school.

**We request that parents understand that their negative behaviour affects the children – IT IS NOT OK.**

Traffic police periodically come to our school and will issue tickets. The school **will not** intervene on your behalf. Waiting in the turning circle, parking on yellow lines – will get you a parking fine.

There is plenty of parking on Whitworth Road and Paton Street and it is barely a 5 minute walk. The church has kindly offered us their carpark to use but please do not abuse this permission by parking dangerously and blocking the entrance/exit.

**WARNING:** The residents of The Spinney (small road opposite the school) are now working with a private company to clamp any cars that block the entrance/exit. You have been advised to park away from The Spinney.

If you are clamped, the school have no power or say in removal of any clamp.

## JUST A REMINDER:

**SHAWCLOUGH SCHOOL & EVERYWHERE INSIDE THE BOUNDARY IS**

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

## VOLUNTEERS



**Calling ALL parents – PTA needs you !**

Join the PTA!



PTA raise much needed funds for extracurricular activities AND funds to support things going on in school too. Without the PTA we wouldn't have the extra money for the fun stuff.

If you have any spare time/ideas or would like to volunteer, please get in touch with Mrs Choudhry in the school office.

## NUT ALLERGIES

**\*\*HIGH IMPORTANTANCE\*\***

Please be advised that children are prohibited from bringing to school any nuts or any foods/products containing nuts.



We have a few children at our school that suffer from severe nut allergies meaning they cannot even come close to someone who has consumed or is consuming nuts. This can be life threatening for those children. Please ensure you check and check again what your children are bringing into school or what it is you are packing in their lunches.

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## SEPSIS AWARENESS MONTH

September is Sepsis Awareness Month, with World Sepsis Day on 13th September. Sepsis is a serious condition that can affect anyone, including children, and early recognition is vital. As part of our commitment to the wellbeing and safety of all children, we are sharing information to help parents and carers recognise the signs and symptoms of sepsis.

We're encouraging all families to take a moment to read this short sepsis trust leaflet (attached in the link below) to help raise awareness:

<https://sepsistrust.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/Sepsis-Savvy-Paediatric-Leaflet-1.pdf>

Early recognition saves lives – knowing what to look out for can make all the difference



## FUN WITH TIMESTABLES

Have a look on the TTRockstars webpage below to see how to best support your child with their continuous timetables practice whilst having fun!

[ttrackstars.com/parents/](https://ttrackstars.com/parents/)

[What's included?](#)

[Importance of timetables](#)

[TTRS intro video](#)

[Parent guide PDF](#)

[FAQs answered](#)

[Free downloadables](#)



## SCHOOL COMMS/SIMMS

**If you are not already on the GATEWAY APP – get it sorted now!**

We would just like to remind you that school use the GATEWAY APP as a means to communicate events and activities and provide a portal for parents to pay/book for items such as tea time club, early start club, trips, dinners, school equipment etc.

Please ensure that you have the app on which ever device you use. Please see below how to register for the app.

**If you know of other parents that are not on the GATEWAY App, please urge them to register – it is of benefit to everyone.**

**To register for the school GATEWAY account** you will need to download the school gateway app via App store for Apple devices and/or Play Store for Android devices.

- Go to the login screen on the app
- Enter the same email address and mobile number that is registered with the school
- You will receive an PIN through text
- Enter the 4 digit PIN
- Once logged in, the home screen will be displayed.

### SIMs

Similarly, SIMs is used for midterm/end of term reporting. Please ensure you also have SIMs downloaded on your device.

You can only log in to SIMs after an email invitation from school. If you are still not on the SIMs app, please come to the school office and seek assistance

Schoolgateway



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## STAR OF THE WEEK

This week our Stars awards are for **RESPECT**. How do we show respect and gain respect from others. Is it through our actions and words, our behaviour? Our stars this week have all demonstrated that they are able to show respect to others.



Rainforest  
Angelo Antoine

Nursery  
Finley Healy



Reception Blue  
Mus'ab Choudhury



Reception Turquoise  
Haris Dad



Yr 1 Lavender  
Jasmine Ife



Yr 1 Purple  
Aiza Imran



Yr 2 Sunshine  
Nikolas Lapadat



Yr 2 Coral  
Zayan Shakur



Yr 3 Amber  
Gary-Lee Hookam

Yr 3 Lemon  
Finley Sutcliffe



Yr 4 Orange

Yr 4 Yellow  
Aleeha Aslam



Yr 5 Cherry  
Umar Islam

Yr 5 Poppy  
Alam Nadeem

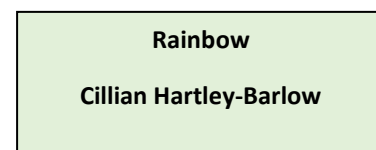


Yr 6 Scarlet  
Zunaira Afzal

Yr 6 Red  
Daisy Fairclough



Rainbow  
Cillian Hartley-Barlow



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



## SEPTEMBER

23 <sup>rd</sup>	Healey Dell Walk		Y4
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## OCTOBER

1 <sup>st</sup>	Visit to Rochdale Library to meet the Poetry Laureate		5P
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2 <sup>nd</sup>	Harvest Collection – Non Uniform Donation 1 item of tinned food		Whole school
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6 <sup>th</sup>	Careers Fair		Y6
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9 <sup>th</sup>	Individual photos		Whole school
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10 <sup>th</sup>	Mental Health Day – Non Uniform		Whole school
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15 <sup>th</sup>	Panto by M6		TBC
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24 <sup>th</sup>	Half term break		Whole school
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## NOVEMBER

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Welcome back		Whole school
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14 <sup>th</sup>	Children in Need		Whole school
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## DECEMBER

2 <sup>ND</sup>	Rocksteady Concert		
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19 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Holidays		Whole school
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## JANUARY

5 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome back Spring Term		Whole school
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## FEBRUARY

13 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term		Whole school
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23 <sup>rd</sup>	Welcome back		Whole school
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## MARCH

## APRIL

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Easter Break		Whole school
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20 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome back		Whole school
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## MAY

22 <sup>nd</sup>	Half term		Whole school
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## JUNE

1 <sup>st</sup>	Welcome Back		Whole school
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## JULY

17 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Break		Whole school
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## PE KITS

Our PE kit policy has changed slightly. Going forward children are required to wear a black t-shirt rather than a white one for PE. Black shorts/leggings and pumps for indoors. Tracksuit bottoms/leggings/ jumper, black and trainers. (White t-shirts can be worn till the end of the month or until a black t-shirt can be purchased.)

Please ensure that all items of PE and Games clothing as well as uniform are labelled with your child's name and class.



Any lost items will be put in our lost property box which is situated inside the community entrance and not bought to the office.

Please check there for lost property before coming to the office.

Smaller items such as glasses, jewellery and toys will be brought to the office if handed in.

**CARD ONLY.** Please ensure you have downloaded the app and make payments.



## COMMUNITY NOTICES



Drake Street Dental Practice are now accepting patients under the age of 18 on the NHS. If you would like to register your child, pop into the practice and register your child any morning from 10am-1pm. You will need a valid form of ID, either a passport or birth certificate and they will be offered their first appointment.

Whitworth Dental Practice are now also taking patients under 18. If you would like your child to be seen by an NHS dentist please contact the practice to book an appointment. You can either call us on 01706 353355 or come to the practice at: 311-315 Market Street, Whitworth, Rochdale, OL12 8PW



WHITWORTH DENTAL CARE

Cosmetic Dentistry & Facial Aesthetics

## JOB OPPORTUNITY

### Vacancy – School Crossing Patrol

There are a number of vacancies across the borough. If you wish to apply please copy and paste the link below.

<https://apply.greater.jobs/rochdale/Job/JobDetail?jobid=1769>



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

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