

Shawclough Community School Newsletter

Issue 26

Week ending 27/3/26



To contact us about anything regarding this newsletter please call us on 01706 647 991 or email 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 **4th April 2026.**

Applications received on or before 15th 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 and request an application pack. Alternatively, you can pop into the office for a paper copy.

****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.**

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.



ATTENDANCE

Attendance (%) for week ending 20/03/26

RAINFOREST	97.2
RECEPTION BLUE	96.9
1 PURPLE	96.2
SAPPHIRE	95.8
4 ORANGE	95.2
6 SCARLET	95.0
1 LAVENDER	94.2
5 POPPY	93.8
RUBY	93.7
3 AMBER	93.5
RECEPTION TURQUOISE	93.4
4 YELLOW	93.3
2 CORAL	93.3
6 RED	92.8
3 LEMON	91.5
5 CHERRY	90.6
2 SUNSHINE	88.9
GOLD	87.5

**GOOD JOB RAINFOREST 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 20.03.26

Harlow Sutcliffe – Reception Turquoise



Corey Bills – 1 Lavender



Haadiyah Mahmood – 2 Coral



Jawden Hussain – 3 Lemon



Imaan Hussein – 4 Orange



Emily Fitton – 5 Poppy



Ayaan Ahmed – 6 Red



George Richmond Burnell – Ruby



Aizah Mahmood - Rainforest



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PEEK AT THE WEEK - RECEPTION



Reception have been mixing colours



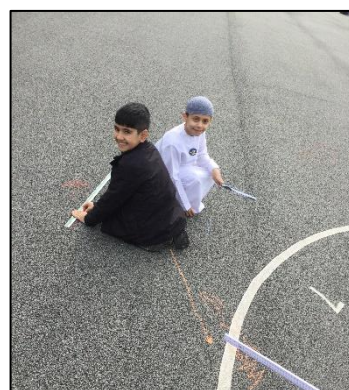
...and making potions with cherry blossoms.



...and enjoying their Eid party.

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

PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 4



Year 4 have been drawing and measuring lines in Maths and having a party all on Eid Party day.

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STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's stars have been awarded for

Any reason the teachers feel that a child has excelled in or been outstanding in over the last few weeks.

Year 3 Lemon

Yusuf Khalil

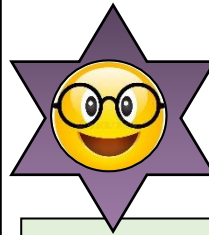
Showing an excellent understanding of mm-cm conversion in Maths



Year 3 Amber

Meerab Safdar

Reading really well and showing great effort in everything she does.



Year 4 Yellow

Zaynab Razaq



Year 4 Orange

Aliza Hussain



Reception Blue

Elsie Wood

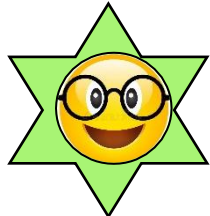
For being a kind friend



Year 5 Cherry

Inara Tariq

For settling in well and making friends



Reception Turquoise

Safa Hussain

For listening and joining in



Year 5 Poppy

Leo Lees



Year 1 Purple

Zahra Ikram

For working hard and improving reading her reading



Year 6 Scarlet

Mehjabeen Ahmed

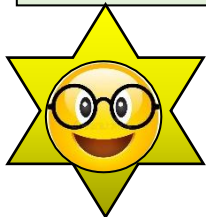
For always working hard and coming to school ready to learn.



Year 1 Lavender

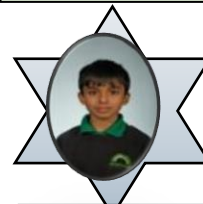
Alyanah Khan

For trying hard at reading at school and at home.



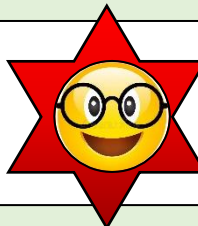
Year 6 Red

Rohaan Hussain



Year 2 Sunshine

Manahil Safdar



Rainbow

Olivia Fairbrother

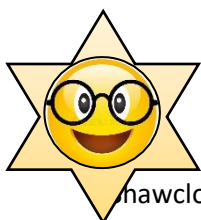
For super handwriting



Year 2 Coral

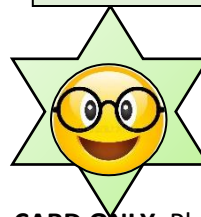
Mahir Hussain

For always working incredibly hard in his RWI lessons



Rainforest

Emmanuel Chinonyerem



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PTA WONKA CHALLENGE

Our Annual Wonkalicious Challenge. Will you find a Golden Ticket?

Great prizes to be won!

Watch this space.



COMING NEXT TERM!

PEEK AT THE EASTER BREAK – WHOLE SCHOOL

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS

Over the Easter break the children have been set a challenge on Times Table RockStars.

Each class year 1-6, will battle it out against their peers. The more children take part the better.

The challenges will be age appropriate. Please encourage your child to log on to the TTRS website and take part.

The 3 classes with the highest score over the Easter break will battle each other in the final. The winners will get a trophy and a prize for their class.

The challenge goes live on Monday 30th April.

GOOD LUCK EVERYONE – May the best class win!



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

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.


WE NEED YOUR HELP








Do you have some time to spare? The PTA are looking for volunteers to help at the Summer Fair. If the answer is yes, please get in touch with Mrs Choudhry at the school office.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

30th	Viking Day & Parent Breakfast – Dress up		Yr. 5
31 st	Rocksteady Concert		Rocksteady parents ONLY

APRIL			
1 ST	Parent Breakfast		Yr.1
1 st	Autism Awareness Day		Whole School
1 st	Swimming - no swimming due to bank holiday		Yr. 3
2 nd	Easter break – 1pm Finish		Whole School
20 th	Welcome Back		Whole School
22 nd	Swimming		Yr. 3
29 th	Swimming		Yr. 3

MAY			
4 th	Bank Holiday		Whole School
TBC	Wonka Challenge Pop up shop		Whole School
6 th	Swimming - no swimming due to bank holiday		Yr. 3
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

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	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

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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

Rochdale Parent Carers Voice



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.



Tackling social & emotional issues affecting wellbeing.

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!

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

HELP & ADVICE FOR FAMILIES

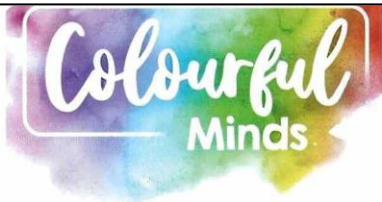
The Education Welfare Officer has asked us to share a link to the Rochdale Family Hubs document. Family Hubs are where local families with children can go to receive the help, support and advice they might need. They can also provide advice about opportunities that are available in your local area. Family 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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DELIVERING EMOTIONAL & WELLBEING SUPPORT FOR PARENTS & CARERS OF FAMILIES WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS & DISABILITIES IN HEYWOOD AND SURROUNDING AREAS

#aimtoempower #aimtoinspire #aimtosupport



We provide a safe place for our peer support via:
*Drop in sessions
*WhatsApp chat group

We also organise various events to help you and your family to gain knowledge via:
*guest speakers at drop in sessions
*various workshops
*conferences



We understand that wellbeing is vital for our service users, that's why we also organise social events.



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Youth Arts Festival
FREEDOM · ART · BELONGING

27 - 28 March

- > Theatre > Carnival parade
> Poetry > Street art
> Dance > Circus
> Music > E-gaming

and loads more!

Rochdale
Greater Manchester
Town of Culture 25-26

Main sponsor



https://www.rochdale.gov.uk/news/article/591/rochdales-youth-arts-festival-is-fab

TAKING PLACE AT THE TOWN HALL



EASTER FUN DAY

Saturday 4th April
10:30am-2:30pm

HEYWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH, ROCHDALE RD, HEYWOOD, OL10 1LE

FREE ENTRY

EASTER FUN

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

- cake stall
· Tombola
· Easter crafts
· Tropics skincare
· Pre loved gifts
· Heywood uniform hub
· face painting
· Toy stall
and much more!

EGG HUNT



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