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Shawclough Community School Newsletter

Issue 11
Week ending 28/11/25



NURSERY APPLICATIONS – SEPT 2026

Are you looking to enrol your child's sibling into Nursery in September 2026?

We offer places for children aged two, three and four years old. Both funded and privately paid.

If you are interested, please email office@shawclough.rochdale.sch.uk to request an application pack.

Alternatively, you can pop into the office for a paper copy.

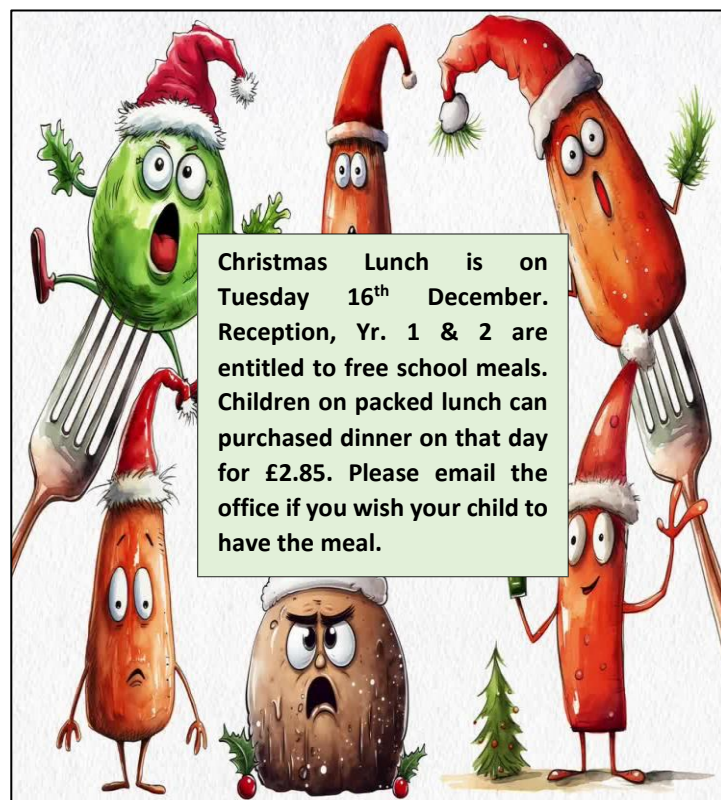
Please note, the cut-off date for families wishing to apply for a September place is

**Thursday 15th January
2026**

Please note that there are no places from January for 3 to 4 year old remaining. However, we still have a few spaces for 2 year olds for January. Deadline for these applications is

Monday 8th December 2025

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PEEK AT THE WEEK – WHOLE SCHOOL



Last month we collected teddies for Springhill Hospice to put in their Teddy Tombola. Pictured above are all the teddies collected, including our contributions. The Springhill team wrapped them all up nicely and made them look brand new. They managed to raise over £500 at the event. They asked if we could thank all the children that parted with their precious teddies.



Shawclough School & PTA are on



ATTENDANCE

Attendance (%) for week ending 21.1.25

1 PURPLE	100.0
2 CORAL	99.3
6 SCARLET	97.5
RUBY	97.5
SAPPHIRE	96.7
5 CHERRY	96.3
5 POPPY	96.3
6 RED	95.8
4 YELLOW	95.4
3 AMBER	95.0
RECEP BLUE	94.7
RAINFOREST	93.3
2 SUNSHINE	93.1
3 LEMON	92.2
4 ORANGE	91.2
RECEP TURQUOISE	87.4
1 LAVENDER	84.4
NURSERY OCEAN	84.3
GOLD	77.5
NURSERY SKY	48.0

**GOOD JOB PURPLE 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 21.11.25

Phase 1 – Zakariya Hussain - RT



Phase 2 – Teadora Simota – 1L



Phase 3 – Syed Ali – 4O



Rainbow – Ines Freitas Pereira - Gold



Rainforest – Hakeem Ahmed



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

Congratulations!

****HIGH IMPORTANCE****



WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL!

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.

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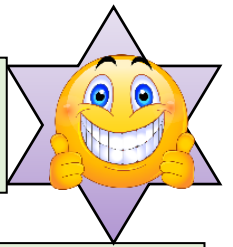


STAR OF THE WEEK

This week the Star of the Week award was for KINDNESS. Showing kindness to others can come in different forms, holding a door open, helping or sharing with someone, smiling at someone, basically doing something nice for someone else – everyone can be kind.

Year 2 Coral

Zakariya Khan



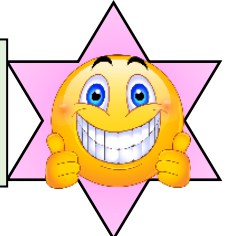
Year 3 Amber

Amelia Nawaz



Year 3 Lemon

Yaqub Rayi



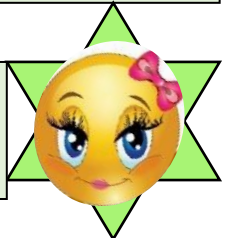
Year 4 Orange

Aydin Khalil



Year 4 Yellow

Aasia Amin



Year 5 Cherry

Aliza Khan



Year 5 Poppy

Inaya Aslam



Reception Turquoise

Florence Higgins



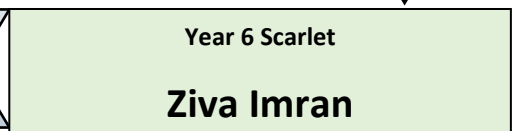
Year 1 Lavender

Teagan Bevan



Year 6 Scarlet

Ziva Imran



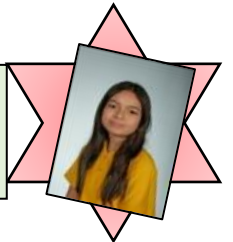
Year 1 Purple

Mohammed Ayaan



Year 6 Red

Lina El Wardi



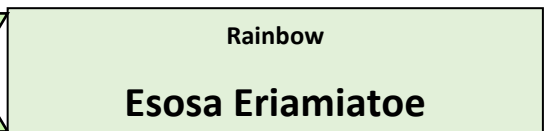
Year 2 Sunshine

Amelia Dixon



Rainbow

Esosa Eriamiatoe



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PEEK AT THE WEEK – WONKA WINNERS



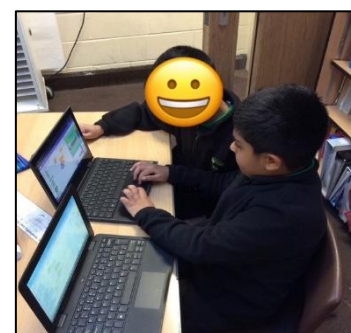
Finally! Mr Doyle was unable to take our lucky Wonka Winners out for the 'Head teacher's breakfast' last term. Our very pleased winners plus a friend (Azaan and Alam – Yr. 5 and Urwah and Inaaya – Yr. 4) were treated to a lovely breakfast. Shout out to Doh Bakery on Yorkshire Street – highly recommended.

PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 2



Year 2 have been learning about the Russian artist Wassily Kandinsky and then painting in the artists' style. Kandinsky was famous for his abstract art, as shows in year 2 art work.

PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 5



Year 5 have been using 'scratch' to develop their own maze games.

PEEK AT THE WEEK - RECEPTION






Reception have started dress rehearsals for their Christmas performance. But why is the one of the angels grumpy?

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

December

2 nd	Rocksteady (2.30pm)		Only those parents whose children are in Rocksteady
4 th	Carol Concert		Yr. 6
9 th	Performance (2pm)		Reception
9 th	Falinge Park High School Performance of Beauty and the Beast		Yr. 5 only
10 th	Sing-a-long/crafts with parents		Nursery
12 th	Panto trip – Beauty & the Beast		Yr. 3 & Rainbow
16 th	Christmas dinner/jumper day		Whole school
18 th	Christmas Party		Nursery
19 th	All classes Christmas parties - 1pm Finish		Whole school
January			
5 th	Welcome Back – Spring term		Whole School
5 th	Spanish Day		Yr. 6
TBC	Residential Parent/Carer Meeting		Yr. 6
TBC	Leaver hoodies Order Form out – Early bird offer		Yr. 6
February			
TBC	Leaver hoodie early bird offer ends		Yr. 6
13 th	Half Term		Whole school
23 rd	Welcome Back		Whole school

MARCH

4 th	Class photos		Whole school
TBC	World Book Day		Whole school
TBC	Egyptian Day		Yr. 6



April

1 st	Autism Awareness Day		Whole School
TBC	Leavers Hoodies Order form deadline		Yr. 6
2 nd	Easter break – 1pm Finish		Whole school
20 th	Welcome Back		Whole school





May

4 th	Bank Holiday		Whole School
TBC	Residential Parent/Carer Meeting		Yr. 6
TBC	Sports Day		Yr. 6 & Yr. 1 only
22 nd	Half term		Whole School

June

TBC	Sleepover		Yr. 5
2 nd	Welcome Back		Whole School

July

TBC	Transition Day		Whole School
TBC	Final Performance		Yr. 6
TBC	Leavers Assembly		Yr. 6
19 th	Summer Break – 1pm Finish		Whole school

PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 1

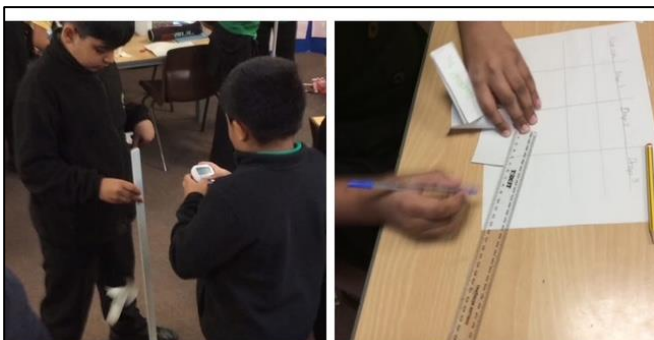


Purple class have been using purple mash to create treasure chests.

PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 2



PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 5



Year 5 have been pattern seeking in science.



Year 2 have enjoyed designing and making cars in DT.

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PEEK AT THE WEEK – YEAR 6



Year 6 looked into Early Islamic Civilisation. How they shopped, traded, what they wore and what they ate – how they lived. They had a go at preparing a dish using popular ingredients of the time.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



**Meet & Greet
SANTA & OLAF**

Get ready for a magical encounter as Santa Claus himself pays a visit to spread Christmas cheer with his good friend Olaf!

**30TH NOVEMBER 2025
10-3PM
£10 PER CHILD
SIBLINGS £5**

Includes meet and greet, gift and photo opportunity!

TO BOOK PLEASE MESSAGE TOMMY TUMBLE TOWN ON FACEBOOK



PIPPIN BANK

CHRISTMAS FAIR

**SUNDAY 30TH NOV 2025
10.00AM - 3.00PM**

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Santa & Olaf's Grotto
- Christmas Raffle
- Smokehaus German Sausages
- Face painter
- Health and Beauty Stalls
- Fire Engine ('Call Out' dependant)
- Personalised Gifts
- Cakes and Sweet Stalls

...and much more!

Join us to celebrate the season, support local makers, and find that perfect Christmas gift!

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BACUP
OLR3 0BU**



SEN PJ Party with Santa

Suitable for children aged 1-8 years

Pop on your favourite PJ's and join us for 45 minutes of role play followed by 45 minutes of festive fun!

Santa will be joining us as we enjoy some Christmas activities, decorate cookies and join in with a festive sing song

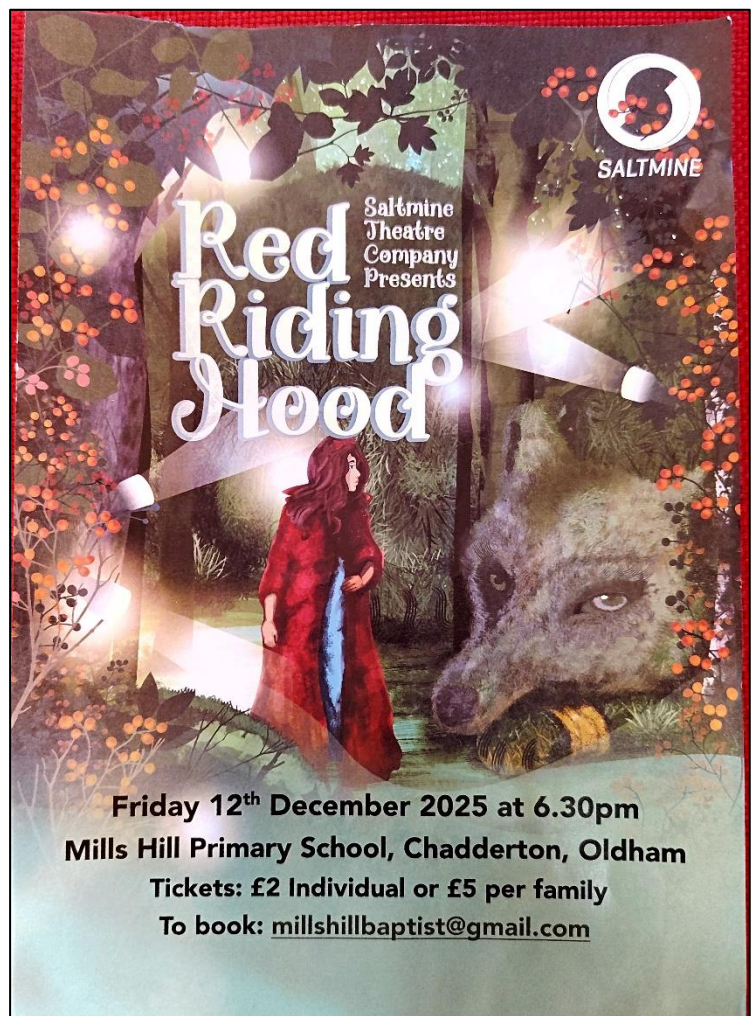
The session will end with a cosy Christmas story and hot chocolate. All children will receive a gift and bag

Saturday 6th December - 3.30pm-5.00pm

Spaces are limited!
Book now to avoid disappointment

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Starting School – Meet and Greet

Come & join us if you have any questions, concerns or need support around applying for your child's school place, at one of our meet & great sessions across the neighbourhoods. There will be various professionals there to offer you support such as Education, SEND, Early Year's workers from Family Hubs.

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Mon 1st December 9.30-11.30am Derby St Family Hub

Tue 2nd December 12.45-2.45pm Belfield Family Hub

Wed 3rd December 12.30-2.30pm Meanwood Family Hub

Thu 4th December 5.30-7.30pm Newbold Family Hub

Fri 5th December 9.30-11.30am Langley Family Hub

Rochdale Borough Family Hubs
Support that grows with you

VACANCIES

ROCHDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL

If you are interested in a position as a crossing patrol warden, please apply by following the blue link below.

[School Crossing Patrol in Rochdale | greater.jobs](https://greater.jobs/school-crossing-patrol-in-rochdale)

45	Pilsworth Rd/Argyle St	Heywood
56	Hollin Lane/Whalley Road	Middleton
64	Bury Street / Peel street	Heywood
80	Bolton Rd/Manley Rd	Rochdale

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