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 6 Week ending 16/02/24





### **AN AWESOME LAST WEEK**







Reception made pancakes for pancake day









Springy the Springhill Hospice mascot came to school to officially collect the fundraising cheque from our children















Year 3s working on gridreferences and having fun with IT





The whole school took part in the Rock Tour with Rock Kidz. It was thorough enjoyed by children and teachers

#### **WORLD BOOK DAY**



Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March is World Book day...Yay!

This year children are invited to dress up as book characters and take part in our paper plate competition. Paper plates will be handed out before half term and will NEED to be returned by

World Book Day.

We can't wait to see the children's creative and imaginative ideas for their plates and costumes.

Remember, World Book Day needn't be expensive. Search on PINTEREST or GOOGLE for costume ideas that you can make at home with your children.

These are some of the entries from last year's plate competition – they were all really good and choosing the best ones was very difficult for our judges



#### SHAWCLOUGH PTA

As you all know Easter is fast approaching and although is a Christian Observance and Holiday for many, for others it's a time that we have a break and indulge in eating a shameless amount of chocolate.

The PTA are going to be having fundraiser leading up to the Easter break. We hope to run the 'Wonka' challenge.

Children will be able to buy a Wonka bar and as per the film – there will be a limited number of bars, in a few of

the bars will be GOLDEN TICKETS. We can't offer you a trip to 'Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory' or a ride in a 'Glass Elevator' but the tickets mean more prizes!

Hopefully, we can get some donations from local companies and business to offer as prizes.

If you work for a company that may be able to help with donating prizes – we need your help. Prizes are never too small, so whatever you can offer will be greatly appreciated.

Please contact the office with your ideas. Lets make this a 'fun'-draiser for our children.

#### **PTA VOLUNTEERS**

The PTA are always looking for new ideas and volunteers. If you have extra time or would like to help out with event, please get in touch via the school office.

All the funds raised by the PTA go back into school to enhance school life and make it more enjoyable all round.



This year we would like to be able to contribute towards end of term trips for the whole school should funds allow.

# SHAWCLOUGH SCHOOL GOVERNORS

#### **PARENT GOVERNORS**

We have now appointed 2 new parent governors:-Mr Khurram Ahmed and Mrs Lilu Parveen. We look forward to their input and support

#### RAISING ROCHDALE

Raising Rochdale is a strategy set up for the whole borough of Rochdale.

Rochdale will be a great place to grow up, get on in life and live well.

At Shawclough School, we want our children to be proud of where they are from, so over the last 18 months we have been promoting it with our children, taking them around the local area. We have visited Healey Dell, various churches and mosques, town centre, touch stones, the cinema, the cenotaph and others.

We are going to continue to take our children out as much as we are able, in our tight curriculum timetable.

This is a valuable initiative as Rochdale isn't portrayed in the media in the best light.



PIONEERS TRUST

We want our children to

access the very best education at our school and move onto great high schools and excellent further education providers in the hope they can see the wider world and bring this knowledge and success into the community of Rochdale.

If you look on the Rochdale council website you will see more information about the strategy.

#### **FUN WITH TIMESTABLES**

Is your child struggling with their Timetables?

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

ttrockstars.com/parents/

What's included? Importance of timetables TTRS intro video Parent guide PDF FAQs answered Free downloadables



#### **ROCKSTEADY**

Is your child musical? Would he/she like to sing, or learn to play an instrument and play in a rock band? Rocksteady is a company that work in partnership with school to deliver a musical learning experience to children which in turn helps improve:

ROC Confidence STEAD Resilience Behaviour Wellbeing Attainment Inclusivity

For more details visit their website:-

www.rocksteadymusicschool.com

Some of our children are already benefitting from the benefits of Rocksteady and take part in a showcase concert every term for their peers.

Classes are delivered at school, in school time. Payments and bookings are made directly through Rocksteady *not school*.

#### **REMINDERS**

#### **PHONES**

For safeguarding reasons please ensure that you are NOT on your mobile phone when you are in the school reception area.



#### **PEDESTRAIN GATES**

We kindly ask that when entering and leaving the site that the pedestrian gate is **NOT pulled or pushed**. Please let the gate close and open automatically. If you encounter any problems, please let the office know.



#### **PARKING**

#### PLEASE...

Be mindful of where you choose to park around school.

Be mindful of our neighbours and local community.

Be kind and use kind language to each other around the school.



Remember our children are always listening.
Set a good example for your children and others.
Remember to rise above it!

PLEASE DO NOT DRIVE OVER AND ALONG PAVEMENTS – This is very dangerous and unnecessary.

#### **EARLY START & TEATIME CLUB**

For safeguarding reasons, please may we remind parents and carers that *all* children who are attending



Early Start Club, *must* be brought in and signed in by an adult.

Any child dropped off before 8:30am will be placed into Early Start Club and you will be charged for this.

If you are late picking up your child, he/she will be taken to teatime club *and you will be charged for this.* Teachers will only wait by the door for a short while after pick up time.

**PICK UP ARRANGEMENTS** 

If you have a *regular* arrangement for a child to walk home (year 6 only) or be picked up by another parent or someone not on the 'class pickup arrangements' please let the office know. Children will not be released to anyone if school have no prior knowledge of it.

If you change pick up arrangements for a one-off afternoon via phone call, this does not constitute a regular change in arrangements. If pickups are to be done by anyone other than someone on your pick list on a regular basis, please notify the office via email/fill in a form.

Too many parents are assuming that if they pick up someone else child, they are automatically allowed to pick up the other persons children. This is only possible if they are on each other's list.

Please give the office plenty of notice if arrangements are to be changed – Thank you.

#### **COMMUNICATION**

Please check your email and text (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.

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

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU HAVE DOWNLOADED THE SCHOOL GATEWAY APP.

## IS YOUR CHILD OFF DUE TO ILLNESS OR AN APPOINTMENT?

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If your child is off due to illness **YOU MUST** inform the office first thing in the morning. You can leave a message on the answering system and then call to follow up.

Alternatively, you can email or text

in. THIS INCLUDES NURSERY.

If your child has an appointment first thing in the morning (made last minute) you must still inform the office and fill in an appointment slip before or on your return to school. School should be informed for all other appointments in advance.

If your child has been **vomiting** or is sent home from school for vomiting please be advised that they should be off for **24 hours** from the last bout of sickness.

If your child has **diarrhoea** or is sent home from school due to having diarrhoea, please be advised that they must be off for **48 hours** from the last bout of diarrhoea

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

You can follow us on (formly Twitter)



We can also be found on the web:

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

The Shawclough PTA are also on:



We are a CASHLESS school. All money transactions are conducted over the SCHOOL GATEWAY APP. We do not accept any cash payments, unless collecting for charities on non uniform days or when special dispensation has been made.

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## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

	February 2024				
16 <sup>th</sup>	Half term –	Whole			
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7th	World Book day	Whole			
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8 <sup>th</sup>	Class Photos	Whole			
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11 <sup>th</sup>	Trip to ChristChurch	Year 1			
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11 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day	Year 3 only			
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13 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Asembly	Year 1			
14th	Oral Health Team	Year 4			
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25 <sup>th</sup>	Circus Skill	Year 3			
29 <sup>th</sup>	Final date for	Year 6			
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90.8%	2C
90.4%	1P
89.0%	5C
88.5%	6S
83.8%	40

# WELL DONE YEAR 3 LEMON CLASS – GOOD JOB!

Please make sure that your child attends school every day, on time.

"TRUST IN THE POWER OF ATTENDENCE – IT'S ESSTENTIAL FOR YOUR CHILDS ACADEMIC SUCCESS!"

# BYE - HAVE A LOVELY HALF TERM!



### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**





#### Workshops for parents/carers of Young People with Autism Spectrum Conditions (ASC)

To book on to any of the workshops below, please contact CAMHS by calling **01706 676000** and specify the date of the workshop you would like to book onto.

Children do not need to be open to CAMHS for parents/carers to attend the workshops but children must have a diagnosis of ASC/ASD or Asperger's Syndrome.

#### Understanding the ASC Diagnosis

This workshop gives an introduction to understanding the diagnosis. It aims to improve parents'/carers' understanding of their child and the different way they may view the world. Children must have a diagnosis of ASC or Asperger's Syndrome for parents/carers to atten

#### Understanding and Managing Behaviour

This is a one-part programme which aims to equip parents/carers with a broader understanding of why children with Autism Spectrum Conditions display behaviours that challenge and to learn about strategies to manage them.

Understanding and Managing Anxiety
This is a one session programme which aims to equip parents/carers with a greater understanding of why children with Autism Spectrum Conditions experience anxiety and the strategies that may be helpful to manage this.

#### Sensory Processing

This is a one session programme which discusses the theory behind sensory processing difficulties. Strategies for both home and school are provided to help manage the child's sensory sensitivities and sensory seeking behaviours. Children must have a diagnosis of ASC, Asperger's Syndrome or ADHD for parents/carers to attend.







#### **ASC Workshops**

January 2024 - July 2024

All workshops run from 9.30-12.30. We run four face-to-face Workshops for families of young people with Social Communication Difficulties.

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Our mental health helpline is here to support our service users and carers of all ages.

## Call 0800 014 9995

24 hours a day, seven days a week.

#### Who is the helpline for?

Our mental health helpline is for our service users and carers of all ages who are experiencing increased mental health needs during the coronavirus.

#### What kinds of support will be available?

#### We can:

- · Listen to you and help you work through immediate problems
- · Work with you to find ways to move forward or suggest ways of working
- · Give you information about other services that may be helpful to you or the person you care for

#### Who will I be speaking to?

The support line is run by experienced mental health professionals who can provide mental health support and advice.

Call 999 if there is an immediate risk of danger to life. Call 111 for urgent medical queries.





How to access the Neurodiversity Hub - Update February 2024

It is no longer necessary to fill in a 'Getting Help' form to access the Neurodiversity Hub for parents/carers or professionals and these forms will no longer be screened by the team

#### How do I access the Neurodiversity Hub

#### Coffee Mornings/Afternoon

The easiest way to access support from the Neurodiversity Hub is by attending one of our coffee sessions to meet the team and discuss the support you require. Sessions are held across Heywood, Middleton and Rochdale. Details of these sessions can be found via our Facebook page HMR Neurodiversity Hub or can be accessed via the local offer website.

#### Telephone Advice line

- If you are unable to access any of our coffee sessions, the Neurodiversity Hub team will be setting up a telephone advice line for parents/carers & professionals which will take place on Tuesdays starting the 13th February 2024
- Please call 0161 206 0606 between 8am and 12pm on a Tuesday morning. You will then be added to a 'call back' list and a member of the team will return your call between 1pm and 3:30pm Tuesday afternoon. Please note—there will be a set amount of telephone appointment slots each Tuesday and these may fill up quickly. If there are no available slots please call us again the following Tuesday.

#### Professional Support/Guidance

- If you feel that your concerns have not/cannot be addressed through universal and targeted services or hub support and you think specialist level assessment/input is required, please refer to the Community Paediatric Service for children Under 5 and the CAMHS service for children over 5.
- For children under 2 years old who are demonstrating delays across their development please refer to the Community Paediatric Service, as appropriate















#### The Neurodiversity Hub

Are you a parent/carer of a child or young person aged 0-19 years old?

If so and you would like to meet The Neurodiversity Hub and other parents/carers, then come along to one of our sessions.

- The opportunity to talk to and share ideas with other parents and carers
- A member of the Neurodiversity Hub will be available to answer any questions about the service and signpost to appropriate services, Resource ideas
- Cup of tea/coffee

This session is for parents or carers and you do not need to bring your child or young person

Coffee Mornings hosted by school

Thursday 15th February 9.15-11 at St Thomas More Primary School, Evesham Road, Alkrington, Middleton, M24 1PY

Thursday 14th March 1:30-3pm Our Lady and St Pauls Primary School, Sutherland Road, Hey-

The Neurodiversity Hub will be attending the following Homestart: RAASS support group sessions: More information available at www.homestartrochdaleandbury.org.uk



Monday 12th February 9:30-11:30 at Trinity Methodist Church Bethel Street, Heywood, OL 10 1HU Thursday 29th February 6.30-8pm at St Georges Church Hall, Bury Road, Oakenrod, Rochdale, OL11 4ED

Tuesday 5th March 2024 9.30-11.30 at Butterworth Hall, New Street, Milnrow, OL 16 3PQ Friday 22nd March 9.30-11.30 at Burnside Community Centre, Burnside Crescent, Langley, M24

Thursday 28th March 6.30-8pm at St Georges Church Hall, Bury Road, Oakenrod, Rochdale, OL11 4ED



Follow us on Facebook for new dates and information HMR Neurodiversity Hub















## **Community MMR Immunisation Clinics**



- . Primary school children who have never had an MMR or only had one dose
- Primary school staff born after 1970 who have not had a complete course of MMR
- Nursery children who missed their first MMR vaccine

Sandbrook Family Hub Centre Tuesday 20th February 11am - 2pm

Call IntraHealth on 0333 3583 397 option 1 to book an appointment

www.intrahealth.co.uk