

# 6<sup>th</sup> September Newsletter

**British Value :**

**Christian Value :**

**Love**

**Respect**

**Friendship**

**Creativity**



**Let all that you do be done in love 1 Corinthians 16:14**



Dear Parents and Carers,

WELCOME BACK!

We hope you have had a wonderful summer holiday and enjoyed some quality time with all your family and friends.

It was great to see all the children back from their Summer break, with beautiful smiles on their faces, eager to meet their new class and teachers.

Unfortunately, we have had some disruption during the holidays with a flood in the Lower Key Stage 2 corridor and Year 3 classrooms. Rest assured, we have been busy sorting this over the summer break and after being back, trying to resolve the situation as soon as possible. We will keep the parents of the children who are in these classes up to date on any developments. Thank you to all the parents, staff and children for their patience in dealing with this matter.

We have sent out the 'Meet the Teacher' dates and times for you to come in and see your children's class teacher to receive information for the learning in the upcoming term and for you to ask any questions you may have. It will be great to welcome you all then.

We have also started our clubs this Autumn term and have the following clubs running: Choir Club on Mondays, Commando Joe on Tuesdays and Chess Club on Fridays.

We all hope to have a really positive start to the new year and looking forward to all the exciting memories we will make this year!

Mrs Patel

## Key Dates

### Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – School Closed to pupils – Staff Training Day  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – School Closed to pupils – Staff Training Day

Term Begins - Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024  
Half Term - Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024  
Term Ends - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024 – School closes at 1pm

### Spring Term 2025

Term Begins - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025  
Half Term - Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025  
Term Ends - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025 – School closes at 1pm

### Summer Term 2025

Bank Holiday - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April  
Bank Holiday - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May  
Bank Holiday - Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May

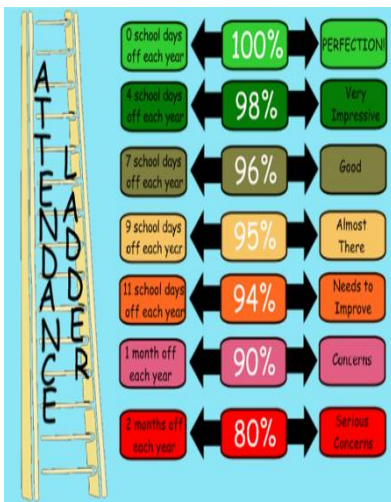
Term Begins - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025  
Half Term - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2025  
Term Ends - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – School closes at 1pm

### Important Notice

If you're driving your child to school please do not drive down the road leading to the main school gates, make sure you park safely, legally and considerately.

Please do not block the school gate as you are preventing staff from getting to school on time and do not use the garages near school to turn your vehicle around or drop off, this is for local residents.

Please don't park across household driveways near schools and always park safely. We don't want to see anyone hurt.



Attendance Percentage	Number of days missed	Number of lessons missed
100%	0 days	0
99%	2 days	18 lessons missed
97%	6 days (more than a week!)	54 lessons missed
95%	9 days	81 lessons missed
94%	11 days (more than 2 weeks!)	99 lessons missed
93%	13 days	117 lessons missed
92%	15 days (3 full weeks!)	135 lessons missed
91%	17 days	153 lessons missed
90%	18 days	144 lessons missed
85%	28 days (over 4 weeks!)	252 lessons missed

If your child is absent from school, please contact the school office on 01204 333005 before 9am to explain the reasons for the absence.

Please try and make any medical appointments such as dental or optometrist appointments outside of school hours to avoid disruption to learning.

### Dinner Money

School meals are provided by Bolton Council. Meals for pupils are provided for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 free of charge. For all other pupils dinners are charged at £12.75 per week (£2.55 per day) unless your family is entitled to Free School Meals. St. Matthews is a cash less

school, you can pay for your children's dinners, trip's; special days and residential via the



### Club News Autumn Term

All Clubs are from 3pm - 4pm

Pick up is from the main gate

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 Choir	Year 3/4 Commando Joe Club 10/9/24 22/10/24			<b>KS2</b> <b>Chess Club</b> <b>13/9/24</b> <b>13/12/24</b>

### Uniform

Trousers (grey/black)  
Skirts/pinafore dresses (grey/black)  
Sweaters/sweatshirts/fleece/cardigans (navy blue)  
Shirts/polo-necked shirts/ blouses (white)  
Socks/tights (white/grey/black)  
Footwear - black shoes/trainers (all black including laces, no obvious logos)



Jogging bottoms and jean style trousers are **NOT** allowed

**Children should come dressed to school in school uniform every day.**

### PE Kit for both boys and girls is as follows:

White polo shirt or T-shirt  
Dark (navy blue, black, grey) jogging bottoms, leggings or shorts  
Dark (navy blue, black, grey) sweatshirt/ fleece  
Black Trainers or pumps

### Information for Parents / Carers

Please come to school for 2:25pm.

Please do not be late it is unfair on the children to disturb them when they have started.

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Year 6 Meet The Teacher	Year 5 Meet the Teacher	Year 4 Meet the Teacher	Year 3 Meet the Teacher	Year 2 Meet the Teacher