



## **Summer 2 Newsletter 2024**

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope all of our families had a lovely half-term break. With only six weeks of the school year left, I wanted to take this opportunity to pass on some important information and dates for this term.

### **Recent school closures**

I would like to thank you for your patience, understanding and continued support regarding the recent school closures.

Closing school is always a last resort and is not a decision taken lightly. On this occasion, the decision was made following consultations with the Chair of Governors, the Local Authority and specialist service providers in the council. There is still longer-term work taking place to repair damage from what we think was a power surge of some sort, but this does not affect the children in any way.

### **After School Clubs**

I would like to say a huge thank you for supporting our After School Clubs this year. We have been able to offer a wide variety of clubs including: Cricket, Lego, Gardening, Athletics, Football, Sewing, Gymnastics, Yoga, Art, Basketball, Chess, Bollywood Dance, Fitness and Times Tables Rockstars. Attendance has been brilliant. I know the children really enjoy taking part and we couldn't do it without you!

### **Attendance**

I would also like to thank you for your continued support with helping to improve attendance. Attendance for the whole school at the end of last term was 94.3%. This is just above the Oldham figure and in line with National. We share attendance with the children each week and we have had a couple of classes who have achieved 100% attendance over a week, which is brilliant!!

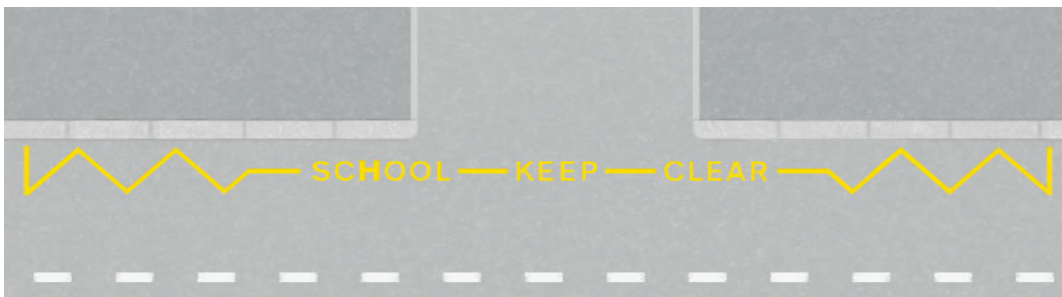
### **Parent Meetings**

Throughout this year we have continued to have regular meetings for our families such as the SEND coffee mornings and the Anti-Bullying workshops. Thank you to those families who have

been able to attend. Working with our community makes a real difference to what happens in school. Everyone is welcome to come along and join us, so if you haven't had the chance yet, it is never too late! Make sure you check the newsletters for dates of future meetings.

### Parking

Thank you to all of our parents who continue to be supportive around traffic issues outside of school. The most important thing we have to do is keep all of our children safe. There are, however, still the usual issues with traffic and parking continuing. Please can I remind parents to park safely when dropping off and picking up each day. Please do not park on the yellow markings as this is illegal and will result in an £80 fine if you are caught on camera by the school safety car, please refrain from dropping children in the middle of the road and please also be mindful of our neighbours and try not to block driveways.



### Uniform

As we near the end of the term, I would like to take this opportunity to remind you about our school uniform in time for the start of the new school year in September.

School uniform is compulsory, and is as follows:

- Black or grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers
- White school shirt or white polo shirt
- Navy blue jumper (with or without school badge) or navy-blue cardigan
- Black school shoes (not trainers) suitable for outside
- Headscarves should be white, blue or black.
- In the summer term only, blue and white checked summer dresses or grey or black short trousers may also be worn

Each child also requires a PE kit, and is as follows:

- Shorts or tracksuit bottoms
- White t-shirt
- Trainers for outside
- Black pumps (or bare feet) for indoors

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school. The exceptions to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears, small objects of religious significance and a watch. We ask that children either remove these objects during PE or cover them with tape.

You can purchase most of the uniform items from large supermarkets. For branded uniform jumpers, you can purchase these from Debonair, at the Indoor Market in Oldham. They can be contacted on 0161 620 0237.

If you have any questions about our school uniform policy, please contact the school office.

### Dates for your Diary

SEND Coffee morning	Tuesday	11/6/24	9.00am
Anti – Bullying Steering group	Friday	14/6/24	9.00am
School Closure Day	Monday	17/6/24	All day
Eid parties and Non – Uniform day	Tuesday	18/6/24	All day
Nursery meeting – new starters in September	Tuesday	18/6/24	9.15am
Y4 Bridgewater Hall	Wednesday	19/6/24	All day
Reception meeting – new starters in September	Thursday	20/6/24	9.15am
5RH - trip to Hollingworth Lake	Thursday	20/6/24	All day
5SM – Trip to Hollingworth Lake	Friday	21/6/24	All day
Early Help Coffee Morning	Friday	21/6/24	9am
Nursery Open session for new children starting in September	Monday	24/6/24	Letter will confirm timings
Reception Open Session for new children starting in September	Monday	24/6/24	Letter will confirm timings
Afternoon Nursery closed	Monday	24/6/24	pm
Y1 – trip to Blackpool Zoo	Tuesday	25/6/24	All day
School Council meeting	Thursday	27/6/24	3.15pm
SEND Coffee morning	Tuesday	2/7/24	9.00am
Y3 – Trip to Ribchester Museum	Tuesday	2/7/24	All day
Y6 Transition days	Thursday Friday	4/7/24 5/7/24	See information from individual high schools
Transition sessions in school	Thursday	4/7/24	pm
Reception assembly	tbc	tbc	9.05 am - Further information to follow
Reports to parents	Friday	12/7/24	3.00pm
Year 6 trip	Tuesday	16/7/24	All day
Year 6 Leavers’ assembly	Friday	19/7/24	9.05 am
End of term	Friday	19/7/24	1.00pm
School re-opens	Wednesday	4/9/24	8.40am

As always if you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office and we will get back to you.

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