



## Newsletter: Friday 21 October 2022

### Free School meals – are you eligible?

Oldham Council is urging families to check whether they are eligible for free school meals. You don't need to make a separate claim for free school meals if you are already in receipt of or have applied for Housing Benefit or help with your Council Tax.

Oldham Council will use the information and evidence we have already provided to confirm your entitlement to free school meals.

If you are a resident in Manchester, please complete the Free School Meals application form. For more information, and to access the form, visit [www.oldham.gov.uk/info/200231/education\\_grants\\_and\\_allowances/161/free\\_school\\_meals](http://www.oldham.gov.uk/info/200231/education_grants_and_allowances/161/free_school_meals)

For any queries about free school meals you can contact the Council on 0161 770 6688 or email: [benefits@oldham.gov.uk](mailto:benefits@oldham.gov.uk)

### Do you follow and like us?

We're building our social profiles and you can now follow us on three different platforms.

Check us out online!



@higherfailsworth



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There's also lots of information about school on our website: [www.higher-failsworth.oldham.sch.uk](http://www.higher-failsworth.oldham.sch.uk)

### Sporting Success

We've had a jam packed term of competitions and sporting events, where the children attend other venues and take part in completion with other schools in our area.

Here's a round up of all of our successes this half term:

23 Sept - Intermediate Cross Country

Bronze - Yr 5/6 Boys - Jacob M

Silver - Yr 5/6 Girls - Araiah H

Gold - Yr 2 Girls - Winter G

Gold - Yr 2 Boys - Zac J

24 Sept - Advanced Cross Country

Gold - Yr 5/6 Boys - Luke R

7 Oct - Intermediate Cross Country

Bronze - Yr 2 Boys - Archie M

Silver - Y2 Boys - Zac J

Gold - Y2 Girls - Winter G

8 Oct 2022 - Advanced Cross Country

Gold - Yr 5/6 Boys - Luke R

10 Oct 2022 - Boccia Event

Bronze - Adam W, Riley S & Grace N

Silver - Jaxon N, Jack R & Jacob S

17 Oct 2022 - Year 3/4 Girls Football

Bronze - Mia M, Emily H, Polly D,

Poppy P, Aria B, Lucie B & Chloe M

Congratulations to all of our winners, and also to all those who took part and tried their best displaying super sportsmanship qualities!





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### Active Learning at HFPS

You may already know that we value sport and competition at school but did you know that we also promote active learning throughout the whole school day?

Active learning isn't just about PE lessons and sports competitions. It's about looking at all the different ways in which we can incorporate movement and being active during the school day.

One of those ways is through focussed activity during break and lunchtimes, which is led by our pupil Sports and Play Leaders.

Our Sports Leaders and Play Leaders have a great impact in creating active break and dinner times. They have been setting a wonderful example to other pupils and delivering activities across the whole school.

Our Play Leaders have been organising games for our younger children in KS1 and Sports Leaders have been leading sports in the KS2 playground and motivating other children to be active and join in.





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Diary Dates - More information will follow about each event!

Date	Year/Class	Event
31 Oct	All	Back to School Halloween Discos - after school - optional paid event
2 Nov	Y5 Kyanite	Castleshaw Trip - outdoor clothing required
9 Nov	Y5 Ametrine	Castleshaw Trip - outdoor clothing required
11 Nov	All	Remembrance Day - In school
18 Nov	All	Children in Need - dress up details to be confirmed
25 Nov	All	Non-uniform for Fair - Bottle and Chocolate donations please
2 Dec	All	Non-uniform for Fair - Toiletries and Gifts donations please
5 Dec	All	Christmas Fair - 3.30pm to 5.00pm
5-8 Dec	All	Half Price Book Fair
6 Dec	All	Christmas Dinner Day - pre-booking required, details to follow
5 Dec	Rec Parents	Reception Christmas Performance (2.00pm)
6 Dec	Rec Parents	Reception Christmas Performance (2.00pm)
8 Dec	Y2 Parents	Y2 Production for parents (4.00pm)
9 Dec		School Governor Day - Governors visit the school
12 Dec	Year 3 / 4	LKS2 Party - Bring change of clothes
13 Dec	Amethyst and selected 5/6	Clarinet Performance for parents at 2.30
14 Dec	Emerald and selected Y5	Brass Performance for parents at 11.45
14 Dec	Year 5 / 6	UKS2 Party - Bring change of clothes
15 Dec	Y3-6 Opt In	Robin Hood Pantomime at Oldham Coliseum (am)
15 Dec	EYFS/KS1	Aladdin Pantomime in school
16 Dec	Nursery Parents	Nursery Singalong - 11.00am to 11.30am
16 Dec	Opal Class	Nursery Christmas Party - Wear party clothes
16 Dec	Sunstone and Moonstone	Reception Party - Wear party clothes
16 Dec	Year 1 / 2	KS1 Party - Wear party clothes
16 Dec	KS2 House TBC	Non-uniform day for winning house team Last day of term - break up for Christmas