

Newsletter: Monday 2nd June 2025

Approaching the end of the School year!

Last term was a short but busy one especially for our Year 6 children who have been excited to receive and wear with pride their leaver's hoodies. It was also SAT's week last week, we have celebrated the hard work and resilience our pupils have shown during SATs. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them!

While SATs test certain skills, they don't measure everything that makes our children special. They don't capture artistic talent, sporting ability, musical flair, emotional intelligence, kindness or creativity. At our school, we value the whole child - and we continue to celebrate every unique strength and gift that our pupils bring.





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School Uniform

We have found a small stock of brand new school uniform that is available to parents/carers at a discounted price.

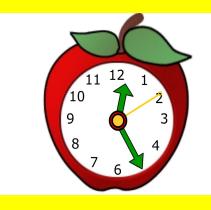
Please contact the school office directly, cash payments only please.

Blue Polo Shirts Age 9 upwards
Navy Sweatshirts Age 11 to 13 ,Small and Large
Red PE shirts Age 3 to 4, XS, Small and Medium
Red PE Hoodies Age 3 to 4
Baseball Caps
Sunhats
PE Bags
Water Bottles

Please be reminded about school times.

Gates will be opened from 8.40am.

Nursery
Morning session door opens
8.45am and closes at 8.55am



Afternoon session – door opens at 12.15pm and close at 12.20pm

Reception and Years 1 & 2-8:55am to 3.15pm Doors open at 8:45am and close at 8.55am

Year 3-6 – 9.00am to 3.20pm Doors open at 8.50am and close at 9.00am

Please remember to bring everything that you need to school such as bags, coats, water bottles, packed lunches, sun hats and sun cream. Thank you.



ParentPay - Please pay in advance

We kindly remind all families that ParentPay accounts should be kept in credit and paid in advance for school services such as school dinners and breakfast club. Paying ahead helps the school manage costs and ensures services can continue smoothly for all children.

To support with budgeting, please note that payments can be made throughout the year and accounts can be topped up at any time, whether weekly, monthly or termly, depending on what suits you best.

If you ever need to discuss payments, financial support, or are struggling with the using ParentPay, please contact our School Business manager, Joanne Fitzgerald, who is always happy to help and talk things through in confidence. We fully understand some of the financial pressures many families are facing.

Where arrears do occur, the following steps will be taken as a reminder but also to support in minimising arrears:

- 1 week's arrears: A reminder via Class Dojo or a telephone call.
- 2 week's arrears: We will ask that any outstanding balance is settled and, in the meantime, request that your child brings a packed lunch and/or avoids attending breakfast club until the arrears are cleared.

We appreciate your continued support in keeping accounts up to date and helping us to provide the best service for all children.





Free School Meals

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If you think your child may be eligible to receive free school meals, you can complete the application form online at Oldham.gov.uk and if you have any queries can email benefitsfsm@oldham.gov.uk.

Universal Free School Meals

All children in reception, year 1 and year 2 in state-funded schools automatically receive free school meals, regardless of family income through the universal free school meal scheme.

However, if you are in receipt of the qualifying benefits, by completing an application form for free school meals, school can get extra funding and your child may be eligible for the holiday activities and food programme funded by the Department of Education.





Sporting Achievements

31st March 2025 - Rise Gymnastics

Gold Medals - Oliva R. L, Winter G, Mya H, Kora P.S & Isaac G.O

Silver Medals - Lucie B, Reeva H, Mollie N, Poppy P & Mya L

Top score of 40 on Vault - Isaac G.O

Top score overall Level 2 - Isaac G.O

Top score overall Level 3 - Kora P.S

3rd April 2025 - Dream Big Dodgeball Competition

Silver Medals - Jude G, Sonny H, Philip T, Kaleb B, Dominic S, Ruby W, Delilah M & Vienne F

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