



Newsletter: Friday 21st November 2025

Reception Places September 2026

If your child was born between
1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022,
they will start their school learning journey in September
2026.

To apply for a Reception place for September 2026
parents/carers must apply through the Oldham Council
website between 1st September 2025 and 15th January 2026.

Important Dates

January 15th 2026 - Deadline for applications

April 16th 2026 - School offers are emailed to parents/carers

How to Apply

Apply online via the Oldham Council website at
[Oldham.gov.uk/admissions](https://oldham.gov.uk/admissions)

Make sure you receive a confirmation email after submitting.
If you don't, contact the Admissions Team at
ecs.pupils@oldham.gov.uk

Follow us on our Social Media platforms:

Facebook: Higherfailsworth

Instagram: Higher Failsworth PS

X: @HigherFPschool





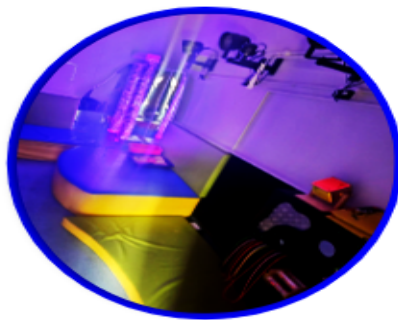
Newsletter: Friday 21st November 2025

Welcome to Higher Failsworth Primary School: A nurturing start to a lifelong love of learning.

We believe that the first years of a child's education are the foundation for their future success. Our Early Years provision offers a safe, stimulating, and nurturing environment where every child is valued as an individual.

We are proud to provide a place where children are encouraged to grow socially, emotionally, academically, and physically. "Pupils' behaviour and attitudes to learning are excellent" Ofsted 2024.

Our dedicated staff create a warm and welcoming atmosphere that inspires curiosity, confidence, and independence from the very beginning. The staff work hard to understand the needs of all our pupils including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND).



What makes us special?

"The school provides pupils with a rich range of experiences that enhance their learning" Ofsted 2024.



Newly developed Early Years outdoor provision that promotes healthy development.

£1 breakfast club from 8am and a selection of **FREE** after school clubs

Extra curricular experiences: performances; Choral Speaking; Music tuition; Sports events...

A safe and inclusive environment: purpose built sensory room, sensory circuits and morning sensory club.

Learning through nature with our **Forest Schools**

A close partnership with parents/carers, with direct communication with staff via Class Dojo

Higher Failsworth Primary School
Address: Stansfield Rd, Failsworth, Manchester M35 9EA
Tel: 0161 681 2645
Email: info@higher-failsworth.oldham.sch.uk
Web: www.higher-failsworth.oldham.sch.uk





**Newsletter: Friday 21st November
2025**



Nursery Places Available



We are delighted to offer Part-Time and Full-Time Nursery Places for children aged 3 and 4 years old.

- ✓ Warm, caring and experienced staff
- ✓ Fun, engaging and creative learning
- ✓ A safe and nurturing environment
- ✓ Helping children grow, play and thrive

Apply now to secure your child's place!

For more information or to arrange a visit, please contact:

0161 681 2645

info@higher-failsworth.oldham.sch.uk



Come and see how we can give your child the very best start to their learning journey.



Click the QR code to take a look at some of our children learning through play in our Early Years outdoor provision



Children in Need Day was a huge success! With plenty of Pudsey's, Blush's, and brilliant pyjamas on show, we had great fun and raised an incredible £295 for Children in Need.

Here are just a couple of examples of what the money raised can do

£50 can pay for a resource bag for a child growing up in poverty, helping them to play at home and supporting their development.

£100 can pay for a child struggling with their mental health to spend a day at a farm to enhance their emotional wellbeing by connecting with nature.





Newsletter: Friday 21st November 2025



School Updates!

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Awudu, our new Catering Assistant, into our HFPS family, Mrs Awudu will be baking delicious cakes and biscuits and serving up delicious dinners at lunch time.

We are also thrilled to share that Miss Whatmough has welcomed a beautiful baby boy. Our warmest congratulations to her family as they celebrate this happy new beginning.



The Holiday Activities and Food Programme is a programme of funded activities during the school holidays aimed to get children who attend to:

- Eat more healthily over the school holidays
- Be more active during the school holidays
 - Be safe and not to be socially isolated
- Have a greater knowledge of health and nutrition
 - Be more engaged with school

Families with children aged 5 to 16 who receive benefits related free school meals in Oldham can book sessions for free.

If you have received this code but have misplaced it, please email OldhamHAF@oldham.gov.uk with the full name, date of birth and address of each eligible child.



Newsletter: Friday 21st November 2025

Sporting Achievements

10th October 2025 - Cross Country Race 2

Gold in Year 1/2 Boys Race - Calvin

Gold in Year 1/2 Girls Race - Olalonpe

Silver in Year 1/2 Boys Race - Esa

Bronze in Year 5/6 Girls Race - Lucy R

23rd October 2025 - Dream Big Football Tournament

Runners Up - Franklin, Carter N, Oscar M.S, Jude S, Jude G, Dawson B, Corey M & Alfie R

Sports Leaders Years 5 & 6

Our Sports Leaders from Year 5 and 6 have had a great impact on active break and dinner times already. They have been setting a great example and delivering a variety of sporting activities in the KS2 playground such as dodgeball, football, cricket etc. Whilst doing this, they help to motivate children to be active and join in.





Newsletter: Friday 21st November 2025

December Dates



| DATE | EVENT / ACTIVITY |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 st December Y2 Both Classes | Y2 are watching "The Snowman". |
| 3 rd December ALL Children | Non-Uniform for the Christmas fair in exchange for - Toiletries, Teddies, Unwanted Gifts & Cakes |
| 8 th December ALL Children | Christmas Fair at school@ 3:30pm – 5:00pm Please bring lots of loose change with you as we are a cashless school. |
| 9 th December Sunstone Class | An adaptation of The Sleepy Shepherd – For Sunstone Class parents/carers. |
| 9 th December Y4 & Select Y5 & The Choir | Brass/Clarinet Concert - Year 4 both classes & select pupils in Y5 who play an instrument & the choir. |
| 9 th December Select children | Nasal flu catch up. |
| 10 th December Tanzanite Class | Tanzanite class are visiting O.S.F.C. |
| 11 th December ALL Children | Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas Jumper Day. For dinners, please pay on the school dinner payment item for this option via parent pay or a barcode at the school office & Christmas Jumpers are to be worn with school uniform. |
| 12 th December Melanite Class | Melanite class are visiting O.S.F.C. |
| 15 th December KS2 Winning House | The winning house will be revealed on Friday 12 th December 2025. On the 15 th ONLY the winning house children are invited to wear their own clothes. |
| 12 th December Moonstone Class | An adaptation of The Sleepy Shepherd – For Sunstone Class parents/carers. |
| 16 th December Y3 Both Classes | Y3 Production "An adaptation of Pompeii the musical" |
| 16 th December Y1 Both Classes | Library visit – children are to wear school uniform. |
| 17 th December Y5 & Y6 | Upper KS2 Years 5 & 6 class party – Wednesday 17 th December 2025. Children can come to school in their party clothes, with sensible footwear on the day of their class party. (No crop-top or high heels). |
| 17 th December After School Dance | KS2 After School Dance Club performance for parents. Please sign in at 4pm at the school office. |
| 18 th December Both Classes | Reception (Sunstone & Moonstone) class party – Thursday 18 th December 2025. Children can come to school in their party clothes, with sensible footwear on the day of their class party. (No crop-top or high heels). |
| 18 th December Y1 & Y2 | KS1 Years 1 & 2 class party – Thursday 18 th December 2025. Children can come to school in their party clothes, with sensible footwear on the day of their class party. (No crop-top or high heels). |
| 18 th December Y3 & Y4 | Lower KS2 Years 3 & 4 class party – Thursday 18 th December 2025. Children can come to school in their party clothes, with sensible footwear on the day of their class party. (No crop-top or high heels). |
| 18 th December Nursery | Nursery class party – Thursday 18 th December 2025. Children can come to school in their party clothes, with sensible footwear on the day of their class party. All Nursery children are invited to stay all day and we ask that you bring a packed lunch for your child. |
| 18 th December Nursery | Nursery Sing-a-long. Parents are to arrive for the performance at 2.30pm for a 2.40pm start. |
| 18 th December Choir | Children in the Choir will be singing at Charles Morris House. |