

Spring 2 Newsletter 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to school following the half term holiday. I hope you were able to spend some quality time with family and friends. It is difficult to believe we are already half way through this school year!

Clubs

We have a number of After School Clubs on offer for our children this term. These include: Basketball—Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6
STEM Lego Club — Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3
TT Rockstars / KS2 Homework Club — Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6
Football — Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3
Art Club - Year 5 and Year 6

Our clubs change each half term, keep your eyes open for letters and further information if you would like your child to attend one of our clubs after the Easter holidays. A plan for clubs for the whole school year can be found on the school website.

<u>Eid</u>

Lots of our families will begin fasting on 11th March and will celebrate Eid during the Easter break. To celebrate Eid with our children at school this year we will have Eid parties, a non-uniform day and a special Eid lunch when we return to school after the holidays. See the diary dates below for further details.

We would also, as a school community, like to be involved in an 'Act of Kindness'. We have contacted the local foodbank, who are working to combat poverty and hunger. They don't want anyone in the wider community to go hungry, and so provide three days' nutritional balanced emergency food and support to local people in crisis.

We are asking that each child brings at least one item of food into school that we can collect together and donate to the foodbank. The foodbank most needs tins of rice pudding, jam, cereal, pot noodles, cordial or squash and tinned tomatoes, but anything you can offer would be much appreciated! All food stuff needs to be in date and sealed.

This is a great opportunity to help people in need and I thank you in advance for any donations you may be able to send into school.

Attendance

Each term we talk about attendance and how important it is. Children only get one chance at school, and your child's chances of a successful future will be affected if they don't attend school regularly.

We are working hard with the children in school to encourage excellent attendance, we really need your support at home too.

A quick reminder about holidays during term time. A growing number of parents have been submitting requests for leave during term time. We know that good attendance is the key to successful schooling, but this is only possible if your child attends school every day. I cannot authorise leave during term time, and fines will be issued for 10 or more unauthorised absences. Please try your best to only travel, or take holidays, during the school holidays. We have 13 weeks off school each year, please try to use these weeks and avoid your child missing school during term time.

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.



Diary Dates

Please see below for information around events taking place this half term.

Year 2 Choral Speaking Assembly	Wednesday	6/3/24	9.00am
Year 6 SATs Parents meeting	Thursday	7/3/24	2.30pm
Year 6 SATs Parents meeting	Friday	8/3/24	9.00am
Anti – Bullying Steering group	Friday	8/3/24	9.00am
Reception Vision Screening	Wednesday	13/3/24	All day
Year 1 Choral Speaking Assembly	Wednesday	13/3/24	9.00am
Attendance Surgery	Wednesday	20/3/24	All day
Family Hub Opening Day	Wednesday	20/3/24	1-4pm

School Council Meeting	Thursday	21/3/24	3.15pm
Y4 go to Bolton Museum	Tuesday	26/3/24	All day
School Closes for Easter Holidays	Thursday	28/3/24	1.00pm
School re-opens	Monday	15/4/24	8.40am
Eid Celebration Lunch	Monday	15/4/24	-
Eid Parties and Non-Uniform	Friday	19/4/24	All Day

School Website

Our school website is full of lots of useful information about school and is an excellent way for parents and carers to find out more about Stanley Road. To view our website please visit: www.stanleyroad.oldham.sch.uk

On our website you will find information about Stanley Road, lots of detail on the curriculum we deliver to our children, a calendar with important dates, and lots of useful documents and school policies that you are able to download and read in your own time.

I would like to thank you for your continued support.

As always if you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office and we will get back to you. If you ever have any queries, I can be found outside the front of school most days in the morning and at home time, your child's teacher will also be on the playground at the end of each day. For discussions of a more private nature, you can make an appointment to see me with the school office. In my absence Mrs Tracey or Mr Percival would be more than happy to talk to you. Please don't hesitate to speak to us should you need to.

Mrs. Howarth