

Bowlee Park Community School School Newsletter

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Children who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve well at school and reach their full potential. Missing school disrupts school routines and learning. The most common reason given for children to miss school is illness, however most of the time childhood ailments can be managed in school.

Many children experience minor illness from time to time. Most of these do not need a prescription, are rarely serious and do not require time away from school. Often treating your child's minor illness or ailment yourself, or with advice and medicines from your pharmacist, can be the quickest and easiest way to deal with it.

Schools may not agree to authorise your child's absence for minor illnesses, and you have a duty to ensure your child is not absent where this can be avoided.

Tigger-on-time Winners

The class with the least lates across each phase (Nursery & reception, 1 & 2, 3 & 4, 5 & 6) will have the honour of homing Tigger-on-time for the week!

**Reception Class 4
Year 1 Class 3
Year 2 Class 2
Year 4 Class 1
Year 5 Class 1 & 3
Year 6 Class 1**

Attendance Bear Winners

The class with the highest attendance across each phase will have the honour of homing the Attendance Bear for the week!

**Pre School Class 1
Year 1 Class 1
Year 2 Class 2
Year 3 Class 1
Year 5 Class 1 & 3**



Please make sure your child's name and class in all school uniform, bags and coats. In the event an item is lost, it makes reuniting with the owner much easier.

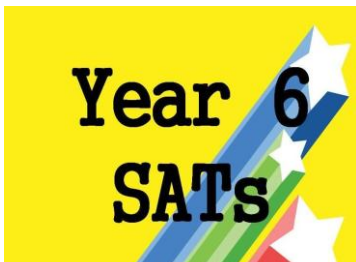




This week's
**Healthy Packed
Lunch of the Week**
goes to...



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Year 6 SATs take place next week. It is **very important** that your child attends school as tests can only be completed on the specified days.

Year 6 should arrive at 8.30am through their normal door. They will be given breakfast in school.

Please support your child by ensuring that they:

- Go to bed in good time each night
- Come into school each day to sit all the papers
- Bring their glasses and/or inhalers, if they require them, each day.

We also recommend that during SATs week, Children take a break from social media and unnecessary phone use. This will help them stay focused, positive, and avoid any distractions or issues among friends.

If there are any issues on the day of SATs, please telephone the school office as early as possible.



Well done to the Year 3 and 4 girls who took part in the Rochdale Schools Girls' Football Festival. The girls demonstrated excellent skills throughout and received great feedback from the coaches involved.





National Smile Month: 11th May – 11th June

Next week marks the start of National Smile Month, a fantastic opportunity to remind our children how important it is to take care of their teeth and keep their mouths healthy.

Good oral hygiene is essential for overall health and wellbeing, and developing positive habits early can make a lifelong difference. During this month, we will be encouraging all pupils to think about how they can look after their smiles every day.

Key messages to remember:

- Brush your teeth twice a day – once in the morning and again before bed
- Use a fluoride toothpaste to help protect against tooth decay
- Visit the dentist regularly for check-ups
- Limit sugary snacks and drinks to keep teeth strong and healthy

We encourage parents and carers to support these habits at home. Together, we can help our children build bright, healthy smiles that last a lifetime!

Create a Smiley Monster

For Smile Month we have got a competition the whole family can get involved in!

The rules are simple – we want you to create a monster made entirely or partially from oral health products. Whether it be floss harps, toothbrushes or mouthwash bottles, it doesn't matter as long as it's colourful, creative and has a smile!

It's that easy.

How to enter

- Create a smiley monster using oral health products and craft materials. The monster must be made entirely or partially of oral health products and must have a distinctive smile.
- Send photos of your smiley monster by:
 - Uploading it to social media, tagging Smile Month, and using the hashtag #SmileyMonster
 - Emailing pr@dentalhealth.org
- All entries must include photos of the monster, a name, and the age category.

Here are some examples:



Diary Dates

Mon 27th April – 15th May	Bike Ability
Mon 11th Fri 15th May	YEAR 6 SATS
Mon 11th May	Year 5 Class 4 Stay and Learn 9am Hall Entrance via hall doors
Fri 15th May	Reception Class 3 Assembly Grey Hall Entrance via year 3 doors 9am
Tues 19th May	Year 2 Music Concert Hall Entrance via hall doors 9.15am
Tues 19th May	Music Concert Year 3 Class 1, 4.1 and 5.1 Hall Entrance via hall doors 2.30pm
Wed 20th May	Music Concert Year 3.3, 4.3 and 5.3 Hall Entrance via hall doors 9.15am
Wed 20th May	Music Concert Year 3.2, 4.2 and 5.2 Hall Entrance via hall doors 2.30pm
Thurs 21st May	Music Concert Year 3.4, 4.4 and 5.4 Hall Entrance via hall doors 9.15am
Thurs 21st May	Year 1 Music Concert Hall Entrance via hall doors 2.45pm
Thurs 21st May	Reception Reading for Pleasure drop-in 08:45-9am – Reception Classes
Fri 22nd May	Reception Class 4 Assembly Grey Hall Entrance via year 3 doors 9am
Fri 22nd May	Year 1 Class 2 Assembly Hall Entrance via hall doors 9am
Fri 22nd May	Last day of term






Free Workshops for Parents & Carers of Children & Young People with SEND/SEMH in Rochdale

'Communication Through Play'
Wednesday 20th May 2026 @ 9:30am-12pm

'De-Escalate, Regulate & Recover'
Tuesday 16th June 2026 @ 9:30am-12pm

'Communication & Wellbeing for SEND/SEMH Families'
Tuesday 29th September 2026 @ 9:30am-12pm

'Lifeskills and Independence'
Tuesday 20th October 2026 @ 9:30am-12pm

'E-Safety for SEND/SEMH Families'
Tuesday 17th November 2026 @ 9:30am-12pm

'Friendships, Puberty & Safe Choices'
Wednesday 9th December 2026 @ 9:30am-12pm



Scan QR Code for more & to book!






Are you struggling with your child's school attendance?

Join our school attendance support for parents (SASP) group this summer.

Our education welfare service offers a safe space for parents and carers (only) to access confidential peer support, advice, and guidance to overcome these challenges. Refreshments provided.

Upcoming sessions

- 20 May 2026, 4-5.30pm at Sandbrook Family Hub
- 3 June 2026, 1.15-3pm at Belfield Family Hub
- 8 June 2026, 2.30-4pm at Norden Family Hub
- 10 June 2026, 9am-12pm at Derby Street Family Hub
- 17 June 2026, 1-3pm at Langley Family Hub

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