

9th July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Alexandra Park Junior School THANK the NHS Day!**



On **Tuesday the 13th of July** we would like the children to participate in a non-uniform day. This is a nationwide competition to thank the NHS for their hard work throughout the pandemic. "Books about Who" are working with schools nationwide to raise money for the NHS Charities Together and give children a chance to have their work proudly published.

If you wish your child to take part please bring a £1 coin to school (this will be dropped in a bucket at the school gate) and wear non-uniform (bright colours like the rainbow would be great).

Teachers are working with children on their pictures and poems and Mrs Seabright will send these off to the charity.

We thank you for your support.

### **Secondary School Applications for children in Year 5**

Please find attached the 'Year 5' letter sent to Year 5 pupils that are resident in Oldham.

The application process for secondary admissions begins on 01.08.21 and 26.07.21 for applications made to The Brian Clarke Academy.

The school admissions website is currently being updated and will be ready for the 01.08.21. In addition, the website also lists the schools open days/evening and tours.

### **RE: Food Vouchers to cover the Summer Holiday 2021**

You may have read in the local media that Oldham Council has secured from Government over £917,000 to support families with children through its COVID local support fund, which will be used to cover the Summer holiday 2021.

We, as your local school, are working with the Council to deliver food vouchers to families with children entitled to income based free school meals before schools close for the Summer break.

We want to ensure that those eligible for free school meals on the grounds of low income receive a food voucher to cover the Summer holiday at £12.50 per week per child for a maximum 6-week period.

The most effective way of ensuring vulnerable families receive the vouchers that can be used in the Oldham supermarket of their choice is via a third-party online hub – known as WONDE.

WONDE is a data integration company already used by many schools in Oldham who offer a free school meal voucher system. This voucher system has a live link to your school's data therefore automatically recognises the students who are eligible for Free School Meals. The system should be quick and easy to use and produces the vouchers that can be used in most Oldham supermarkets.

If your child is entitled to income based free school meals, please look out for an email and/or text confirming that your voucher has been issued.

For more information go to: <https://help.evouchers.com/hc/> - this includes a step by step guide of how to access the vouchers (once your school has issued them to you).



If you have any questions, please contact the school in the first instance.

For any families that are really struggling for food and provisions over the Summer, please visit the Oldham Council website [www.oldham.gov.uk/wecanhelp](http://www.oldham.gov.uk/wecanhelp) which lists financial support and benefits that are available for residents.

### Spelling Shed Winners



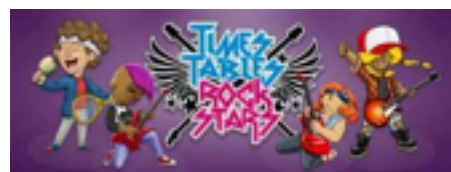
Place	Winners	Total points awarded for correct spellings
1st	Class 6	77,570,230
2nd	Class 12	58,003,936
3rd	Class 3	56,417,604

Congratulations to our top speller this week Mohammed Hadi Malick (Class 6) with an incredible 76,367,344 points. Amazing determination! Keep practising children!

### Times Tables Rock Stars

Stats for over the last 7 days

1st Place - Class 1 70%  
2nd Place - Class 4 53%  
3rd Place - Class 12 50%



A special mention to Raza (Class 5) with a whopping 1036 correct answers in 7 days!

### ATTENDANCE

Well done to classes 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10 and 12 for achieving over 96% attendance last week. A SUPERB well done to class 1 for 100% attendance!



### COVID Test results - REMINDER

A reminder to parents to send any results to us directly regarding COVID test results.

This email is [covid@alexandrapark.oldham.sch.uk](mailto:covid@alexandrapark.oldham.sch.uk)

If you receive a negative or positive result anytime (including the weekend AND over the Holidays) please email the details to the above. The sooner we are informed the sooner we can allow your child back into school or take action (with the advice from public health) for a bubble/class of children that may need to isolate. We can then inform parents if required.

We thank all parents for the immediate responses we have had. You have certainly worked with staff to support the safety of children and staff with high levels of communication.

