

16th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Coffee morning

Thank you to all the parents who joined us this morning for our first Coffee morning. Thanks to Miss Varley for opening up and welcoming parents for the first one. We wish to support families and also establish a good connection of parents who we can meet with in school. Your voice and views are very much welcomed and of course your presence.



### Parents/Carers Meetings

All parents/carers will be receiving information this week and next regarding our teacher parent meetings in school. Again these meetings will be great to establish our strong partnerships once again in the very best interests of our children. Please ensure that you sign up to a time to meet with your child's class teacher.

### Year 6 Applications to Secondary School

Just a reminder for all year 6 parents to apply for your child's secondary school. This information was sent out via letter in July and has also recently been posted on Class Dojo. Attached is another copy of this info with the link to apply below. If families require any support with this then please do contact Miss Thompson or Miss Yasmin.

[www.oldham.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.oldham.gov.uk/admissions)

### Paying our respects to our Royal Highness Queen Elizabeth II

Today Mrs Seabright (Headteacher) took a child from each year group to pay our respects to our Royal Highness Queen Elizabeth II. Together they laid flowers and signed the book of condolence at the Civic Centre in Oldham.

In school all children have contributed poems, messages and drawings for a whole school book of condolence and when complete will be displayed in school for all to read and view.

We also dedicated our first whole school handwriting competition to the Queen and we wish to share this lovely poem with our families at the end of this newsletter.

### Resilience Assembly with Mrs Seabright (Headteacher)

Whole school assembly this week was based on Resilience. Children learn't what 'Resilience' means and strategies on how to 'Bounce Back!'

Here are the links to support your children and families at home.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sKpBJsZ7EE>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zeu9X88g8DE>



### Attendance

Well done to classes 2, 5 and 9 for achieving 96% attendance last week.  
A SUPERB well done to class 2 for 100%.

A reminder that school begins promptly at 8.40am.

### Dates for next week:

**Monday 19th September** - Closed for the Bank Holiday for the Royal Highness Queens Elizabeth's State Funeral

**Tuesday 20th September** - Whole School Freddy Fit

**Wednesday 21st - Friday 23rd September** - Year 6 RESIDENTIAL to Kingswood

**Friday 23rd September** - Year 5 Wonderdome

Phillip came to me today,  
and said it was time to go.  
I looked at him and smiled,  
as I whispered that "I know"

I then turned and looked behind me,  
and seen I was asleep.

All my family were around me,  
and I could hear them weep.

I gently touched each shoulder,  
with Phillip by my side.  
Then I turned away and walked,  
with my angel guide.



*Alexandra Park Junior School*

*To Learn, Be Happy and Achieve Our Best*

Phillip held my hand,  
as he lead the way,  
to a world where kings and queens,  
are monarchs every day.

I was given a crown to wear  
or a halo known by some.  
The difference is up here,  
they are worn by everyone.

I felt a sense of peace,  
my reign had seen its end.  
70 years I had served my country,  
as the peoples friend.

Thank you for the years,  
for all your time and love.  
Now I am one of two again,  
in our palace up above.

Joanne Boyle.



To Parent/Carer

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Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Applying for a Secondary School place for September 2023**

Your child is due to start secondary school in September 2023. This is a very exciting and important time. I am writing to make you aware of how and when you need to apply and where to access information to guide you through this process.

**You will need to complete an application using the online application system available on the Oldham Council website.** It's quick and easy and ensures school offers can be made efficiently via e-mail.

The online system opened on **1 August 2022** and will close at **5pm on 31 October 2022**.

We recommend that a **minimum** of three preferences are made for any application.

If you don't have access to the internet, there are computers in all Oldham's libraries and at the Civic Centre – Access Oldham.

For faith schools you will need to fill in a supplementary form or provide documentation in addition to the application you make to us. Supplementary forms are available from and returned to the relevant school.

To enable you to have a look at what is on offer, all Oldham secondary schools will be holding open evenings during the autumn term. You will be able to access further information, a guide, and links to school websites by logging onto [www.oldham.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.oldham.gov.uk/admissions)

Should you have any initial queries please do not hesitate to contact the Admissions Team on the above telephone number.

Yours sincerely,

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