

Newlands School



We can and we do!

# NEWLANDS NEWS

22nd March 24

Week 4 Spring Term 2

## MESSAGE FROM FARZANA



We have celebrated World Down Syndrome Awareness Day this week so thank you to everyone who wore odd socks and helped to raise awareness on Thursday!

World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD), 21 March, is a global awareness day which has been officially observed by the United Nations since 2012.

All over the world, events are held to amplify the voices of people who have Down's syndrome, highlighting their vital role in our communities and calling for their full participation in anything that affects their lives. Here at Newlands, we like to celebrate the different needs of all of our children and help them to achieve their full potential. This links in to our mission statement 'We Can and We Do!'

It was good to see parents and carers in school for the Yoga session on Tuesday and we look forward to other opportunities for you to come in and engage with your child's learning.

If you have any questions or would like to get in touch, you can always ring the school on 0161 655 0220 or email the school office ([office@newlands.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:office@newlands.rochdale.sch.uk)).

Kind regards from Farzana.

## THIS WEEKS SUPERSTAR AWARDS

- \* Isabella- White
- \* Ibrahim—White
- \* Jacob - Orange
- \* Blake - Yellow
- \* Liam - Blue
- \* Robert - Indigo
- \* Erin- Violet
- \* Vicky—Violet
- \* Fatima- Gold



## Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....

This week's attendance is: 91.17%

Our topic this half  
term is:

EYFS & KS1—

*People I Know*

KS2—*People From  
the Recent Past*

# OUR LEARNING

During Science week last week, every class took part in an Invention Competition. Bronze Class invented a “snack-a-pult” - a catapult to launch snacks and treats. We had great fun designing and making our Snackapult, working together as a team to complete it. We had even more fun trying out our invention to see how far we could make the treats fly!

At the end of the week, some of our school governors came into school to judge all the inventions—we were very very proud that the Snackapult won!!



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# OUR LEARNING

This week saw us hold another Parent & Child Yoga session in school with Sofi. Our pupils really engage with Yoginis Yoga, and learn balance & co-ordination skills, as well as breathing and calming techniques. It was great to see some of our parents / carers who were able to attend and take part in a session with their child.



Some of our Year 6 pupils took part in a transition visit to Redwood Secondary School this week. They got to have a look round their new school surroundings ready for September, and met some of the staff. They also got to see some old friends who have moved up to Redwood in the past few years.



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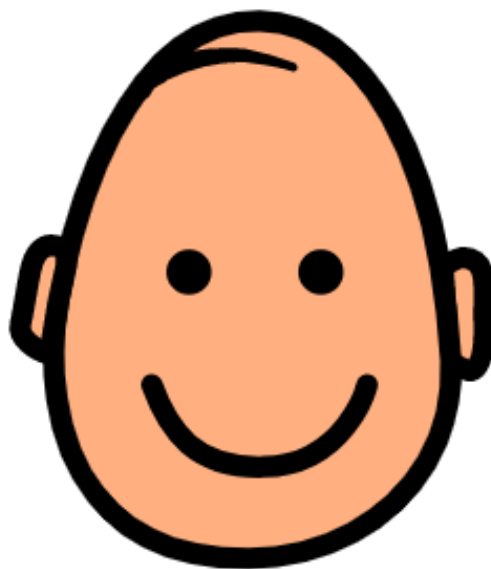
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Don't forget to  
check the school  
website / Youtube  
channel for videos  
of how to sign our  
Sign of the Week!

# SIGN OF THE WEEK

This week we have been using these symbols and learning the signs



happy



Spring



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# CHILD & FAMILY SUPPORT

## Rochdale's Short Breaks Matrix

If you have a child or young person up to the age of 18, who has a diagnosis of special educational need and/or disability, they could access a Short Break activity that takes place throughout the Rochdale Borough

For more information on Rochdale's Local Offer:  
[www.ourrochdale.org.uk/localoffer](http://www.ourrochdale.org.uk/localoffer)



### Your Trust

Name	Activity	Description	Ages	When	Cost	Contact Details & Location	Siblings
<b>FRESH - School Holiday Multi-Sport Activities</b> 	<b>Sports Holiday Club</b>	Various indoor and outdoor sporting and sensory activities.	4-18yrs	School Holidays 10am – 3pm  Does not run during Christmas holiday period.  Check with provider for availability	Free	Rochdale District Wide Contact: Samuel Smith 01706 923261 <a href="mailto:Samuel.Smith@yourtrustrochdale.co.uk">Samuel.Smith@yourtrustrochdale.co.uk</a> Or Leigh Anne Carnall 07527 385885 <a href="mailto:LeighAnne.Carnall@rochdale.gov.uk">LeighAnne.Carnall@rochdale.gov.uk</a>  Check with provider for venue details	Check with provider for details

### The Arts Club

Name	Activity	Description	Ages	When	Cost	Contact Details & Location	Siblings
<b>Holiday Club</b> 	<b>Creative Holiday Club</b>	Enjoy a wide range of creative activities.	4-18yrs	10am – 3pm  School holiday period. Check for availability	Free	01706 750815 <a href="mailto:Justin.Henderson@Redwood-School.com">Justin.Henderson@Redwood-School.com</a>  Based at Redwood school and venues throughout the Borough. Check with provider for venue details	No

Name	Activity	Description	Ages	When	Cost	Contact Details & Location	Siblings
<b>Nature Ninjas</b> 	<b>Outdoor Activity</b>	Learn about wildlife & enjoy a range of outdoor activities	8-18yrs	Saturdays 9.30am – 12midday <u>Term time only</u>	Per session £1	Hollingworth Lake Visitor Centre 01706 769634 <a href="mailto:rochdale.services@barnardos.org.uk">rochdale.services@barnardos.org.uk</a>	Limited spaces for siblings. Check with provider
<b>Drama Group – Act Too</b> 	<b>Performing Arts</b>	Learn new skills and enjoy creating performances	8-18yrs	Fridays 5.30pm – 7.30pm <u>Term time only</u>	Per session £1	M6 Theatre Company 01706 769634 <a href="mailto:rochdale.services@barnardos.org.uk">rochdale.services@barnardos.org.uk</a>	Limited spaces for siblings. Check with provider
<b>Art Attack</b> 	<b>Arts &amp; Crafts</b>	Enjoy a wide range of creative activities	8-18yrs	Thursdays 5.30pm – 7.30pm <u>Term time only</u>	Per session £1	Springvale Youth Centre 01706 769634 <a href="mailto:rochdale.services@barnardos.org.uk">rochdale.services@barnardos.org.uk</a>	Limited spaces for siblings. Check with provider
<b>Chill Out – Speak Out</b> 	<b>Youth Club</b>	A youth group for disabled children to offer peer support and enjoy activities that help to get ready for adulthood	10-18yrs	Saturdays 1.30pm – 4pm	Per session £1	Matthew Moss Youth Centre 01706 769634 <a href="mailto:rochdale.services@barnardos.org.uk">rochdale.services@barnardos.org.uk</a>	Limited spaces for siblings. Check with provider
<b>Art Holiday Club</b> 	<b>Creative Holiday Club</b>	Enjoy a wide range of creative activities	8-18yrs	Thursday and Fridays 10am – 3pm  School Holiday period.	Per session £3 Includes lunch	Springvale Youth Centre 01706 769634 <a href="mailto:rochdale.services@barnardos.org.uk">rochdale.services@barnardos.org.uk</a>	Call to request a place. Limited spaces for siblings. Check with provider.
<b>Junior Art Attack</b> 	<b>Arts &amp; Crafts</b>	Enjoy a wide range of creative activities	4 - 8yrs	Thursdays 4pm – 5.30pm  Term time only	Per session £1	Springvale Youth Centre 01706 769634 <a href="mailto:rochdale.services@barnardos.org.uk">rochdale.services@barnardos.org.uk</a>	Limited spaces for siblings. Check with provider

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# EASTER ACTIVITIES



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If you are in receipt of free school meals you will have been emailed your HAF vouchers via Holiday Activities.

Please do look out for these vouchers and make use of them for some free childcare sessions over the Easter break.

There are still places available at a number of holiday activities, including those listed below, which all cater for children with SEND:

- \* Redwood school; both Middleton and Rochdale sites
- \* The Nursery; SEND childcare, Rochdale Town Centre
- \* Eliza Says; both Littleborough and Milnrow sites

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# IMPORTANT NOTICES

## Communication with school

We welcome an open and transparent relationship with our parents/carers. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact school directly to discuss. Please note that social media is not an appropriate way to express concerns about school as we have no method to respond and discuss/address any issues you may have.

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Class dojo message to your child's teacher

## Reminders

- We would really appreciate your feedback—please complete a parent survey on our website <https://www.newlands.rochdale.sch.uk/our-families/parent-view>
- We are a non-smoking site. Can we please remind all our parents and carers that smoking or vaping is not permitted on site, even in your own vehicles. Thankyou
- Please don't forget to check your child's Earwig observations each week
- Our class email addresses are no longer in use. If you need to contact your child's class, please do this via class dojo

## Dates for your diary

- Thursday 28th March—school closes for Easter at the usual time of 3.10pm. We re-open on Monday 15th April
- Tuesday 16th April—Parent Gardening Group—more information to follow



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