



Newall Green Primary School

Aiming High To Reach Our Goals

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What an exciting time we've had at Newall Green Primary School this week! Our recent Sports Day was a true highlight, showcasing the incredible spirit and enthusiasm of our children. It was wonderful to see so many of you cheering from the sidelines, creating an atmosphere of joy and support.

Our children demonstrated remarkable determination and teamwork, embodying the values we hold dear at our school. Every event was filled with laughter and friendly competition. The day wasn't just about winning; it was about participation, encouragement, and creating lasting memories.

We were all immensely proud of how our children conducted themselves, showing respect for their peers and giving their all in every activity. These events are crucial in developing not just physical skills, but also important life skills like resilience and sportsmanship. Thank you to everyone who made this day possible. Your support makes our school community truly special.



🎉 Congratulations Year 6! 🎉

We are so proud of each and every one of you for completing your SATs last week! You've worked incredibly hard, shown determination, and approached the challenge with courage and resilience.

SATs are just one part of your journey—and what matters most is the effort you've put in, the progress you've made, and the kind, curious people you are becoming. You've done yourselves proud, and we couldn't be happier for you.

Now it's time to look ahead to the fun, exciting adventures ahead. You've got bright futures ahead—keep shining!

Well done! ✨

Reception's Trip to Smithills Open Farm

Sunshine and smiles at the farm. We had a great day: feeding goats, sheep, and alpacas; riding donkeys; meeting lots of different animals including an emu chick; holding our own chicks! The farmer explained how they milk the cows and what happens to the milk. We were able to show him how much we already knew about farms from our lessons in school and he was very impressed!



Holiday Club

Book now for the May Half Term

How To Book

- Head to the MCR Active website to register your child and to book spaces.
- Go to the Manchester Active website
- Find your activity and provider.
- Search for Newall Green Primary School
- View your result and select your preferred days.

Half Term Holiday Dates are:

Tues 27th May - Fri 30th May

Alternatively, scan the QR to access to book your child's place.



*Please note children who are not entitled to free school meals will also be able to book on to the club four days prior to the start date.



NEWALL GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL HAF CLUB FIRBANK ROAD M23 2YH

A fun-packed full and diverse programme which offers the best sporting environment for children aged 5-11 years to have fun, keep active and to eat healthily, with the support and guidance of inspiring sports staff.

Our programme offers a varied selection of all activities and interests from 9am - 2pm during school holidays.

The programme also includes a freshly cooked meal at lunchtime.



MCRactive



- ◊ **Aged 5 - 11**
- ◊ **All weather sports**
- ◊ **Indoor Sports**
- ◊ **Crafts**
- ◊ **Outdoor learning activities**
- ◊ **From 9:00am-2:00pm**
- ◊ **Lunch provided**

Any issues or questions regarding booking your child on, please call the office on 0161 437 2872

Attendance

At the end of Summer 1 half term, our current whole school attendance is 92.3% (school target is 95%).

Well done to our weekly winners:

1TB – 95.2%

3KS – 93%

5BH – 96.2%

Acorn – 98.2%

There are **190** days in a school year which leaves **175** days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.



As we approach the May half term, I find myself reflecting on the incredible journey we've shared this academic year. Our school community has shown remarkable resilience, creativity, and togetherness throughout the challenges we've faced. The upcoming break offers a wonderful opportunity for our children to recharge, spend quality time with family, and perhaps embark on new adventures. When we return, we'll be ready to embrace the final stretch of the school year with renewed energy and enthusiasm.

We look forward to welcoming you all back on **Monday 2nd June**.

As always, if you have anything you need to discuss, please contact the office.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Rudd
Executive Headteacher



Date	Event
MAY	
Friday 23 rd May	SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR HALF TERM
JUNE	
Monday 2 nd June	BACK TO SCHOOL
Thursday 5 th June	Drama Performance 5.15pm
Monday 9 th June	YEAR 1 PHONICS SCREENING WEEK
Tuesday 10 th June	5JH & ½ SMP to Venture Out
Wednesday 11 th June	5BH & ½ SMP to Venture Out
Thursday 12 th June	Year 3 to Grosvenor Museum
Tuesday 17 th June	5BH to Clayton Hotel
Tuesday 17 th June	Nursery meeting for new parents KS1 Hall 3.45pm
Thursday 19 th June	Year 1 to Blackpool
Wednesday 25 th June	Summer Safety Workshop for Parents KS1 Hall 9.00am
Thursday 26 th June	Year 5 Showcase Assembly
JULY	
Thursday 3 rd July	Year 1 Showcase Assembly
Friday 4 th July	Year 3 Showcase Assembly
Monday 7 th / Tuesday 8 th July	Reception Vision & Hearing Screening
Thursday 10 th July	Year 2 Showcase Assembly
Thursday 10 th July	Year 6 Production (with children attending) 1.30pm
Thursday 10 th July	Year 6 Production (no children attending) 5.30pm
Friday 11 th July	Year 4 Showcase Assembly
Wednesday 16 th July	Year 6 to Gulliver's Theme Park
Friday 18 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 11.00am
Friday 18 th July	SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR SUMMER

Attendance meeting – important information

School starts at 8:45am



Children arriving between
9 – 9:30am will receive a
Late mark (L Code)

Children arriving after
9:30am will receive an
**Unauthorised Absence
(U Code)** which affects
their overall attendance

If you need to report your child absent from school, **you must contact the office via phone call before 8:45am** on the first day of absence, and each subsequent day.

If your child is absent and school have not received any contact from you, you will receive a text message, phone call and a visit to your home address may take place.

This is part of school's safeguarding procedures, to ensure that all pupils are safe and well.

We understand that children pick up sickness bugs and illnesses which result in them being absent from school.

In most cases, these absences will be authorised

(I code)

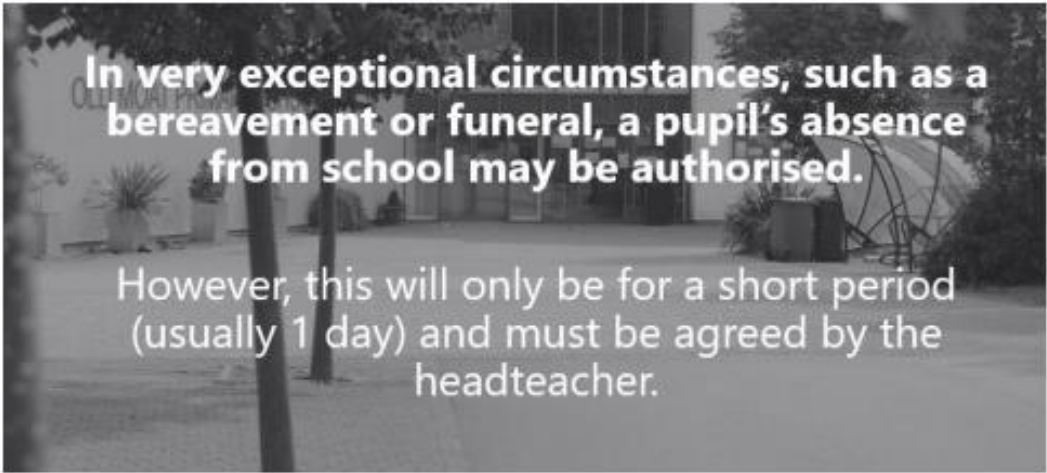
However, if we feel that a child has been absent from school regularly because of illness, we may ask for medical evidence.

This could be:

- An appointment card
- A prescription
- A photograph of prescribed medication
- A text message or email from your GP surgery, confirming an appointment

If your child has a minor illness such as a cough or runny nose, **you can still send them into school.** If they get worse throughout the day, school will contact parents.

School staff will administer medication such as paracetamol, antihistamines or prescribed medication.



In very exceptional circumstances, such as a bereavement or funeral, a pupil's absence from school may be authorised.

However, this will only be for a short period (usually 1 day) and must be agreed by the headteacher.

School cannot authorise absence for holidays during term time.

A holiday during term time will result in a Penalty Notice being issued by the Local Authority.

First occasion - £80 per parent per child
Second occasion - £160 per parent per child
Any further occasions – PACE or Prosecution

Schools do not benefit financially from fines issued by Manchester City Council.



'Initial Concern' letter

If school become concerned with your child's attendance, you will receive a letter informing you that their attendance has fallen and needs to improve within a given timescale.

Within this letter, you will be reminded of the school's attendance procedures and that there is support available should you need it.



Invite to meeting

If your child's attendance does not improve following the letter, you will be invited into school for a meeting to discuss this in more detail.

We will talk about any issues you or your child may be facing, any barriers to them attending school, and support will be offered.

Parents/Carers are asked to agree to Attendance Goals which will be put in place at the meeting, with the aim of improving the child's attendance within a given timescale.



Notice to Improve

If parents/carers do not attend the Attendance Meeting, or where there is a lack of engagement in the support and plans that are in place, the Local Authority may issue a Notice to Improve letter.

This outlines the legal expectations of parents in ensuring their child attends school regularly, and will also outline the next stages of intervention, such as a Fixed Penalty Notice.

It isn't just about school data...

- In most cases, especially at primary school age, children want to attend school regularly and on time, and they need their grown ups to help them achieve this
- All children have the right to education, and to access the amazing opportunities that schools provide
- Not only will regular attendance improve children's attainment, it allows them to access social opportunities, improve their speech and language and to thrive amongst their peers.



Message from 1st Wythenshawe Scout Group

🦋 Join Our Scout Group – Fun, Friendship & Adventure! 🦋 For Boys and Girls Aged 4–18 🦋

Looking for something exciting for your child to do after school? 1st Wythenshawe Scout Group is welcoming new members aged **4 to 18 years old!**

We run fun, action-packed **weekly sessions** where kids can:

- 🦋 Play outdoor games and learn survival skills
- 🦋 Build campfires and cook marshmallows
- 🦋 Get creative with crafts and challenges
- 🦋 Getting outdoors and going on hikes
- 🦋 Try out new skills like first aid, knot-tying, and map reading
- 🦋 And even go on **overnight camps** and adventurous **day trips!**

Scouting is all about **making new friends**, building **confidence**, and having loads of fun — all while learning through adventure. If you'd like to sign your child up please email Hayley at Hayley.watson@mansouthscouts.org.uk. Be quick though as spaces soon fill up.

