



To do  
the best  
we can

# Hey with Zion V.C. Primary

## Have a lovely summer holiday!

### Thank You...

We would like to say a big 'thank you' to our kitchen staff for all their hard work in providing healthy meals for our children throughout the year.



### Dinner Money

When we return in September, the cost of school dinners will increase to £2.30 per day (£11.50 per week). For those parents who pay their child's dinner money half-termly, the cost of school dinners for the first autumn half term is £87.40. Please make cheques payable to Oldham MBC. Thank you.

From September we will no longer be offering the Tuesday - Thursday optional school dinners for those on packed lunches.

**Our Year 6 leavers' party was fantastic, the children all looked amazing and had a great time! Thanks to Mrs Patterson, Mrs Light, the Year 6 parents and Mr Stelfox for making the evening so memorable.**



### Farewells and New Beginnings

As we look forward to the summer holidays and a new school year we would like to thank staff, children, parents and governors for their hard work and dedication to Hey with Zion. Sadly, we are saying goodbye to a few members of staff; Miss Power, Miss Hillson, Miss Phillips, Mrs Clare, Mrs Heywood and Miss Miah as they are all moving on to pastures new. We would like to express our thanks to them for their dedication and hard work.

We also say farewell to our year 6 children. They have had a very successful year and we would like to thank Mrs Patterson, Mrs Light and Mr Atkin for all their hard work this year. Our best wishes go with the children as they move on to a new and very exciting stage in their education. We are very proud of you!

We also warmly welcome Miss Cooper in to Reception/Year 1 and Miss Holt in to Year 1/2. Enjoy your first term with us

Finally, we hope that everyone has a fantastic summer holiday and that we all return in September refreshed and ready to do our best again!

### Dates to remember

**Applying for a Secondary School place 2019** - open 1 August 2019 and close 31 October 2019 @ 5pm. Complete your application online [www.oldham.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.oldham.gov.uk/admissions)

**Applying for a Reception place 2019** - open 1 September 2019 and close 15 January 2019 @ 5pm. Complete your application online [www.oldham.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.oldham.gov.uk/admissions)

- Wed 04 Sept 2019 - school re-opens for the autumn term
- Fri 25 Oct 2019 - school closes for the autumn half term
- Mon 04 Nov 2019 - school re-opens
- Fri 08 Nov 2019 - Year 6 children to Robinwood
- Thurs 19 Dec 2019 - school closes for Christmas
- Mon 06 Jan 2020 - school re-opens

You can also find on our website the calendar dates for 2019/20

## Things to remember

1. If your child is poorly please call the school office before 10am or as early in the morning as possible. Please select Option 1 on the telephone menu and leave details of name, class and reason for absence.
2. Please make sure your child has full PE kit, clearly labelled, on sports activity days. PE kit consists of white T-shirt, black shorts and black pumps. In the colder weather, for outdoor activities children can wear trainers and dark jogging bottoms.

## Holidays during term time

Please remember, the law gives no entitlement to parents to take their child on holiday during term time. Any application for leave can only be in exceptional circumstances and the Head Teacher must be satisfied that the circumstances are exceptional and warrant the granting of leave.

"Head Teachers would not be expected to class any term time holiday as exceptional and parents can be fined by the Local Authority for taking their child on holiday during term time".

## Activities within School

This last half term has been very busy with lots of special class activities for the children, including:

Reception and Nursery ventured in to the woods for a Teddy Bears picnic

Year 6 had an interesting and knowledgeable day on 'The Oldham Cultural Trail'. They also performed two fabulous end of year performances of 'The X Factory'

Year 1, 3 & 5 took part in our annual 'Road Safety' walks and discussions.

House points 'Walliams' was the overall winning house this year. As their reward, they enjoyed a snack and ice pop followed by a film.

Charity Fun Run Thank you for supporting our chosen summer charity. Our final total raised was **£1772.15** and will be split equally between, Dr Kershaw's, Maggie's of Oldham and Cancer Research.

The brass children entertained their partners with an amazing brass performance

## ParentMail, Website, Blog and Mobile App

Just a reminder, to check out our website and blog for regular updates. From September we will be communicating to parents via the ParentMail App and totally paperless! This means all school letters, forms etc will no longer be sent home in a paper form unless it is from external agencies. In addition, we have a school mobile app, which links in with our website and contains lots of easily accessible information.

The app 'ParentMail and School Jotter' can be downloaded to your phone or tablet via Google Play Store or I-Tunes. We are currently working with the developers to add more links to the app for ease of access to even more information.



.....we look forward to seeing you all back in school bright and early on Wednesday 04 September!