



Healey School Newsletter

Thursday 12th February 2026

Wonderful Art Week 2026!

Two weeks ago all the classes at Healey Primary had a fantastic week of art activities focused on the theme of Rochdale.

Art work covered famous Rochdaliens like Gracie Fields, local landmarks like Hollingworth Lake and Healey Dell as well as some of our towns stunning architecture such as the Town Hall and the Co-Op Museum at Toad Lane.

We also had the privilege of being asked to contribute ideas for a new mural which is to be added to the common walls project in the town centre.

Visit from famous Mural Artists and the Common Walls project.

To kick start our Art Week, Miss Solan arranged for two of the street artists responsible for the new murals in the town centre to lead an assembly explaining how they created the magnificent works of art.

Hayley Garner and Jamie Buckley showed the children how they gather ideas for the artwork, the early sketches, equipment they use and the process of digital construction to finally putting paint on the walls.

Hayley also asked for some help from the Healey pupils to gather ideas for the final wall of the project. The final design of which you can see below.

It was a real honour to have such talented artists share the process with the pupils and it was just what we needed to get pupils inspired for Art Week.



THE PALLET



Taken from the townhall

The idea behind the concept

This design brings together ideas generated by the Rochdale Youth Steering Group and pupils from Healey Primary, woven into a single, cohesive artwork rather than a collection of disconnected symbols. At first glance, the mural reads simply as a child reading a book – a quiet, familiar moment. On second and third viewing, deeper layers begin to reveal themselves: Rochdale's wildlife, waterways, architecture, stained glass colour, and stories emerging from the pages. The composition is designed to feel unified and immersive, with each element growing naturally from the next. Conceptually, the piece reflects the idea of looking to the past for guidance while remaining rooted in growth, imagination, and the future – a visual story shaped by young voices and shared heritage.

Examples of Pupils Art from Art Week 2026.





Healey Science Week 2026!

March 16th to the 20th 2026.

Healey School Science week is back after a 2-year absence with lots of exciting visitors, workshops and prizes to be won.

Each class will attend a workshop about animals and their adaptations a company called Fur, Feathers and Scales will be bringing in a selection of insects, reptiles and mammals for children to see, hold and stroke.

Every class will also attend a science experiment workshop from Mr Bubbles learning about all the different scientific properties of bubbles.

There will be competitions throughout the week and a huge raffle to bring Science week to a close. Every child will be in with a chance to win some fabulous prizes!

Last of all, every pupil in school will take a gift home at the end of the week!



Just some of the raffle prizes!



To ensure your child gets access to all these wonderful things **we require a £10 payment for each child**, which is payable through the School Gateway app.

Thank you to the families who have already paid for this exciting week!

Healey School PTFA Valentine's Day Disco.

On Friday the 13th of February we will be holding a Valentine's Disco during the school day.

The price for your child to attend the disco is £3.50 – for this they will get a snack and a drink and a goody bag to take home.

The Key Stage 1 disco will be 1:15pm to 2:15pm.

The Key Stage 2 disco will be 2:15pm to 3:15pm.

Children to come to school in their clothes or dressed in red for the disco.

Please make payment for the disco on the school app.

School Dinner Money – Second half of Spring term 2026

School meals are **£2.85**

A week of meals cost **£14.25**

The first half term of Spring is 5 weeks and 4 days long – therefore the cost for lunches will be **£82.65**

Please use the school gateway app to pay for your child's dinners.

Dates for your diary.

Half Term Break – 14th Feb to 22nd Feb – School closed

Monday 23rd February to Wednesday 25th Feb – Year 6 Robinwood Residential

Tuesday 24th February – Reception Heights and Weights

Friday 6th March – Dress up as a book character for World Book Day.

Monday 16th March to Friday 20th March – Science Week 2026

Monday 30th March – Reception Easter Bonnet Workshop

Wednesday 1st April – Reception Easter Show for Reception Parents

Thursday 2nd April – School Closes for Easter

Year 6 SATs Parent's Meeting

Tuesday 1st April 2026

5pm

An important date for Y6 parent's diaries! Please ensure someone from the family comes along to the meeting to hear about the arrangements and organisation of the Year 6 SATs week.

Thanks.

Year 4 Science – Sound.

Year 4 have been looking at musical instruments and how they are played during Science lessons this half term.



Celebrating Chinese New Year in Reception.

The Reception pupils have been learning all about Chinese New Year and have celebrated by eating sweet and sour noodles and fortune cookies.

