



DISCOVERY ACADEMY NEWS

END OF DAY

The new arrangements for picking up Years 1 -4 seem to be working well. The flow of movement around school is better, less congestion and more social distancing being observed. The main area to improve, based on feedback from parents, is where families have multiple pick-ups.

So, we have revised timings a bit to try to accommodate this. These are:

3:10 – Parents of children in Reception

3:15pm – Parents of children only in Year 1 and 2

3:20– Parents of children in Year 1, 2, 3 and 4

3:25 pm – Parents of children only in Year 3 and 4

On a Tuesday and Thursday Year 4 have PE until 3:15pm and so may sometimes not be ready for 3:20pm. Please be patient on those days.

Please **DO NOT** arrive too early to avoid queues. I know car parking is at a premium, but Discovery Academy is one of the only schools in Tameside where car parking is available.

DO NOT worry about missing a slot! As long as all children in Year 1 – 4 are collected by 3:25pm we will wait with children.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

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The foodbanks run a voucher scheme and by discussing your circumstances with Miss Boyle, Mrs Sullivan, Mr Walsh or Mrs Oldham we may be able to issue you with a voucher for St Barnabas Foodbank.

Foodbank Centre	Day	Session Times	Location/Address
Hattersley Baptist Church	Friday	2-3pm	Melandra Crescent Hattersley SK14 3RB

CHILD OF THE WEEK – Friday 18th September

Each week the teachers celebrate the achievements of all children but give special recognition to some children to receive the Child of the Week award.

Nursery	Sebastian Cookson	For trying hard to write some of the letters in his name. He has shown our school value improving.
	Emma Cooney	For holding the scissors correctly to cut around the puppet. Well done Emma you are improving!
Reception	Tobias Morton	For achieving: Toby added a lovely sentence and picture to our class poem 'Out and about.'
	Brodie Lange	For inspiring: Brodie used her phonics knowledge and applied it to her written work. One of her friends then used the phonics mat as well.
Year 1	Hunter Tregakiss	For Improving: Hunter has been working hard to ensure that his handwriting is neat and readable to himself and others. He is forming letters correctly and in the correct places in his book.
	Amelia Laing	For Inspiring: Amelia is a great whole-body listener in Year 1. She is always looking and listening, focusing on what she has to do and is producing some amazing work. Well done Amelia!
Year 2	Alfie Wright	For Achieving: Alfie has completed a fantastic piece of writing about the Earth and worked independently in Phonics! Well done Alfie!
	Sophie Jones	For Improving: Sophie has grown in confidence this week and has shown big improvements in her phonics, English and particularly Maths. I am SUPER proud of her!
Year 3	Kaiden Beck	For Achieving: Kaiden has written a fantastic persuasive text to attract alien visitors to Earth.
	Mason Devonshire	For Improving: Mason has been working away in Maths to improve his understanding of place value.
Year 4	Charlie Loftus and Casey Pierce	For Improving on your chest passing skills to the point where you were able to do it with great speed and accuracy. You were then able to model your skills to help the class improve their skills.

WELLBEING STARS

Each week we work on developing skills regarding mental health and wellbeing with the children. This certificate celebrates those who have shown a great understanding in this week's focus for their class.

Nursery	Reece Harvey	For improving, Reece now comes into nursery like a big boy without feeling worried. Well done Reece.
Reception	Isabella D'Isidoro	For being very helpful and checking that her friends are ok.
Year 1	Max Devonshire	Max always has a positive attitude and he uses this to help his class friends during play time and whilst completing tasks.
Year 2	Millie-Mae Leah	For being kind to others and supporting and encouraging them in their learning whilst also producing fantastic work too!
Year 3	Mia-Rose Arrowsmith	Mia has been a fantastic, kind and caring talk partner, showing our school values really well.
Year 4	Ishani Wirasinghe	For always having a positive attitude and making all those who you talk to feel warm and welcome.