



DISCOVERY ACADEMY NEWS

Have a wonderful half term holiday and we look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 24th February.

PTFA Colouring competition

Thank you to the PTFA for organizing our Valentine colouring competition. The winners were...

EYFS – Max KS1 – Mia -Leigh LKS2 – Sophie UKS2 – Dylan

Thank you also for organising our Valentine Tuck Shop. We will let you know how much that has raised after the holidays.

Lunchtime award

Each week the midday assistants celebrate the achievements of all children but give special recognition to some children to receive the lunchtime award.

Nursery	Koby	For being very kind and helping his friend when she fell over
Reception	Gene	For being polite to his friends
Year 1	Teddy	For always being polite and using his manners
Year 2	Henry	For always playing nicely in the playground
Year 3	Alana	For being polite and always using her manners
Year 4	Jenson	For always being polite and helping out when asked
Year 5	Maisie	For always being polite and helpful
Year 6	Isobel	For always being polite and kind

Calendar dates

World Book Day	Monday 3 rd March		Read your own way -
			dress up as a book
			character, pjs, costume -
			Whole School
Author Visit in school	Thursday 6 th March		Ian Curran –
			EYFS - Year 5
Jack and the Beanstalk Trip	Thursday 6 th March	3:15pm	Reception





Attendance

Days off school add to lost learning 175 NON SCHOOL DAYS Excellent Good Satisfactory Requires Persistent Severely **Attendance Attendance** Attendance Improvement Absence absent 4 days off 6 days off 0 days off 9 days off 15 days off 95 days off Below 90% 100% 97% and above Between 95% Below 50% Between 90% and 96.99% and 94.99%

This week's attendance is 96%

Class	Average	Class	Average
Nursery	96%	Year 3	96%
Reception	98%	Year 4	100%
Year 1	95%	Year 5	97%
Year 2	94%	Year 6	93%

Reminder

Gates open at 8:45am and close at 8:50am. After 8:50 pupils must enter through the office as late.

Disabled parking

When using the disabled parking spaces, please ensure you are displaying your disabled badge.

Local Governing Board

After the February Holiday, out Local Governing Board will be starting to look at recruitment for new Parent Governors. We will be looking for one Parent Governor to start in the Summer term and one Parent Governor to start in Sept 2025.

More information will be sent after the holidays.





Reading hero

Nursery	Layla	For reading every week at home and sharing lots of books with her friends in class.	
Reception	Finley	For improving focus and concentration.	
Year 1	Luna	For blending in her head and becoming a faster reader	
Year 2	Lucia	For always reading lots at home and having the confidence to read out loud in class when asked. She is like our very own Matilda. Well done Lucia.	
Year 3	Sebby	Sebby always has his reading book and journal in school and makes good use of the reading time within class to explore different texts.	
Year 4	Maxwell	Maxwell's love for reading is fantastic. He has started to bring his own book from a series he is reading at home, so he can read it in silent reading at school. He gets completely absorbed into the world he is reading about which is great to see.	
Year 5	Hunter	For using the six P's of prosody.	
Year 6	Sophie	Sophie has been very engaged in her reading this term and has loved sharing her knowledge in class! Keep it up Sophie!	

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	Koby	Koby really impressed us all on our local walk to the shops. He listened well,		
	1.007	used good manners and was a good role model to his peers.		
Reception	Jaxson	For caring; praising and recognising achievement in others.		
Year 1	Tallulah	For inspiring: This week Tallulah has worked in such a calm and organised way in		
		every lesson. She is becoming more and more independent and inspiring us all.		
Year 2	Caleb	After a tricky start to the week, Caleb used his calming strategies to end his		
		week on a positive. Well done Caleb, you have had a positive end to a good half		
		term. Well done.		
Year 3	Ruby	Ruby has been positive towards her routine and has shown the caring value by		
		gifting love hearts to the class.		
Year 4	Darcey	Darcey is a friend to everyone. She is always ready to help when needed with a		
		big smile on her face. She is a true light in the classroom.		
Year 5	Israel	For being kind and helpful during PE. Israel showed great sportsmanship and		
		true team spirit when other teams needed support in the lesson.		
Year 6	Dantaye	Dantaye came back in after being poorly and jumped straight into his learning!		
		He has listened to others to support his catching up and has worked well to keep		
		up with the rest of the class! Well done!		









CHILD OF THE WEEK

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	Gracie	For discovering new facts about different occupations. Gracie thought of different questions to ask nurse Charlie and Miss Oldham when they visited us this week.	
Reception	Freddy	For Improving and Achieving: Fantastic Phonics and writing he keeps on trying his best every day.	
Year 1	Miya	For Inspiring: This week Miya has been joining in so much more in every lesson. She has answered so many questions and shown us all what a clever little girl she is.	
Year 2	Ralfy	For Achieving & Improving – Ralfy has had a fantastic week, he has been reading at home and in school. His maths work and handwriting has improved too. Well done Ralfy, you are making us so proud.	
Year 3	Dominic	For Improving- Dominic has found a passion for poetry this week and has produced a fantastic poem about a prehistoric spear.	
Year 4	Harvey	For all the values – Harvey always shows all the values when at school. He always tries his hardest and takes on challenges with a smile! Even when finding things, a little tricky, he keeps trying and achieves his goal.	
Year 5	Kaya	For Improving: Kaya has become more confident in her maths this week when we have been doing tricky calculations. She has worked independently and been really determined and resilient.	
Year 6	Noah	For inspiring and discovering – Noah has worked very well in all of our lessons recently! He has added some great ideas to our classroom discussion and is sharing thoughts from the perspectives of others!	





After school club Child of the week.

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EYFS & KS1	Ralfy – Yr2	Ralfy always behaves well and makes good choices during ASC.
KS2	Bridget – Yr5	Bridget is mature and polite and is kind and caring towards others.

Winter Pressures Funding - Active Tameside

With the support of **Winter Pressures Funding**, we are pleased to announce the return of our **Active Takeaway** initiative, offering free meals to Tameside families. This is the fourth year we are proud to host the Active Takeaway and we hope this year's programme continues to provide fantastic support.

Collection Details

Meals will be available for collection from the following centres (3pm – 6pm):

- Monday, 17th February: Medlock Leisure Centre, Droylsden or Tameside Leisure Pool, Hyde
- Wednesday, 19th February: Active Copley, Stalybridge
- Friday, 21st February: Tameside Wellness Centre, Denton

Menu Options

- Meat and potato pie with vegetables
- Cheese and onion pie with baked beans
- Chicken and vegetable pie with potatoes
- Vegetarian/vegan option available

How to Book

To secure your collection, please complete the booking form via this link: https://forms.office.com/e/EXz15tiSt0.

Booking Deadline: Wednesday, 12th February 2025