

# DISCOVERY ACADEMY NEWS

## Attendance

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

This week's attendance is **94%**

Class	Average	Class	Average
Nursery	95%	Year 3	94%
Reception	97%	Year 4	94%
Year 1	95%	Year 5	90%
Year 2	98%	Year 6	94%

### Reminder

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

## Breakfast Club & After School Club – Important Changes

Please note all bookings for breakfast and after school clubs **MUST** be made through the Arbor app as per previous communications.

To do this please top up your account and then select the days and sessions you require.

We have had a number of children attend both breakfast and after school club this week without a booking. Please note from next week if your child is not booked on then they will not be able to stay.

Breakfast club - Please can parents ensure that they are walking their child to the door and signing them in with the breakfast club staff. It is unsafe for your child to get out of the car in the car park and walk themselves into club.

## Reporting absence

Absences must be reported by the parent. This needs to be reported to the school office between 8:30 and 9am.

You can phone the school at any point and leave an answering machine message.

You can email Miss Oldham on [infodiscoveryhyde@victoriousacademies.org](mailto:infodiscoveryhyde@victoriousacademies.org)

You **should not** inform or email class teachers or breakfast club staff regarding absences or appointments.

If you have not reported a child's absence by 9 am we will follow our absence policy and make calls home or complete home visits. If no contact is made, the Academy reserve the right to request a 101 Police welfare check.

Please note the above methods of communication also applies for any messages for the office.

## Calendar dates

Early May Bank Holiday	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May		Whole School Bank Holiday
VE Day	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> May		Celebration on Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>
VE Day celebrations	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> May		Children wear Red, White, Blue and donate £1 to veteran's charity
KS2 SATS week	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	All week	Year 6
Whit Holidays	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June		Whole school
Year 1 phonics test	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June – Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	All week	Year 1
KS2 Sports Day	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30am	School field
Year 4 multiplication checker	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> June – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	All week	Year 4
EYFS/KS1 Sports Day	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30am	School field
School end of year assessment week	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	All week	Whole school – Nursery to Year 5
Transition Day	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July		Whole school
Year 6 Leavers party	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	6-8pm	Year 6 children ONLY
SEND Parent meetings	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	1:30 – 4:30	Whole school
Year 6 Leavers assembly	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	9-10am	Year 6 parents welcome

Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission (CQC) are visiting Tameside as part of the Local Area special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) Inspection. They will look at the Local Authority's arrangements for children and young people with SEND across the local area partnership which is education, health and social care.

This survey is not about the SEND provision at Discovery Academy, but about the local authority SEN team and the services available to support children and families. You may especially want to share your views if you have been or are going through the EHCP process.

The survey will be available for completion until **9am on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025**



**Tameside**  
Integrated Care Partnership



**Are you the parent or carer of a young person under 25 with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)?**

Ofsted are reviewing services in your local area that support children and young people with SEND. We would like to get your views in our survey. To complete the survey, scan the QR code.





# TAMESIDE MUSIC SERVICE



## BANDS, GROUPS, CHOIRS

- Open to all aged 4 to 25
- Just £10 per half-term for access to all groups
- Make friends, learn and develop new skills

**MON**  
4:30PM JUNIOR STRINGS  
6PM SENIOR STRINGS

**TUES**  
4PM JUNIOR WIND BAND  
6PM BRASS GROUP  
8PM WOODWIND GROUP

**WED**  
4PM BAND SKILLS  
6PM BAND SKILLS  
8PM BAND SKILLS  
7PM BAND SKILLS

**THURS**  
4:30PM INFANT CHOIR  
4:30PM THEORY LESSONS  
4:30PM UKULELE GROUP  
6:15PM JUNIOR CHOIR  
8:30PM JAZZ BAND  
8PM SENIOR CHOIR

 Birch Lane Centre,  
Dukinfield, SK16 5AU

For more info or to sign up scan here or visit  
**WWW.TAMESIDEMUSICSERVICE.COM**



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# PLAYERS WANTED 5 & 6 YEAR OLD BOYS & GIRLS

**FREE  
TASTER  
SESSIONS**



**TRAINING MONDAY NIGHT**  
ASTLEY SPORTS VILLAGE  
5.30-6.30PM

**JOIN NOW**

For More Information Please Contact **PAUL STRUTT - 07540413138**



# PLAYERS WANTED U7 & U8 GIRLS

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### **After School Club phone**

We now have an after school club emergency phone number. Please note this phone line is only to be used for any parents who have children currently attending the club and need to contact after school club staff when the main school office is closed. The phone will therefore only be answered during the hours of 16:00 – 18:00. Please be mindful that the line is only for alerting staff if there are any urgent issues such as if parents will be late due to an exceptional circumstance, parents are waiting outside and the doors are locked but the bell has not been heard.

The phone number is **07780 208 909**

### **Come and Read Sessions**

Year 2 -Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May - 2:30pm-3:00pm

Year 3 -Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May - 2:30pm-3:00pm

Year 4 -Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June - 2:30pm-3:00pm

Year 5 - Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June - 2:30pm-3:00pm

Year 6 - Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July - 2:30pm-3:00pm

### **DISABLED CAR PARKING**

Please note the disabled bays are only to be used by people who have a blue disability badge.

Please park your car on the driveway or in the visitors car park if you do not own a blue disability badge.



## EYFS WEEK IN PICTURES



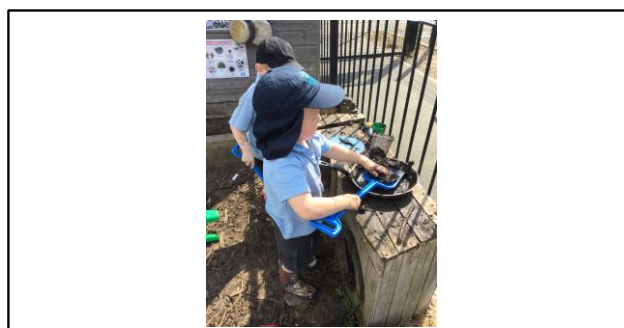
The children in Nursery have been learning about the artist Giuseppe Arcimboldi. He inspired them to create their own portraits using fruit and vegetables.



Nursery read 'Oliver's Vegetables' and enjoyed making our own fruit kebabs. They talked about the different textures of fruits and shared their likes and dislikes.



Reception have been independently reading the story of Trouble at the Dinosaur cafe, retelling the story with expression using their own and Brian Moses' words.



Reception have enjoyed making Mud Pizzas with extra special flavour. They rolled out their mud dough and used a pizza shovel to put them into the oven. It was delicious!

## KS1 WEEK IN PICTURES



Year 1 were scientists this week observing and identifying the plants that grow around our school grounds. The pansies and daisies were their favourite!



They had a Royal Coronation in Year 1 this week when Queen Elizabeth II was crowned. We heard a FanFair and waved flags to celebrate this special event from our History.



Year 2 are starting to learn to play the recorder. They practised how to hold the instrument and play a few notes.



The weather has been amazing this week so Year 2 took their maths learning outside. They have been recognising halves and quarters

## LKS2 WEEK IN PICTURES



On Friday, Year 3 had a fantastic Ancient Egyptian workshop. They explored artefacts and learnt facts for their History unit.



In English, we interviewed Mr Roberts for our character descriptions.



On the Year 4 trip, the children were Roman soldiers for the day. Thankfully, they left their swords and shields in Chester!



Another part of the trip was to look at lots of interesting Roman artefacts that were thousands of years old.

## UKS2 WEEK IN PICTURES



Year 5 went on a 'worldie' of a trip to the National Football Museum in Manchester. We had a fantastic if not slightly warm day learning all about a pioneering female footballer called Lily Parr.



In RE, we have continued our lessons around Islam and worked together to answer the question 'How might the 5 pillars affect the lives of Muslims in Britain today?'



This week, Year 6 have been looking at the silent film Paperman. We have done lots of work around the text and even built our own paper planes.



We had a competition using our paper planes to see how far their planes could fly.



## 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	Matthias	Matthias has had a fantastic week in Nursey. He has joined in all our activities and loved exploring all of the learning areas. Well done Matthias for being a superstar!
Reception	Sophie	Sophie supported her friends to resolve problems in a calm way.
Year 1	Paige	For Inspiring: This week Paige has practiced hard to count in twos all the way to ten even though she found it hard. Keep going Paige we are very proud of you.
Year 2	Mankirat	Kiki is more focused in lessons and is offering to help her friends. Kiki is playing well with her friends in the playground. Well done Kiki.
Year 3	Harley	Harley's confidence in sharing ideas has truly inspired others to create sentences using the sentence stems. He then praised them on their ideas, which was lovely to see. Well done, Harley!
Year 4	Honey	Honey has shown her resilience in class this week. There has been movement in seats in the classroom, people off with illness but Honey has kept going and has been working hard despite all of this.
Year 5	India	For being resilient and determined on our school trip whilst also showing great self-control and patience managing her injury.
Year 6	Carrie-Ann	This week, and most weeks, Carrie-Ann has been a positive light in the year 6 classroom! She is always polite and kind to others and will be supportive of her peers in lessons.

## 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	Helena	Foe eating all her dinner in a timely manner
Reception	Myla	For being kind and eating all her food
Year 1	Kalem	For being caring and helping his friends
Year 2	Lily	For always playing nicely with others
Year 3	Luca	For always being polite
Year 4	Brodie	For resilience, Brodie had an accident this week and was very brave
Year 5	Lillie-Mae	For being a supportive and kind friend during play times
Year 6	Libby	For helping other children resolve disagreements

## After school club 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.

EYFS & KS1	Lucas – Year 1	Lucas always makes the right choices and is kind to others.
KS2	Harley – Year 3	Harley has been making good choices and is calm and kind to others.



### 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	Hadlee	For achieving. Hadlee used the fruit and vegetables to create a face inspired by the artist Giuseppe Arcimboldi. She talked about the emotions in her art and what the food represented.
Reception	Riley	For Inspiring and Achieving: Amazing talking and enthusiasm for creating transient art Dinosaurs!
Year 1	Diego	For caring: Diego is a fantastic class librarian who keeps our book shelves smart and this week he worked extra hard tidying our library after the Parent workshop. Thankyou Diego!
Year 2	Caleb	For Achieving & Improving – Caleb is working really hard in class, especially with his handwriting and presentation. He is using lots of great vocabulary in his writing too. Well done Caleb.
Year 3	Jacob	For Improving, Achieving and Discovering- Jacob has been going from strength to strength recently and has blown us away with his knowledge, handwriting and his ability to give something unknown ago. We are very proud Jacob!
Year 4	Year 4	For showing all our values - On the trip last Friday, Year 4 showed how amazing Discovery Academy are and showed all our values throughout the day. We are so proud of their behaviours, actions and attitudes and hope they had the most fantastic day.
Year 5	Year 5	For achieving, inspiring, caring & discovering- Year 5 had an amazing trip on Wednesday! They were complimented on their behaviour and inquisitiveness, supported each other through the penalty shoot outs and behaved impeccably despite the heat.
Year 6	Hallie	For Improving and Inspiring – Hallie has blown us away this week with her brilliant use of mathematical vocabulary! She is able to reason very well verbally and is supporting her classmates by building on their ideas.

### PTFA baby group



**GIGGLES & GROW**

AGES 0 TO 4 WELCOME

£2 PER CHILD

DRAWING - PAINTING - SINGING  
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FRIDAYS 9.30 TILL 11AM

@ DISCOVERY ACADEMY  
PORLOCK AVENUE SK14 3LE

### HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF LOCAL PHARMACY SERVICES IN TAMESIDE

WHAT SERVICES DO YOU USE?  
WHAT SERVICES DO YOU NEED?  
HOW CAN WE MAKE PHARMACIES BETTER IN THE FUTURE?

## HAVE YOUR SAY!

Our survey is short, but it really matters.

The feedback you give us will be included in a report that will help us decide how best to improve future pharmacy services in Tameside.

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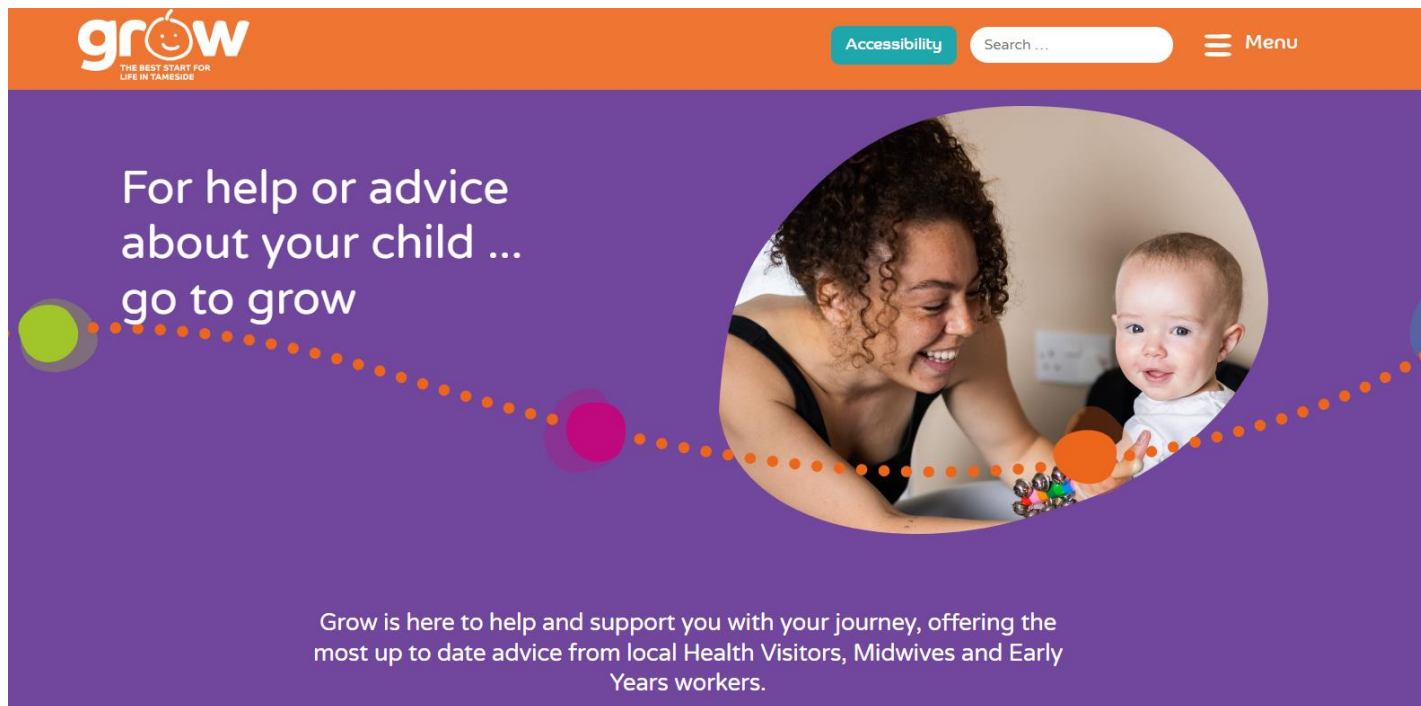
COMPLETE  
THE SURVEY  
BY FRIDAY  
21ST MARCH  
2025

Click the link or scan the QR  
code to complete the survey  
<https://www.gmcconsult.org/communications-and-engagement/survey/pharmacy-services/>

Printed copies are available on request. Results available by 31st October 2025.

## TAMESIDE LOCAL OFFER OF SERVICES FOR CHILDREN

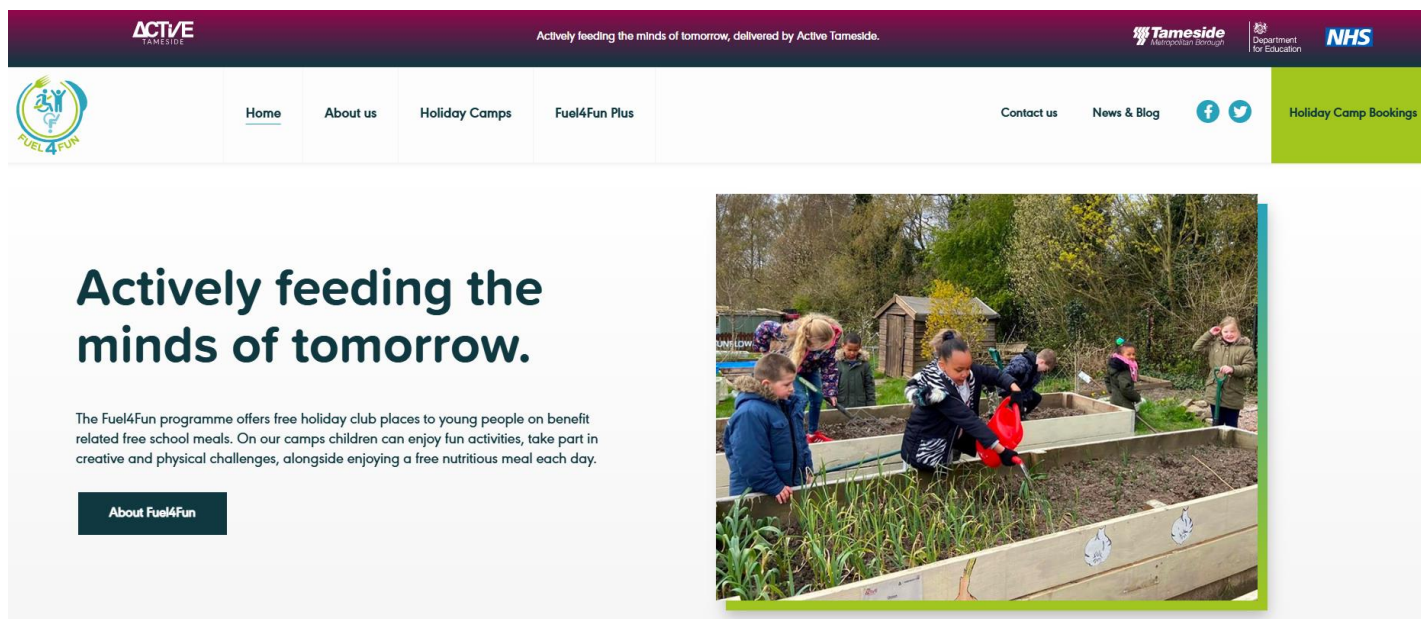
Here are some useful websites and areas on the Tameside Offer for children and young people.



For help or advice about your child ... go to grow

Grow is here to help and support you with your journey, offering the most up to date advice from local Health Visitors, Midwives and Early Years workers.

[www.gotogrowtameside.co.uk](http://www.gotogrowtameside.co.uk)



Actively feeding the minds of tomorrow.

The Fuel4Fun programme offers free holiday club places to young people on benefit related free school meals. On our camps children can enjoy fun activities, take part in creative and physical challenges, alongside enjoying a free nutritious meal each day.

About Fuel4Fun

[www.fuel4fun.co.uk](http://www.fuel4fun.co.uk)

Other information is available at

[www.tameside.gov.uk/Early-Help/parent-carer](http://www.tameside.gov.uk/Early-Help/parent-carer)



**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

**Celebrating 80 years of freedom**

**Our VE Day afternoon tea menu**

**Crustless sandwiches**

**Cheese roll and sausage roll**

**Crisps**

**Veg sticks and dip**

**Victoria Sponge**

**Shortbread and**

**Ice-cream**

*This will be the only option on this day. Children will get all choices. Please select the sandwich option on Arbor if you would like to order.*

