

DISCOVERY ACADEMY NEWS

Attendance and absence

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%

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

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.

This week's attendance is **93%**

Class	Average	Class	Average
Nursery	92%	Year 3	85%
Reception	100%	Year 4	92%
Year 1	90%	Year 5	98%
Year 2	94%	Year 6	94%

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



We raised £121.40
for Children In Need.



Snow White at Hyde Festival Theatre



One of our pupils will be starring in the Snow White panto at Hyde theatre on 2-6th December.

It would be lovely for our Discovery Family to show their support.



We now have pupil Wellbeing Ambassadors who support children on the playground.

Hakan, Harvey, Katie, Emily and Brodie have all been trained to support children with worries and concerns.

ZERO TOLERANCE

Swearing, threats, harassment or acts of violence will not be tolerated.

Any forms of this behaviour could result in adults being banned from the premises.

Breakfast and After School Club Reminders

All clubs MUST be paid in advance. Debt cannot be accrued as we do not offer a credit agreement.

Cut off for a weekly breakfast club booking	4am each Monday	Any bookings not made before the cut off times above will now incur the £2 charge per child, per session.
Cut off for After School club bookings	10:45 am each day	Any bookings not made before the cut off times above will now incur the £2 charge per child, per session.
Late booking fee	£2 per child, per session for both breakfast and after school club.	This charge will apply for each session where the admin team / school office are required to make your booking for you.
Late pick up charge	£10	

All late booking and pick up fees be added to your child's Arbor account via invoice. Invoices will require payment within 7 days. Where there is a credit balance on your account the invoice will automatically deduct the amount owed and pay the invoice automatically.



EYFS WEEK IN PICTURES



Nursery have been looking at different patterns. We created our own ABAB patterns and talked about what we noticed.



Nursery had a special visit from Elmer the elephant. We all asked Elmer lots of questions. She told us about all the special things elephants do.



This week, Reception have enjoyed an Autumn Hunt outdoors though by the end of the week we decided it felt more like a Winter Hunt!



In Maths Mastery, Reception have been exploring the shape and composition of numbers to 5.

KS1 WEEK IN PICTURES



Year 1 have been working hard to add numbers and record them as calculations this week.



Year 1 boarded a train with Mrs Wood. They travelled to the countryside and wrote some super descriptions of the things they saw through the window.



In Gymnastics, the children explored different balances and rolls using the equipment safely and confidently.



This week in Year 2, the children learned about the five layers of the ocean and used their knowledge to create their own labelled posters.



LKS2 WEEK IN PICTURES



Year 3 explored different magnets to answer the enquiry question, 'Do all magnets work in the same way?'



Year 3 have designed their bread and thought about what type of bread they would like to make.



In English, Year 4 have been planning and writing our setting descriptions. We are describing the setting of a desert based on drawings we made.



In Science, we made string telephones to help understand how sound travels. We learnt that they will only work if the string is taut.

UKS2 WEEK IN PICTURES



Year 5 have worked hard in Science this week, we conducted our own research on the planets using secondary sources of information.



In PE, Year 5 have been balancing in gymnastics. We worked hard on keeping our posture engaged.



Year 6 have been learning all about long multiplication this week and have been exploring the differences between grouping and sharing when dividing.



In Gymnastics, Year 6 have completed a selection of circuit activities to explore what muscles we use for each activity!



Please can we ask all parents to make choices on Arbor with the children ensuring it is something they like.

Next week is week 1.

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	For always eating nice and playing kindly with others
Reception	Nahla	For looking after her friends at lunchtime
Year 1	Etiosa	For always using his manners and being polite
Year 2	Jorgie	For lining up when asked and helping her friends to make good choices
Year 3	Eliza J	For eating all of her dinner and being a kind friend
Year 4	Joshua	For being a good captain, encouraging his team during football at lunchtime
Year 5	Tommy	For following instructions and being polite
Year 6	Maisie McW	For having lovely manners and always being kind

Mealtime Megastar as chosen by the kitchen staff

Thomas – Reception	For verbally asking for his dinner himself, with exceptional manners 😊 Keep it up!
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Sports star

Each week our Sports first coaches will pick a star from their PE lessons.



KS1	Demi – Year 1	For brilliant engagement, supportive of others and great use of fundamental skills
LKS2	Freddie – Year 3	For being supportive of others and teacher, working well in groups and following instructions
UKS2	Isabella – Year 5	For demonstrating great use of skills and supportive of others working in small groups

SEN support for parents – Reminders

OKE	Home Page - Our Kids Eyes	a parent led charity that offers help and support to parents as well as activities for children with SEN needs to access.
Speech and language support	https://tamesidechildrenandyoungpeople.nhs.uk/advice-information-and-resources/salt-advice-library	here you can find support and advice to help with speech and language difficulties.
Occupational therapy support – sensory needs and motor coordination	https://tamesidechildrenandyoungpeople.nhs.uk/advice-information-and-resources/ot-advice-library	Here you can find lots of support to help with sensory needs
Autism central	https://www.autismcentral.org.uk/what-we-offer-families	here you can access group and 1:1 parent support and additional training
Tameside local offer	Home - Tameside SEND Local Offer	here you can find information about SEND in Tameside and information about support available.

SEN reviews

SEN reviews will take place after half term. We will complete the pupil and teacher voice sections and then send the paperwork home for you to add the parent comments to. If you want to discuss the paperwork further, appointments will be available book on Arbor. These appointments will take place in the afternoon on **Monday 1st December**. Bookings will be open from Friday 14th November and will close at midday on Friday 28th November.

Contacting Mrs Mayers

Email is the easiest way to contact Mrs Mayers - jmayers@discovery.victoriousmat.org

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	Matilda – Nursery	Matilda is a kind friend who always makes good choices.
KS2	Maisie – Year 6	Maisie is always incredibly kind to others... this week she has made bracelets and helped with the ASC display.

After School Club phone

For emergency use only: **07780 208 909**

CHILD OF THE WEEK

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Nursery	Maya	For improving in handwriting. Maya has been working hard to form the letters in her name. She has been labelling her work independently and is very proud.
Reception	Reign	For improving her reading! She is trying hard in phonics and in her reading at home.
Year 1	Luca	For achieving: This week Luca has used his super addition skills in Maths to solve many problems, each with a different visual representation.
Year 2	Esme	For showing an excellent attitude to learning in all subjects and taking on class responsibilities with pride. Your enthusiasm has made a real difference to our classroom this week! Well done, Esme.
Year 3	Zan'e	For Discovering- Zan'e has settled in well to his new class and has dived straight into all of our learning. He asks many questions and shares his thoughts well with his talk partner.
Year 4	Ethan	For Inspiring and Achieving: This week, Ethan has shown excellent resilience in his learning. Ethan has engaged in his Geography project on the Amazon and made a string telephone in Science which he then tested to check if it worked.
Year 5	Honey	For improving and achieving –Honey always works well in class but this week she has shown us how hard she works. She worked really hard on all her assessments this week. Well done Honey.
Year 6	Esmae	For achieving and improving – Esmae has worked very hard this week on her quizzes. She is working through the questions carefully and is taking time to make sure her work is well presented! Great work Esmae!

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	Layla	For being so kind and caring. Layla always tidies up after herself and often helps her friends to make sure they have left each area tidy too. Well done Layla you are a superstar!
Reception	Antonina	For inspiring and caring for Nursery children. Nina dressed up as Elmer to bring the story alive for her friends in Nursery!
Year 1	Josie	For caring: Josie has really looked after her teachers in Year 1 this week by spreading positivity, giving lots of hugs and making them smile.
Year 2	Oscar	For always being a caring friend on the playground. You go out of your way to help others and make sure everyone is included. Well done!
Year 3	Jonah	Jonah ensures that his work space is tidy and is a crucial member of the team when we tidy up. He was also incredibly helpful with ensuring the tables were clean after a very busy afternoon this week.
Year 4	Luca	For Caring: This week, Luca has supported other children with their learning. He has been willing to help out in any subject because when he has completed his task, he'll go on to help someone else.
Year 5	Sienna	Sienna has been a kind and caring friend this week, she always tries to help out in class and comes in with a smile on her face which brightens up the classroom. Well done Sienna.
Year 6	Hunter	Hunter has taken on feedback like a champ this week. He has listened to his teacher's advice and applied it straight away, realising that mistakes are all a part of learning! Good Job Hunter!

Sports first sports camp

We have 2 camps running at 2 of our partner schools, Greswell Primary (Denton) & Flowery Field Primary (Hyde). We will be getting in the Christmas spirit with lots of sports, fun dances & crafts, all within a safe and social environment.

FSM children (Camp held at GRESWELL) - <https://eequ.org/book/sport-first-haf-holiday-camp-greswell-with-sport-first-coaching-ltd-14806>

FSM Children - (Camp held at FLOWERY FIELD) - <https://eequ.org/book/sport-first-haf-camp-flowery-field-with-sport-first-coaching-ltd-20496>

All children - <https://sportfirstcoaching-sessions.classforkids.io>

November calendar dates

Donate a bottle for non uniform day	Friday 28 th November	All day	Donate a bottle for the Christmas fair

December calendar dates

SEND review meetings	Monday 1 st December	2 – 5pm	SEND pupils by invite on Arbor
Donate a box/bar of chocolate for non uniform day	Friday 5 th December	All day	Donate a bottle for the Christmas fair
PTFA Christmas Fair	Friday 5 th December	2:30 – 4:30pm	Whole school
EYFS Christmas Performance	Tuesday 9 th December	9:15 am	EYFS Parents
SEND drop in session with Mrs Mayer	Tuesday 9 th December	2:45	Drop in
Christmas Crafts Morning	Thursday 11 th December	9 am	Whole school Parents invited
KS2 Church performance	Monday 15 th December	9.30am – Year 5 and 6 10.45am – Year 3 and 4	Year 3,4,5 and 6 parents
KS1 Christmas Performance	Tuesday 16 th December	2pm	Year 1 and 2 parents
Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day	Thursday 18 th December	Lunch time	Whole school
Last Day – Party day	Friday 19 th December	All day	Whole school