

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 **95%**

Class	Average	Class	Average
Nursery	90%	Year 3	93%
Reception	97%	Year 4	97%
Year 1	98%	Year 5	96%
Year 2	94%	Year 6	98%

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

Driving on site

Under Section 547 of the Education Act 1996, it is a criminal offence to enter onto school premises and cause a nuisance or disturbance thereon to the annoyance of persons who lawfully use these premises.

NO CARS should be coming through the barrier without permission from the school. We are receiving a number of complaints of people speeding on site whilst trying to tailgate staff or those with disability badges. This is not acceptable behaviour. It is a breach of section 547 and as such could result in being banned from the school premises.

Please maintain a slow speed of **5 mph** at all time.

DO NOT tailgate

Park correctly within the lines in the visitor's car park

If you have concerns about driving on site, please make a note of the registration plate, inform school and also contact the police on 101 or online using <https://www.gmp.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/>



Discovery Academy Nursery

We offer 15-hour funded and 30-hour funded and paid places for children aged 3 +

If you would like to apply for a place for September 2026 or know anyone that might be interested, please get in touch with the school office.

Our waiting list is also available for start dates beyond September. Please ask for more info.



Sports First Half Term Holiday Camp

Greswell & Flowery Field Primary School - Football, Multi-Sports, Dance & Crafts, sibling discount and extended hours available, with 40 FREE places for children entitled to Free School Meals.

Soccer Special Camp (17th & 19th February):

Held at Denton Youth, for the children who live and breathe football, perfect mixture of high intense football sessions, along with football fun, working with the same coaches and in your very own groups - This holiday's theme is we will be looking at Champions League Past & Present!

We will be offering early bird discount, which expires for everyone on 31/01/2026, so don't miss out! Keep your child active, safe & social this half term.

FOR ALL CAMPS - <https://sportfirstcoaching-sessions.classforkids.io> (EARLY BIRD SICOUNT CODE - (UEW439)

FREE SCHOOL MEAL ELIGIBLE LINKS -

<https://eequ.org/book/sports-first-holiday-camp-greswell-with-sport-first-coaching-ltd-14806>

<https://eequ.org/book/sports-first-holiday-camp-flowery-field-with-sport-first-coaching-ltd-20496>



EYFS WEEK IN PICTURES



The children in Nursery have enjoyed our new outdoor police station. They have been working very hard writing and recording.



Nursery have been talking about feelings in PSED. We read the story hands are not for hitting. We used the puppets and discussed different scenarios. We talked about being a good friend and taking turns.



Reception have been developing their gross motor skills this week. They enjoyed rolling the big tyres across the playground and strengthening their core muscles.



Reception have read the Three Little Pigs we retold it with actions, small world toys and character masks.



Year 1 have been building teen numbers in class this week and talking about what each digit represents. They then made drawings of them to show a number in lots of different ways.



Year 1 have had the opportunity to explore Muslim artefacts in their RE lesson this week. They named them and learnt the importance of each one in a very respectful way.



In Maths, Year 2 have been exploring 3D shapes. We investigated edges, vertices and faces using real objects and enjoyed sorting shapes by their features.



In RE, Year 2 worked together to create a list of qualities that make a good leader. We shared ideas such as kindness, honesty and courage, and linked these to the leaders we have been learning about in class.



LKS2 WEEK IN PICTURES



Year 3 have been inspired by magazines from our library and have been designing a template for their own magazine covers.



Year 3 have been learning the rules of Flag American football and have been showing the coach our values!



In History, we looked at 5 different sources of information on Ancient Greece discussing if they were a primary or secondary source and the reliability of them.



In Science, we looked at how states of matter change from solids to liquids and then to gases. We also learnt these can be reversed as well using ice as an example.

UKS2 WEEK IN PICTURES



Year 5 have been learning how to read music. We have been playing the music for the song Toboggan man. We are sounding harmonious as a group now.



Year 5 have been enjoying American flag football with our sports coaches. We were throwing and catching the ball as we were moving. It is great fun



In English this week, Year 6 have been writing our continuation of the story 'The Journey', writing from different perspectives and adding tension to a story by varying the pace.



This week, Year 6 had our 'Show Racism the Red Card' workshop, where we explored the impact racism can have on a community and how we can handle the situation if we see it.

Parent drop in

Miss Fitzgerald is launching weekly parent drop in sessions from 15th January. The relaxed, informal sessions will take place every Thursday from 2.30-3.30pm.

Parents are welcome to pop in – no appointment needed -for a friendly chat about anything that matters to you, including parenting, supporting your child’s emotional wellbeing, your own wellbeing finances or any other support you may need.

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 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 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 will 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.



**Victorious
Catering**
Fuelling young minds

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

Next week is week 3.

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	Matilda	For always using her manners and being kind to everyone
Reception	Gracie	For playing well with her friends, sharing and being kind
Year 1	Harlym	For always being kind and using his manners
Year 2	Penelope	For supporting her friends and lining up when asked
Year 3	Sophia-Grace	For always having amazing manners and being polite
Year 4	Florence R	For being an excellent captain in basketball during lunch
Year 5	Brodie	For showing our caring value and being a great friend
Year 6	Zeko	For going into football with a level head and dealing with challenges as they arise

Mealtime Megastar as chosen by the kitchen staff

Casper	For always being polite and kind and having a big smile on your face when at the counter
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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	Mila F - Nursery	Mila has been really brave and tried new food in ASC.
KS2	Noah Bu- Year 4	Noah has been a great help in ASC. He has also helped all the younger children too.

After School Club phone

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

Sports star



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



EYFS	Albie – Reception	For great listening skills and supporting others in lesson
KS1	Esme – Year 1	For brilliant leadership and encouragement in team scenarios
LKS2	Florence R – Year 4	For brilliant listening skills and resilience in team scenarios
UKS2	Felicity – Year 6	For great use of advanced skills to support 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	Osman	For improving. Osman has worked hard in Literacy this week. He has used his big voice, pictures and actions to re-tell the story 'The Naughty Bus'.
Reception	Rauri	For improving and achieving. Even though Rauri found it tricky at first, he did a super retelling of The Three Little Pigs story, using great story language.
Year 1	Harlym	For achieving: Harlym has had a fab week in school this week and has joined in so well in every lesson! He has even taken extra reading home too!
Year 2	Emberleigh	For always being a positive role model and inspiring the children around you by supporting others and making positive choices. Your kindness and responsibility make our classroom a better place. Well done, Emberleigh!
Year 3	Jonah	For Discovering- Jonah was fascinated by our scientific test to discover the hardness of different rocks and then asked to put them in order independently. A true Geologist in the making!
Year 4	Ruby	For Discovering, Caring, Improving, Achieving and Inspiring (All 5 Values): For having such a fantastic attitude to learning and making all the staff feel really proud of you. We also loved your thoughtful act of kindness that brought teachers and children together.
Year 5	Ryan	For improving and discovering – Ryan has been a star writer this week. His mature vocabulary and structure to his writing meant he produced a fantastic piece on Beowulf. A fantastic author in the making. Well done Ryan.
Year 6	Raiyan	For achieving and inspiring – This week, Raiyan has applied herself to her writing with focus and resilience. She is offering her ideas to the class and supporting others in up-levelling their work.

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	Ronnie	Ronnie has really settled well in the nursery. Ronnie has a good attitude to learning and did some super counting in maths and used his fingers to show the correct amount. Well done Ronnie, you have shown our school value improving.
Reception	Finley O'	For his endless positivity and enthusiasm in all he does! Finley has loved our Three Little Pigs story this week and retold it with super story language and a big smile on his face!
Year 1	Demi	For inspiring: Demi inspired us all this week when she carried on working so hard, even after a bad fall on the playground. What a trooper!
Year 2	Casey	For showing incredible kindness and empathy this week. You have supported your friend so thoughtfully as they returned to school after being in hospital, helping them feel safe and cared for.
Year 3	Lydia	Lydia has been performing in her show this week! This has meant some late nights but she has continued to come to school every day with a smile and has done her very best work in every lesson.
Year 4	Riley-Martin	For Caring: Riley has demonstrated excellent adaptability and maturity. Despite having to move seats, to aid other children's learning, he remained calm, cooperative, and focused on your learning.
Year 5	Darcey	Darcey is always a wonderful talk partner to have. She shares her ideas but also listens to others well. She helps people when they need it but not to the detriment of her own work. Well done Darcey.
Year 6	Esmee	This week, Esmee has adapted to changes to her school routine well. She is exploring different things to do at lunchtime to support her healing and is speaking with adults about what she can do to support herself.



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BABY AND TODDLER GROUP
 DISCOVERY ACADEMY
 PORLOCK AVENUE,
 HATTERSLEY,
 SK14 3EL
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January and February calendar dates

PTFA colouring competition opens	Monday 26 th Jan	3:00pm	Whole school
Come and Read - Year 2	Wednesday 28 th Jan	2:45 – 3:15pm	Year 2 Parents
Come and Read – Year 3 and 4	Wednesday 4 th Feb	2:45 – 3:15pm	Year 3 and 4 parents
PTFA colouring competition deadline	Friday 6 th February	9:00 am	Whole school
Come and Read – Year 5 and 6	Wednesday 11 th Feb	2:45 – 3:15pm	Year 5 and 6 parents
PTFA Valentine Tuck Shop	Friday 13 th Feb	3:15 – 4:00pm	Whole school