



DISCOVERY ACADEMY NEWS

Victorious Voyage is a Trust-wide values inspired challenge week designed to get children active, creative, and engaged both in school and during the Whitsun break.

During the week beginning 18th May, all classes will take part in an enhancement week, kicking off with a school experience to INSPIRE the week.

- Nursery and Reception will be visited by Animal Magic Parties
- Year 1 and 2 will visit Cockfield's Farm
- Year 3 and 4 will visit Sea Life centre Blackpool
- Year 5 and 6 will visit Blackpool Zoo

All learning that will take place that week will revolve around the value CARING taking particular care of the world we live in. Each day will also focus on one of our values:

Monday – Inspiring

Tuesday – Discovering

Wednesday – Caring

Thursday – Improving

Friday - Achieving

During the Whitsun holidays, all children will come home with a Victorious Voyage Passport – some of which will have been completed in school.

What children need to do

- Take part in **as many recommended activities as they can during the holidays**
- Each activity completed = **take a photo or bring it to school**
- At the end, **send all photos together** to your class teacher

All passports should then be returned to school.



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 94%

Class	Average	Class	Average
Nursery	85%	Year 3	98%
Reception	95%	Year 4	95%
Year 1	91%	Year 5	99%
Year 2	94%	Year 6	96%

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

Please click [here](#) to see if you should keep your child off school.

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.



May Calendar dates

Monday 11 th May	SATS WEEK	Year 6	Tests start at 9:00am prompt
Monday 18 th May	Victorious Voyages Week	Whole school	Trip on Monday – please see email and complete form
Thursday 21 st May	Victorious Tea Party	Whole school	Special tea party menu

June Calendar dates

Monday 8 th June	Year 1 Phonic assessment week	Year 1	Whole class will be assessed for the DfE
Monday 8 th June	Year 4 Multiplications assessment week	Year 4	Whole class will be assessed for the DfE
Week beginning 15 th June	Daily Mile challenge in partnership with Not Really Here Media	Whole School	Every day the children will run a mile in support of the Tour of Tameside
Tuesday 16 th June 9:30am	EYFS and KS1 Sports morning	Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2	Parents invited. All children need PE kit in school
Wednesday 17 th June 9:30am	KS2 Sports morning	Year 3, 4, 5 and 6	Parents invited. All children need PE kit in school
Week beginning 22 nd June	Assessment week	Whole school except Yr 6	Tasks and test to inform end of year reports

July Calendar dates

Week beginning 6 th July	Nation School Sports week	Whole school	PE/Sport activity each day PE kits required every day
Friday 17 th July	Reports sent to parents	Whole school	Report sent via Arbor
Friday 17 th July 6 – 8pm	Year 6 leavers party	Year 6	Year 6 children – dress to party!
Tuesday 21 st and Wednesday 22 nd	SEND end of year meetings	Pupils with SEND	Parents will receive notification to make an appointment
Friday 24 th July	Year 6 leavers assembly	Year 6	3 people per Year 6 student able to attend

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.



Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

	Until...
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfoc>.

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

community sessions

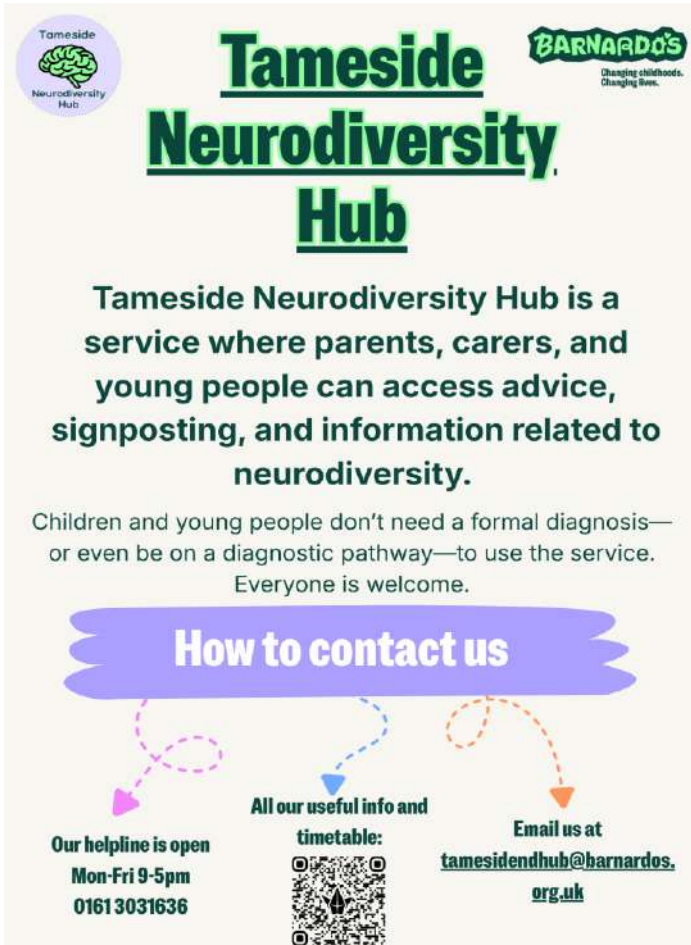
COPLEY
Mondays 5:00-6:00pm

KEN WARD
Thursdays 5:00-6:00pm

Our mainstream community sessions take place every day during the week. Children and young people from 6-16 years old can take part in a wide variety of different activities including bowling, swimming, football, multi-sports & wellbeing and much more, from only £2 per session!

www.activetameside.com

SEND support workshops from Tameside



Tameside Neurodiversity Hub


BARNARDOS
Changing childhoods. Changing lives.

Tameside Neurodiversity Hub is a service where parents, carers, and young people can access advice, signposting, and information related to neurodiversity.

Children and young people don't need a formal diagnosis—or even be on a diagnostic pathway—to use the service. Everyone is welcome.

How to contact us

Our helpline is open
Mon-Fri 9-5pm
0161 3031636

All our useful info and timetable:


Email us at
tamesidendhub@barnardos.org.uk



Let's Talk! Speech & Language Drop-In

FREE SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES, A RELAXED SPACE TO ASK QUESTIONS
EACH FAMILY CAN TAKE PART IN ONE DROP-IN SESSION WITH US

ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT ...

- How your child plays ?
- Their talking or understanding ?
- Their milestones ?

AT THE DROP-IN, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO...

- Speak with a Speech & Language Therapist
- Get guidance from the Health visitor
- Enjoy the soft play together

JOIN US...

Denton Wellness Centre
Thursdays (term time)
9am- 11am

Parent drop in

Miss Fitzgerald's parent drop in sessions

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.



Discovery Academy

BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

DISCOVERY ACADEMY
PORLOCK AVENUE,
HATTERSLEY,
SK14 3EL

FRIDAYS (TERM TIME ONLY) 9-10-11

£2 PER SESSION



EYFS Week in Pictures



Nursery have been following the process from field to food and have successfully turned their wheat flour into bread rolls this week. We even went a step further and made some delicious banana bread! It was yummy!



In Maths this week we have been looking at counting on and then stopping once we have got to the number we need. It is lovely to watch them choose our Maths games during play learning time as it really embeds the learning we have done.



Reception have loved reading Handa's Surprise and looking at the different fruits. We especially liked how the author described them 'tangy purple passion fruit' 'creamy green avocado'



This week in Maths Reception have been learning about numbers that go together to make 6 and 7. We had a lot of fun talking about 6/7!

KS1 Week in Pictures



Some of our Year 1 children loved logging in and working on their Lexia targets at after school club this week. They really enjoyed the challenges. Please use your Lexia at home too



Year 1 have been making good use of the writing sheds this week. They have written posters about plants, letters to King Charles and shopping lists for a healthy sandwich.



This week, Year 2 celebrated a special day close to our hearts. This Wishbone Day, we wore yellow and raised money to raise awareness about OI.



In Maths, Year 2 have started their new unit on time. We have been learning o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to.



LKS2 Week in Pictures



On Wish Bone Day we made informative posters to share information with people who might not know what it is about.



Year 3 really enjoyed creating book reviews based on Romeo and Juliet and sharing their opinions



This week Year 4 went to the Hub library. We walked there and had the opportunity to read a variety of books



Some of us used our library cards to check out a book and others handed in application forms to receive new library cards

UKS2 Week in Pictures



Year 5 have visited the library and looked at the new books on offer. We are excited with the new titles.



Year 5 have been testing each other on spellings this week by playing a game. We enjoying learning them and then testing different people.



In Science, Year 6 have looked at Natural selection (survival of the fittest) and discussed how it can lead to adaptations and evolution within a species.



In English, to celebrate our finishing of Paperman, Year 6 crafted their own Paper Planes to see if it was as tricky as Malcolm made it out to be, to hit a target.

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	Mila C	For lovely manners whilst eating her lunch
Reception	Matilda	For eating her food and staying calm
Year 1	Gene	For looking after the new equipment and playing with it nicely
Year 2	Miya	For improving her skipping. Miya took her time learning how to skip. Miya is always polite and has a smile on her face
Year 3	Eliza M	For always being kind and caring towards friends
Year 4	Sebby	For being a lovely friend and always playing nicely
Year 5	Poppy	For being a kind and caring friend
Year 6	Rowyn	For showing the caring value and looking after the younger children. Rowyn has been taking children to an adult when they are hurt and has also been offering to play with others when they have been on their own

Mealtime Megastar as chosen by the kitchen staff

India – Year 6	For being a helpful and kind in the hall by sorting the chairs out and putting them away
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After School Club phone

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

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	Evie – Year 4	Evie is a quiet, gentle and kind member of ASC. She always makes the right choices and helps and supports the younger children.
KS2	Kalem – Year 2	Kalem has stayed focused this week on lots of different tasks and has made good choices in ASC.

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	Mila C	Forr doing excellent work in maths in this week.
Reception	Parker	For achieving and inspiring. Parker has produced some excellent artwork this week inspired by our Handa's Surprise story.
Year 1	Tommy	For achieving: This week, Tommy has written a party invitation in his writing lesson. He has worked very hard to sit all his letters on the line and to use super phonics to spell words.
Year 2	Mia	For improving: this week you have blown us away with your hard work and understanding of time!
Year 3	Henry	For Achieving: This week Henry has produced some excellent work in maths, sharing great ideas during class reasoning using his sentence stems and apparatus to support his answers.
Year 4	Sophie	For Improving: This week, Sophie has improved her work pace and completed more work in the allocated time. Sophie has shown resilience in wanting to improve at every opportunity.
Year 5	Sienna	For achieving and improving – Sienna has been showing her creative side this week. She worked well with her partner to create a piece of art based on 'The Tempest' by William Shakespeare.
Year 6	Maisie	For improving and achieving – Maisie has worked tremendously hard with her writing this whole year! Each piece gets better and better, with more intentional decisions about what the reader wants!

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	Elissa	For helping her friends find their carpet places and always sharing
Reception	Milo	For sharing his good news with us about a new baby in the family. He showed our caring value by talking about how he would care for the new baby.
Year 1	Callie	For caring: Callie has been doing a great job of helping to take care of the new outside play equipment in KS1. She collects it all up at the end of lunchtime play, ready to be put back in the shed safely.
Year 2	Oscar	You have shown a mature attitude in all areas this week. You have supported your friends and been a positive role model.
Year 3	Alaiah-Rae	For Caring: This week, Alaiah has shown kindness, and a willingness to help Miss Goodson with jobs both in and out of the classroom.
Year 4	Cobe	For Caring: Cobe shown great resilience when waiting to choose a book on our library trip. Cobe also shown great interest in all the books and all the different genres.
Year 5	Isabella	Isabella has a positive work attitude and is a calming influence on others. She has worked hard this week to avoid being distracted by others.
Year 6	Year 6	This term, in the lead up to our SATs, Year 6 have all been looking out for one another! It has been brilliant to see advice and words of encouragement shared between tables and Year 6 has been a calm and supportive place to be! Keep it up everyone!