

DISCOVERY ACADEMY NEWS

Attendance and absence

| Days off school add to lost learning | | | | | |
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| 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 |
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| Nursery | 93% | Year 3 | 92% |
| Reception | 91% | Year 4 | 96% |
| Year 1 | 96% | Year 5 | 100% |
| Year 2 | 92% | Year 6 | 89% |

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.

Goodbye and Good luck

At the end of this term we will be saying goodbye to two teachers; Miss Thompson and Mrs Parkinson.

Miss Thompson was here on a maternity leave cover and has been a fabulous member of our team whilst here. She will be moving on to a new post at Stalyhill Infant School in September.

Mrs Parkinson started her time at Discovery as a parent volunteer and has progressed through to teacher. During her time here she has made a valuable impact to many pupils and families. Mrs Parkinson will be moving to a school in Stockport where she will be teaching in a resourse base unit, putting her skills to great use supporting pupils.

We wish both Miss Thompson and Mrs Parkinson the best of luck.

A separate letter has been sent today with staffing updates for September 2026.

June Calendar dates

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| 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 |
| Week beginning 22 nd June | Assessment week | Whole school except Yr 6 | Tasks and test to inform end of year reports |
| Tuesday 30 th June 9.30am | EYFS and KS1 Sports morning | Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2 | Parents invited. All children need PE kit in school |

July Calendar dates

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| Wednesday 1 st July 2pm | KS2 Sports afternoon | Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 | Parents invited. All children need PE kit in school |
| 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 |

Please note a change to Sports Days

School Meal Price Increase

Please note from 1st September 2026 the cost of a school meal will increase

Old price £2.65 per meal, per day

New price £2.95 per meal, per day

A letter has been emailed out to parents this week, please take time to read this for the full details

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.

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| 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... |
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| 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 |

No

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

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



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/minfec>.

community sessions

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Mondays 5:00-6:00pm

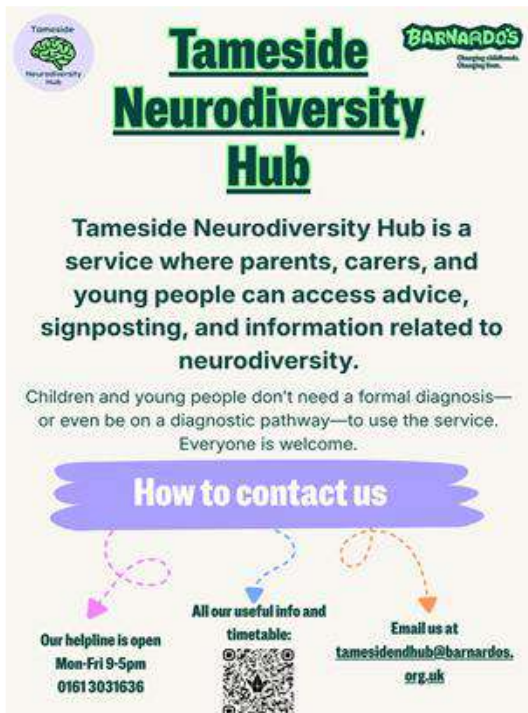
▲ KEN WARD
Thursdays 5:00-6:00pm

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

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

FRIDAY'S (TERM TIME ONLY) 9:30-11

£2 PER SESSION

Princess Trust

One of our pupils is showing the caring value by donating her hair to the Princess Trust. Lucia will be having her hair cut live by Mrs Oldham in one of our Friday assemblies and that alone is brave!

If you would like to sponsor Lucia then please use this link to do so!

https://www.justgiving.com/page/lucishairdonation?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

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.

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| Nursery | Layla | For always making good choices at lunchtime |
| Reception | Matilda | For helping her friend cut their dinner and being kind to others |
| Year 1 | Myla | For showing the caring value and playing nicely with her friends |
| Year 2 | Bilal | For being polite and playing nicely with his friends |
| Year 3 | Timothy | For being a superb friend and taking care of his friends wellbeing |
| Year 4 | Alana | For always being helpful and despite always having a packed lunch she always has lovely manners |
| Year 5 | Honey | For being helpful and kind |
| Year 6 | Asley | For always being polite and using his manners |

Mealtime Megastar as chosen by the kitchen staff

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| Tairah – Year 3 | For exceptional kindness, respect and having a constantly cheerful spirit |
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After School Club phone

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

After school club Child of the week.

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| EYFS & KS1 | Jaxson – Year 1 | Jaxson is always polite and well- mannered during ASC. He consistently remembers to make good choices. |
| KS2 | Rowyn – Year6 | Rowyn has settled well in ASC. She is very kind and gentle and always willing to help and support the younger children. |

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.



CHILD OF THE WEEK

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| Nursery | Maya | For improving her confidence during carpet time discussions. Maya has been exploring our Under the Sea area and used some great vocabulary to tell everyone what she could see. |
| Reception | Matteo | For achieving and improving. Matteo is trying hard with his writing and is getting better at writing simple phrases. |
| Year 1 | Year 1 | To the whole of Year 1 for a super effort when completing their Phonics Screening Checks. We are all very proud of each and every one of you. |
| Year 2 | Casey | For achieving: This week you have impressed us with your hard work and determination during your Phonics Screening Check! Your attitude to learning has blown your teachers away. Keep it up! |
| Year 3 | Aryas | For Improving- Aryas has been focussing on his handwriting and it has made such a difference to his presentation! |
| Year 4 | Year 4 | For amazing attitude, perseverance and resilience during the Multiplication Check. Everyone gave 100% and made Discovery proud! |
| Year 5 | Ava-Rae | For achieving and inspiring – Ava-Rae has had such a good attitude toward her works this week. We have seen noticeable changes in her handwriting and presentation. Well done Ava-Rae. |
| Year 6 | Ashley | For improving – following some feedback from his teachers, Ashley has been working on his learning behaviours and getting back into the regular routine of a classroom. Keep it up Ashley! |

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.

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| Nursery | Layla | Layla for making a big effort in being kind to her friends and for being so good during our morning chats about class rules. |
| Reception | Matilda | For resilience and settling well into her first week back in school. |
| Year 1 | Josie | For caring: Josie took our class sunflower home for the holidays again and did an amazing job watering it and caring for it. It is now 98cm tall! |
| Year 2 | Finley | For inspiring us all with your resilience and positive attitude on returning to school after your operation. We have all missed your smiley face! |
| Year 3 | Caleb | Caleb had a very tired and quiet start on Monday but soon became incredibly eager and positive about the work that we were doing in. Keep up this positive attitude Caleb! |
| Year 4 | Flo R | During the Multiplication check, Florence was feeling anxious and upset but persevered and showed excellent resilience to complete her check finishing with a big smile. |
| Year 5 | Bobbie-George | Bobbie-George has returned to school with a great attitude to learning. He is working well with his partner and it is nice to see they are supporting each other. Well done. |
| Year 6 | Alice | Alice has been more thoughtful and conscientious this week when sharing her ideas in lessons. She is building on the ideas of others and debating in a polite manner with the people on her table! |