

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 **94%**

Class	Average	Class	Average
Nursery	93%	Year 3	96%
Reception	94%	Year 4	95%
Year 1	94%	Year 5	94%
Year 2	90%	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.

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

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

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.

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

No

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

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/minfoc>.

community sessions

COPLEY
Mondays 5:00-6:00pm

KEN WARD
Thursdays 5:00-6:00pm

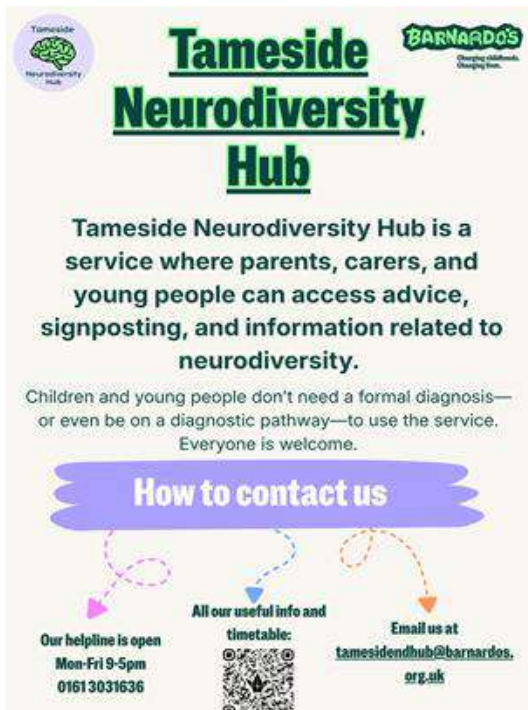
Our mainstream community sessions take place every day during the week. Children and young people from 6-16 years old can take part in a wide variety of different activities including bowling, swimming, football, multi-sports & wellbeing and much more, from only £2 per session!

ACTIVE
TAMESIDE



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.

Nursery	Hezekiah	For always using his manners
Reception	Gracie	For being a great role model to the Nursey children
Year 1	Sophie	For always being polite and helping to tidy up everyday
Year 2	Freddie-James	For always using your manners and playing nicely with your friends
Year 3	Timothy	For always ensuring lunchtime equipment is put away and for keeping the playground tidy
Year 4	Lainey	For lovely manners and playing with the children from other classes so nicely
Year 5	Calvin	For always being polite and helpful
Year 6	Israel	For helping out with the younger children when they were playing football

Mealtime Megastar as chosen by the kitchen staff

Nursery	For being absolute superstars this week and settling into joining us in the hall at dinner so brilliantly
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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	Penelope – Year 2	Penelope is always polite and happy to join in with activities, helping the younger children if they need support.
KS2	Nicholas – Year 4	Nicholas has worked hard to not only make good choices in ASC but to help and support the adults and children when asked.

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.



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

The following children have received their class award today for excellent participation linked to each of our Trust values

Early Years/KS1

	Inspiring	Discovering	Caring	Improving	Achieving
Nursery	<p>Layla Layla led the way during our animal friends visit and inspired her friends to hold animals they felt unsure about.</p>	<p>Otis Otis has a thirst for knowledge and he enjoyed discovering how to create Treasure maps using tea bags.</p>	<p>Cooper Cooper rescued a bug from the outdoor area and was the first person to relocate a bug into the new bug house.</p>	<p>Matthias Matthias got involved with every task during Victorious Voyage week and he improved his confidence with animals and trying new things.</p>	<p>Violet Violet not only completed the tasks on the sheet she also did an extra 15 bonus tasks and sent in a full documented pack all about the exciting things.</p>
Reception	<p>Max His amazing outdoor adventures! He has inspired Ms Shenton to do more outdoor activities!</p>	<p>Ollie Discovering lots of new things to do animals, baking, drawing and leaf rubbing.</p>	<p>Fedora For taking part in lots of the activities with her little sister!</p>	<p>Thomas For improving his participation in lots of activities with his family!</p>	<p>Finlay For completing 14 activities in the holidays with his family!</p>
Year 1	<p>Casper For completing many experiments at home and inspiring us all to be more inquisitive, ask more questions and become a scientist.</p>	<p>Riley Riley travelled far and wide in the holidays to Turkey and navigated a pirate ship. He walked bare foot in the sand, swam in the sea and star gazed using a digital app.</p>	<p>Finley Greengrass Finley spent a day of his holidays designing and making appreciation cards for his friends. He made sure they all knew how special they are to him.</p>	<p>Esme Esme turned anxiety into bravery at Cockfields Farm, when she heroically stroked a tarantula. We were so impressed by her attitude that she made others want to try too.</p>	<p>Sophie Sophie has high aspirations in everything she does. Over the holidays she has learnt new dance routines, completed swim challenges and even practiced her Phonic skills in Cyprus</p>
Year 2	<p>Penelope For inspiring us all with your bravery during our farm visit. Penelope conquered her fear and held a tarantula and stroked a snake!</p>	<p>Teddy For showing curiosity and courage while snorkelling on holiday and discovering different sea animals and their habitats. You explored the world around you with enthusiasm.</p>	<p>Oscar For showing kindness and care for wildlife by creating a safe and welcoming home for a blue tit bird. You thought carefully about how to help animals and protect nature.</p>	<p>Kaylan For demonstrating responsibility and teamwork by helping to wash cars. Your hard work and positive attitude helped improve your community and showed great effort.</p>	<p>Mia For showing dedication and determination by performing in a dance final competition. Your commitment and confidence helped you achieve something to be proud of.</p>



KS2

	Inspiring	Discovering	Caring	Improving	Achieving
Year 3	<p>Freddie For taking every opportunity throughout voyages week and his half-term holiday to complete activities for his Victorious Voyages passport.</p>	<p>Lydia Lydia was reading the labels at SeaLife Centre, which included facts about the creatures and enjoyed taking pictures to share when we came back to school.</p>	<p>Kariebi Kari put a lot of thought and effort into her art work for the sea creature trail and produced multiple pieces to choose from!</p>	<p>Odosa Odosa has been improving during the holiday by completing his pram training and going on family walks.</p>	<p>Sophia-Grace Sophia-Grace has enjoyed sharing her achievements with the adults in the room and spoke positively about all of the experiences.</p>
Year 4	<p>Cobe Asking lots of thoughtful questions throughout the day especially showing a keen interest in the water safety talk at the RNLI Centre.</p>	<p>Evie For a lovely letter written to David Attenborough about the pollution of our oceans.</p>	<p>Oliver For helping to remove a very important item from the park and the wider community.</p>	<p>Jacob For creating an amazing sea creature to be displayed around the wider community.</p>	<p>Ruby For a successful week even though there was a change of routine and activities. She engaged herself in all tasks to the best of her ability.</p>
Year 5	<p>Nancy Dakolo Nancy has written and performed some poetry. She has been really supportive at home and helped mow the lawn and build a shed. Nancy has been baking at home too.</p>	<p>Lincoln Lincoln went to the Jorvik museum to learn more about the Vikings. He made a fabulous presentation about his adventures to Dublin, discovered some facts about an axolotl and then created a business idea which involved making habitat boxes.</p>	<p>Poppy Poppy has a bird house in her garden, she has spotted some Blue Tits and researched the bird. She has designed a poster on how we can help take care of the birds if we spot them in the garden.</p>	<p>Isabella Isabella has improved her sewing skills, made a fabulous desert and helped to improve the area by getting really involved in our litter pick. She has held a snake. She has improved her knowledge on the Victorians by visiting a museum.</p>	<p>Tobias Tobias has completed an escape room during the half term break. He has been looking for wild animals. Tobias has helped lots at home by washing the cars and feeding his grandma's cats.</p>
Year 6	<p>Molly Molly has inspired us all with her team work and dedication to her Cheer work She competed in Barcelona and achieved some brilliant scores. Then competed in Leicester, which resulted in her receiving a bid for Florida in 2027!</p>	<p>Israel During Victorious Voyagers week, Israel produced a brilliant podcast discussing Sea Lions, how to care for them, and even added intro music. What a great listen Israel!</p>	<p>Esmae Esmae worked brilliantly on her scarecrow patch. She took great care when stitching her design and spoke about how she was glad we were protecting the birds and not harming them.</p>	<p>Ethan Ethan has worked brilliantly during Victorious Voyages week, improving different areas of our community. He organised plants for around the school, then continued this improving attitude by leading our group when we went litter picking in Broadbottom.</p>	<p>Maisie For putting her all into every task on Victorious Voyages week, and doing it all with a smile on her face. She has worked well with peers and adults to gain new skills and has really enjoyed what she has done.</p>