

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	91%	Year 3	93%
Reception	90%	Year 4	93%
Year 1	98%	Year 5	96%
Year 2	98%	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.



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	Alistair - Reception	For being polite and using his manners at the snack table.
KS2	Jacob – Year 5	for going above and beyond being kind to others and helping tidy the equipment up.

Senior Leadership Team

The leadership team at Discovery Academy has changed this year. Mrs Oldham is now working across the school and with the Trust and I am the day-to-day Head of School. Supporting me is Mrs Moss-Gibbons as Assistant Head. We all look forward to working with our Discovery Families over the next 12 months.

				
Mrs Oldham Executive Headteacher		Mrs Collins Head of School		
				
Mrs Moss-Gibbons Assistant Headteacher	Mr Roberts KS2 Leader Year 3 - 6	Mrs Mayers SENDCO	Mrs Stokes KS1 Leader Year 1 - 2	Ms Shenton EYFS Leader Nursery and Reception

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.

September Calendar dates

Reading Eggs Parent Training session	Tuesday 22 nd September	Whole school	2:45 – 3:15pm
Phonics Workshop for Parents	Monday 28 th September	Nursery and Reception	2:30pm- 3pm

We'll also be holding a Parent Training Session on Tuesday 22nd September, from 2.45-3.15pm, where you can find out more about the platform and how to support your child's learning at home.

Reading Eggs



This September we're excited to launch **Reading Eggs**, a new fun and engaging online learning platform designed to support children with their **reading and maths skills at home**.

We will be holding a Parent Training Session on Tuesday 22nd September, from 2.45-3.15pm, where you can find out more about the platform and how to support your child's learning at home. We encourage all families to make the most of this fantastic resource and spend a little time each week learning together at home. Teachers will explain in more detail at your meet your teacher session and will share homework expectations. Look out for your child's login details and attend the training if you can.

Thank you for your continued support.



October Calendar dates

Individual Photos	Monday 5 th October	Whole School	9am start.
Phonics Workshop for Parents	Monday 5 th October	Year 1	2:30pm- 3pm
Spanish day	Friday 9 th October	Whole School	Dress in yellow, red or Spanish costume
Phonics Workshop for Parents	Monday 12 th October	Year 2	2:30pm-3pm
Parent Consultations	Tuesday 13 th October	Whole School	1:00-6:00pm
Scholastic Book Fair	Monday 12 th October, Tuesday 13 th Oct and Wednesday 14 th October	Whole school	In the small hall 3.15-4pm
EYFS/KS1 Family assembly	Friday 23 rd October	Nursery - Year 2	9-9.30am
KS2 Family assembly	Friday 23 rd October	Year 3 - 6	2.30-3pm

Don't miss out... ...on a school place for your child



Primary School

High School

If your child will be 4 before 1 September 2027

- You should put your child's name down at any Tameside Primary School.
- During October the school will send you the information you will need to make your application.
- If your child attends a school nursery they are NOT guaranteed a place in Reception. You will need to make a new application for a Reception place.
- You must apply for a Primary School Reception place online through the Tameside MBC website at www.tameside.gov.uk
- The online application facility will open for new Reception applications **early November 2026**.
- The closing date for Primary School applications is **15 January 2027**.
- Any application received after 15th January 2027 will be dealt with as a 'LATE' application and considered after those received on time.

If your child will be 11 before 1 September 2027

- You should apply for a High School place through the Local Authority where you live.
- Extra district residents will receive information on how to apply from their own Local Authority.
- You must apply for a High School Year 7 place online through the Tameside MBC website at www.tameside.gov.uk
- The online application facility will open for new Year 7 applications **early September 2026**.
- The closing date for High School applications is **31 October 2026**.
- Any application received after 31st October 2026 will be dealt with as a 'LATE' application and considered after those received on time.



Tesco fruit and Veg grant

Discovery would like to get our pupils involved in growing our own produce and use the fruit and vegetables grown to help with eating healthier.

Our project will be in the below stores blue token voting unit.

2571 Glossop Superstore SK13 8HB
2712 Hyde Stockport Express SK14 5RF
6544 Denton Mancunian Road Express M34 7NP
6553 Hattersley Extra SK14 6QA
6676 Hadfield Station Road Express SK13 1AR

Please share this with your friends and family and encourage as many people as possible to vote for our project



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	Harper	For always using good manners
Reception	Carter	For trying all the new dinners at school
Year 1	Gracie	For helping to tidy up the equipment on the playground
Year 2	Etiosa	For helping tidy up the playground
Year 3	Esme	For showing a fantastic appetite and making a great effort to enjoy more of her lunch
Year 4	Jonah	For always standing at the front of the line patiently and quietly
Year 5	Theo	For settling into lunchtime routines and for always being kind
Year 6	Darcey	For helping to tidy up without being asked

Mealtime Megastar as chosen by the kitchen staff

Reception	For showing excellent manners as a whole class and making such a positive contribution in the hall at dinnertime
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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	Ciara	For settling in so well and making new friends in Nursery and Reception
Reception	Cooper	For being Caring and Inspiring. Cooper is such a great role model to others, always setting a good example and demonstrating our Discovery values.
Year 1	Nova	For inspiring: This week, Nova sang her heart out in our Music lesson. She followed all the actions to learn to song and inspired others to join in.
Year 2	Lottie	Lottie was such an active member of the class during our workshop this week and has also been looking after our playground by putting rubbish in the bins.
Year 3	Finley	For Caring: In Year 3, Finley is always the first to congratulate others on their achievements. Finley encourages his friends when they are finding something difficult and often helps those around him.
Year 4	Aryas	For always showing such a caring nature, helping others whenever needed and encouraging those around him to make the right choices. A wonderful role model to others.
Year 5	Cobe	This week, Cobe has been speaking with his teacher about how to improve both in class and with his friendships. He is recognising areas he would like to improve and is coming up with a plan with his teachers!
Year 6	Emily	For Caring: This week, Emily has shown kindness and care to all our class. She has been particularly thoughtful and helpful to our newest student and we are very proud of her for setting such a lovely example.

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	Coen	For trying hard to listen well at carpet time.
Reception	Elissa	For being Caring. This week, Elissa looked after one of her friends when they were poorly, checking they were ok and showing such kindness.
Year 1	Amelia	For Inspiring: Amelia has settled into Year 1 so well. It has been lovely to see her start each day with a positive attitude and show such fantastic independence.
Year 2	Freddy	For Improving- Freddy has worked hard this week to improve his learning behaviours and to complete his work. It has been lovely to see him be so proud of what he has completed!
Year 3	Kaylan	For Inspiring: Every day Kaylan inspires those around him to do their very best. He sets an excellent example for his peers, listens carefully and has excellent manners.
Year 4	Tairah	For discovering and inspiring – For showing fantastic enthusiasm and making a great contribution during our English lesson this week and inspiring others around her with her positive attitude.
Year 5	Florence B	For improving and achieving – Since starting Year 5, Flo has been making great efforts to remain focused and on task in class. She is speaking with adults when she needs support and working well with her partners in Maths lessons! Great Work Flo!
Year 6	Tobias	For Inspiring and Achieving: This week, Toby has continued to set an excellent example to us all. He works hard, is kind and his creative writing is lovely to read.