

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	91%
Reception	94%	Year 4	96%
Year 1	92%	Year 5	97%
Year 2	98%	Year 6	95%

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	Tommy and Freddy – Year 2	For working well in a team making pizza using Play-Doh. Great teamwork Tommy and Freddy.
KS2	Eliza J – Year 4	For always coming in ASC with a smile on her face and never forgetting to ask staff how their day has been. You are an inspiration to us all Eliza.

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 SEND CO	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

Phonics Workshop for Parents	Monday 28 th September	Nursery and Reception	2:30pm- 3pm

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

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	Millie	For always being polite and kind to others.
Reception	Aubree	For eating all her dinner sensibly each day
Year 1	Isaac	For using his manners and playing nicely with his friends
Year 2	Josie	For being a superstar tidy up helper
Year 3	Eljah	For putting boundaries in place and making sure his friends are all playing fairly
Year 4	Alaiah-Rae	For always being a positive influence to her peers
Year 5	Luke	For always being polite and a good friend
Year 6	Katie	For helping to tidy up the hall

Mealtime Megastar as chosen by the kitchen staff

Layla – Reception	For trying different lunch choices and being willing to give new foods a go. Keep being brave and adventurous!
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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



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	Ronnie	Ronnie painted a portrait of his mum, he loved mixing the colours to make pink hair!
Reception	Harlo	For Inspiring: Harlo always comes into school with a big smile and starts each day with a positive attitude.
Year 1	Tommy H	For achieving: Tommy has made a fantastic start in Year 1. This week, he has impressed us with his amazing writing skills. His handwriting is neat and he is already starting to use phonics to spell new words.
Year 2	Demi	For Improving- Demi listens carefully to feedback about her work and has been independently editing her English and maths work.
Year 3	Diego	For achieving: In Year 3, Diego always works hard in lessons and makes excellent choices. This week, he has really focused on improving his handwriting and the results are fantastic!
Year 4	Lily	For Inspiring: This week, Lily has been an excellent role model to the rest of her class. Not only helping out Mr Tranter and Miss Booth, but working with her table to share ideas and work cooperatively.
Year 5	Leo	For improving and achieving – Leo is making great efforts to improve his writing and make it uniquely his. He is listening carefully to feedback from his peers and teachers and is checking to see if he has done it correctly!
Year 6	Harvey	For Caring and Achieving: Harvey is wonderfully polite, works hard and is a good friend to those around him. It has been lovely to see him produce some fantastic work this week.

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	Elliot	For Inspiring and Discovering: Elliot has settled so well into Nursery, making new friends and making all the grown-ups smile and always keeping busy!
Reception	Hezekiah	Hezekiah is such a kind and caring friend and will always encourage those around him.
Year 1	Gracie	For caring: This week Gracie has become our class librarian and has sorted, tidied and organised the books in our reading area for everyone.
Year 2	Etiosa	Etiosa has always got a caring thing to say to his friends and the adults in year 2. He has also kept trying when things have felt a bit tricky and we are very proud of his perseverance.
Year 3	Kalem	For Caring: Kalem has made a huge effort this week to help the teachers in the classroom. He has spent time tidying the classroom even at lunchtime. Thank you Kalem and keep it up!
Year 4	Kariebi	For Caring: This week, Kariebi has been acting as a superb role model and going above and beyond to support the well-being of her peers. Not only helping them with their work, but with their understanding too.
Year 5	Oliver	Oliver is someone in class who always has a smile and often speaks with positivity to his peers. He listens well to others and always contributes to classroom discussions with compassion.
Year 6	Isla	For Caring: Isla continues to be kind, supportive and a good friend to those around her. We are very proud of you!