Discovery Academy Friday 23rd October

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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%

We would like to remind all families that it is the responsibility of parents/carers to inform the school of any pupil absence. **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.

If you have not reported a child's absence by **9am** 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**. Prompt communication helps us fulfil our safeguarding responsibilities and maintain accurate attendance records.

Please contact the school office by telephone or email when your child is unable to attend. You can email Miss Oldham on admin@discovery.victoriousmat.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.

This week's attendance is 94%

Class	Average		Class	Average
Nursery	92%		Year 3	93%
Reception	98%		Year 4	95%
Year 1	88%		Year 5	98%
Year 2	94%		Year 6	93%

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 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	Jaxson – Year 2	Jaxson always comes in ASC with a big smile on his face. He always does his best to be positive and make good choices.
KS2	Ellie – Year 3	Ellie never fails to show kindness and respect to everyone around her. She is a good friend and plays fairly.

After School Club phone

For emergency use only:

07780 208 909

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November Calendar dates

SEND parent consultation	Tuesday 10th November	Families of SEND pupils	1-3.30pm
Odd sock day	Monday 16th November	Whole school	Wear odd socks for Down syndrome awareness
Children in Need	Friday 20th November	Whole school	Wear something spotty for £1 donation
Flu vaccinations	Tuesday 24th November	Whole school	Parents have been emailed for consent directly from Tameside Immunisations

December Calendar dates

Victorious Voices	Wednesday 9th December	KS2 Choir	In school time
KS1 Performance	Friday 11th December	Year 1 and 2	9.15 (approximately 45 minutes)
Christmas fair	Friday 11th December		2.30-4.30
KS2 Church	Monday 14th December	Year 3,4,5and 6	Year 5 and 6 - 9.30-10.15 Year 3 and 4 - 10.45 – 11.30 At St Barnabus 2 adults per child
EYFS Performance	Tuesday 15th December	Nursery and Reception	9.15 (approximately 45 minutes)
Christmas dinner day	Thursday 17th December	Whole school	Select hot meal on Arbor – dietary requirements catered for
Christmas jumper day	Thursday 17th December	Whole school	Wear a Christmas jumper
Christmas party day	Friday 18th December	Whole school	Party clothes

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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 breakfast club booking	Paid - Can be booked up until 06:50 on the same morning Free - Until 07:45 on the same morning	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



TESCO

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



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** Breakfast Club Funding Opportunity **

We're delighted to let you know about a new Kellogg's and Tesco initiative that could provide additional funding for our school's breakfast provision. Through the Kellogg's x Tesco Breakfast Club Grants activation, 300 eligible schools across the UK will each receive a **£500 grant** to support the running of their breakfast club.

The promotion is open to state primary and secondary schools that already operate a breakfast club or similar breakfast provision. Members of the public can nominate schools during the promotional period, with successful schools selected at random from all valid nominations received.

Nominations are open from **29 September to 26 October**.

For full details and to submit a nomination, please visit: https://www.kelloggs.co.uk/en_GB/our-story/breakfast-club-grant.html



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.

EYFS	Mila	For always having beautiful manners
Year 1	Finley	For showing your positive attitude toward your friends
Year 2	KJ	For always having a smile on his face and helping to tidy the playground
Year 3	Jorgie	For having excellent manners. Jorgie also holds the door for everyone in the hall but will always thank anyone else for holiday the door
Year 4	Kai-Luca	For trying new activities at lunchtime and being a super friend
Year 5	Florence R	For the caring value – Florence always looking after her friends
Year 6	Isabella	For always being kind and for being a good friend

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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	Millie	For achieving and improving. Millie showed great enthusiasm on our Bear Hunt! She has developed her confidence in telling the story throughout the week.
Reception	Renzo	For Achieving: Renzo has been working so hard in phonics and has made huge progress with letter formation.
Year 1	Maya	For inspiring: This week, Maya has worked very hard in her phonics lessons. She has segmented sounds, to spell new words with confidence and determination!
Year 2	Prayer	For Improving- Prayer has been listening to instructions and focusing on her own work without needing reminders from an adult.
Year 3	Raheel	For achieving: Raheel is a fantastic member of our class. He shows lots of enthusiasm and always tries his best. This week, he has had his hand up and completed lots of work independently.
Year 4	Mankirat	For Improving: This week, Mankirat has had a positive attitude to her Maths work. She has been trying her best by using the Maths equipment and asking for help when she's not been sure. She has also improved her presentation in her Maths book.
Year 5	Cobe	For inspiring and achieving – This week, Cobe has worked hard to complete a lot of his work independently. He is asking for support but trying to recognise when he can start or complete a task on his own.
Year 6	Eryk	For Inspiring and Achieving: Eryk has wowed us all with his impressive fraction knowledge and thoughtful contributions in all of our lessons. He is polite and sets a lovely example – well done!

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 inspiring and caring. Ciara is a lovely friend to have in Nursery. She has developed great confidence and enthusiasm for learning throughout the half term.
Reception	Aubree	For Caring: Aubree is a ray of sunshine. She demonstrates all Discovery's values daily and is a positive role model to her peers.
Year 1	Finley	For improving: Finley has shown super perseverance this week and worked hard to listen, wait and take turns in conversation.
Year 2	Esme	Esme has been powering through with the start of a cold this week but hasn't let it stop her from doing her best!
Year 3	Penelope	Penelope always shows our caring value in the classroom. In lessons this week about caring for the planet, Penelope was very passionate about the things we can do in our local community.
Year 4	Timothy	For Caring: This week, Timothy offered to help by taking a speaking role in assembly if needed. He has also been praised by his peers for showing good sportsmanship by shaking hands and thanking others after games.
Year 5	Nicholas	The past couple of weeks, Nicholas has worked hard to remain focused in class, even with a head bump at the weekend. He has been sure to look after his health and has practised caution when playing with friends.
Year 6	Felicity	For Caring: Felicity is always showing kindness and is the first to offer her support to others when they need it. We are proud of you!

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WRITING HERO

Each half term the class teacher will choose a child from their class who has shown our school values in writing in school.

Nursery	Elliot	Elliot loves mark making, painting and drawing pictures. He has been practicing his big shoulder movements by drawing funny faces on the whiteboard.
Reception	Layla	Layla has the most beautiful handwriting and has worked so hard on forming letters correctly. She chooses to spend time in the writing area to keep practicing.
Year 1	Gracie	For a fantastic effort in writing presentation, spelling and creating extra writing at home too!
Year 2	Josie	Josie has listened to feedback about her letter formation and has taken every opportunity to improve her work.
Year 3	Miya	For super effort half term. Miya shares her wonderful ideas with the class and her work is always her best.
Year 4	Lily	Lily has worked extremely hard on her English this half term. Not just contributing to discussions but asking for help when needed and using resources to help her continually improve her work.
Year 5	Sophie	Sophie has worked very hard this half-term, both in school and at home, to improve her writing. She is using all the skills she has learned in class then planning and writing her own stories at home! Great
Year 6	Tobias	Tobias is always thinking creatively and pushing himself to improve. His writing is beautiful to read!

READING HERO

Each half term the class teacher will choose a child from their class who has shown our school values in reading both in school and at home.

Nursery	Coen	For getting better at joining in with our rhyme and story times. He has loved Going on a Bear Hunt!
Reception	Matilda	Matilda has worked so hard in Guided Reading. She has been saying the sounds in words before blending them and then checking that what she has read makes sense.
Year 1	Max	For answering comprehension with a growing confidence in his reading lessons and excellent use of prosody.
Year 2	Kayetan	Kayetan has been using all of his reading skills to answer question sindependently and uses prosody to engage the listeners.
Year 3	Jorgie	For showing interest and enthusiasm in our class story and her own books too!
Year 4	Alaiah-Rae	Alaiah-Rae has shown good determination at completing her reading journal at home and then using her reading skills to contribute positively within reading lessons.
Year 5	Luca	For always completing his Reading Journal to a great standard and adding a great variety to his responses to reading.
Year 6	Poppy K-T	Poppy shows real enthusiasm for reading and inspires the class with her positive attitude.