



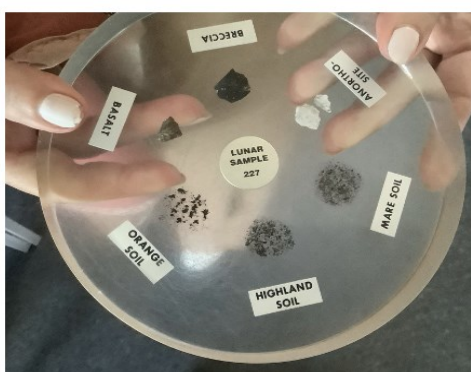
22nd September 2023

# Holden Clough Newsletter

## Stars of the Week

Rishi & Sulaiman	1DH
Adam & Oscar	1/2GE
Layla & Zayyan	2SP
Curtis & Yash	3LD
Lucy & Micah	3DL
Darius & Isabella	4GG
Lorcan & Zaara	4ST
Jake & Liyana	5CH
Kayden & Melody	5NH
Aroosh & Noah	6AH
Noah & Zoya	6JH

## This week in 5NH



## Dates to remember

- 09.10.23 - Individual photographs.
- 20.10.23 - School closes for half term.
- 30.10.23 - School opens for Autumn Term 2.
- 10.11.23 - Flu vaccinations.

A very special delivery of moon rocks and meteorites was delivered to 5NH this week. We had a fantastic time holding the samples, researching them, and discussing the surface of the moon!

## Macmillan Coffee Morning - Monday 2nd October



Come and join us Monday 2nd October for coffee and cake. Pop in on your way to work or stay and have a chat with other parents. All cake donations will be provided just come and enjoy.

## Dogs

We recognise that dogs are an important part of family life for many in the school community, and as such are often included in day-to-day activities such as walking children to and from school. However, others may find the presence of dogs in the playground and school grounds stressful, even frightening particularly with younger children, and even well-behaved dogs can behave unpredictably when placed in a busy, noisy and crowded environment. Therefore, we request that no dogs are brought into the school grounds at any time, either on a lead or carried.



REMINDER:  
No Dogs on  
School Property



## Reporting Absence

If your child is absent from school please ensure you report their absence to the school office as soon as possible **on the first day and each day thereafter**.

There is a facility to report pupil absence via our switchboard 0161 330 5248.

Alternatively, you can send an email to

[attendance@holdenclough.tameside.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@holdenclough.tameside.sch.uk).

Any unreported absences will be recorded as UNAUTHORISED until an acceptable reason for the absence is provided.

**After 3 days of absence due to illness, medical evidence will be required to authorise any further days away from school.**



# Flu Vaccinations



All children from **Reception class to year 6**, have their annual flu vaccination in school.

Our date this year is **Friday 10th November**.

Children may have the vaccine via a nasal spray or an injection.

Please follow the link below to register your child for either the nasal spray, the injection or to decline the vaccine completely.

<https://nhsImms.azurewebsites.net/session/6d90c2ea>

The link will close on the 3rd November allowing time for the collected information to be processed.

## Mr Kordemir's VIP's

The following children have been chosen this week to have lunch with Mr Kordemir for displaying exemplary behaviour during breaks and lunchtimes, following the school rules, and for being kind and helpful to others:

Harley 1DH  
Jonah 1/2GE  
Layla 2SP  
Alice 3LD  
Everett 3DL  
Rameen 4GG  
Olly 4ST  
Jenson 5CH  
Ibraheem 5NH  
Millie S 6AH  
Ameya 6JH





## Holidays during term time

It is requested that parents do not book holidays during term time, no matter the reason.

We appreciate that holidays are cheaper during term time, but we must ask that school attendance is a priority.

Weddings, family reunions and parental appointments will also not be authorised and school will action the local authority's policy for absence fully. Please work with us to ensure that your child has every opportunity to take advantage of the education available at Holden Clough.



## Attendance

Please see below the winners for week commencing 18th September 2023

1st - 1/2GE & 4ST 100%

2nd - Reception 99.33%

3rd - 5NH 99.29%



## Celebrate your birthday with a book!



Holden Clough no longer celebrates birthdays with sweets or cakes. Instead, we ask that children and parents choose a book to donate to their classroom library.

A bookplate will be stuck to the inside of each donated book's cover - it will look something like this:

This book was donated by Tom on the occasion of his 9<sup>th</sup> birthday, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023.

The class teacher and your child will share/read the book with the class and other children will be able to borrow the book to read. As always, children will be able to come into school in their birthday clothes, **happy birthday** will be sung and they will get a birthday sticker during the celebration assembly.

The **MORE** that you  
**READ**, the more things  
you will **KNOW**.  
The **MORE** that you  
**Learn**, the more places  
you'll **GO**.

Dr. Seuss

We thank you for your support in helping us adopt this new policy, we hope that the children will embrace our birthday book scheme and will enjoy leaving a literary legacy in their classroom.



# Time to apply...

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

### Primary School



#### If your child will be 4 before 1 September 2024

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 this will not secure them a place in Reception. You will need to make a new application for a Reception place.

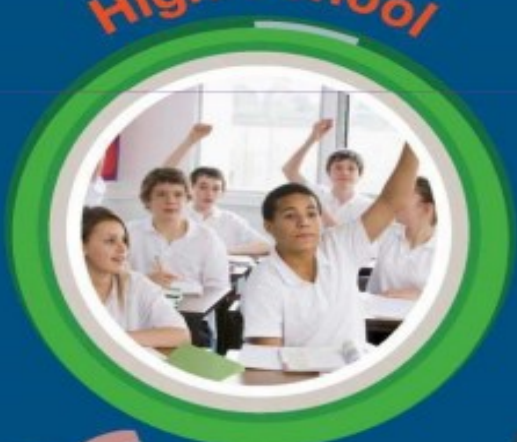
YOU must apply for a Primary School Reception place online through the Tameside Council website at [www.tameside.gov.uk](http://www.tameside.gov.uk)

THE online application facility will open for new Reception applications **early November 2023**.

THE closing date for Primary School applications is **15 January 2024**

ANY application received after 15 January 2024 will be dealt with as a 'LATE' application and considered after those received on time.

### High School



#### If your child will be 11 before 1 September 2024

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 Council website [www.tameside.gov.uk](http://www.tameside.gov.uk)

THE online application facility will open for new Year 7 applications **early September 2023**.

THE closing date for High School applications is **31 October 2023**.

ANY application received after 31 October 2023 will be dealt with as a 'LATE' application and considered after those received on time.



# Term Dates 2023-2024

## Holden Clough Primary 2023 - 2024 Term Dates

### Autumn Term

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Training day 1 - school closed to students
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Training day 2 - school closed to students
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	School opens to all students
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	School closes for half term break
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	School opens to all students
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	School closes for Christmas break

### Spring Term

Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2024	School opens to all students
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	School closes for half term break
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	School opens to all students
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	School closes for Easter break

### Summer Term

Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	School opens to all students
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2024	Training day 3 - school closed to students
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	May Day Bank Holiday – school closed
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	School closes for half term break
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	School opens to all students
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	School closes for summer break
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Training day 4 - school closed to students
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Training day 5 - school closed to students

### Training Day and Bank Holiday Summary

School is closed to students on the following dates:

- Training day 1: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023
- Training day 2: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023
- Training day 3: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2024
- Training day 4: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2024
- Training day 5: Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2024

### 2023 - 2024 Holiday Summary

Holiday	First Day	Last Day
Autumn Half Term Holidays	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2023	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023
Christmas Holidays	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2024
Spring Half Term Holidays	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
Easter Holidays	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Summer Half Term Holidays	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2024

First day of the academic year 2024/2025 will be Monday 2 September 2024, pupils start Wednesday 4th September 2024.