22nd March 2024

Holden Clough Newsletter

Stars of the Week			
Aayra & Brooke	1DH		
Haider & Stella	1/2GE		
Aisha & Yaseen	2SP		
Josie & Rishi	3LD		
Inaya & Rowan	3DL		
Hadia & Lewis	4GG		
Zaara & Vihan	4ST		
Liyana & Zainab	5CH		
Dylan & Inaya	5NH		
Alfie & Millie M	6AH		
Ibrahim & Zakariya	6JH		

Dates to remember

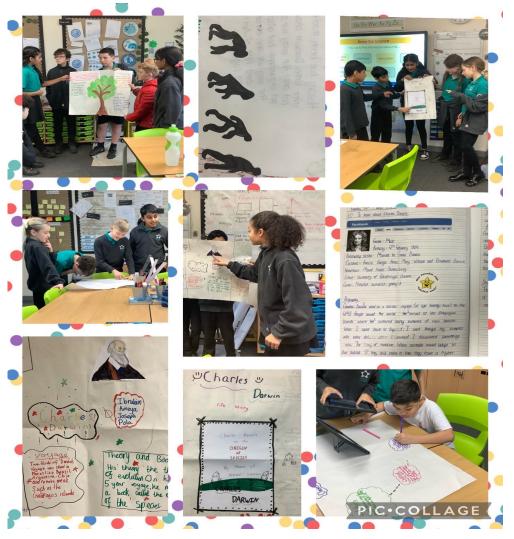
26.03.24 - Year 3 music assembly 9.00am

28.03.24 - School closes for Easter Holidays.

15.04.24 - School opens for Summer Term 1.

19.04.24 - Key Stage 2 trip to see Awful Auntie.

This week in 6JH



This half term we have been learning all about evolution as part of our science topic. More specifically, in the past week, we have been learning about Charles Darwin and his discovery of natural selection and survival of the fittest - where he believed creatures that adapted were more likely to survive and pass these desirable features on. In groups, children researched Darwin and shared their findings with the class. Having found out lots of interesting facts and information about him, children created their own Darwin Facebook profiles - which were absolutely fantastic!

After School Clubs - Summer Term 1

Please find below, the list of the new after school clubs that will be running when we return after the Easter Holidays for Summer Term 1.

The clubs start the week commencing Monday 15th April and will run for the six weeks of Summer Term 1 with the last session being in the week commencing 20th May. Please note that there is an INSET day on Thursday 2nd May and a Bank Holiday Monday on 6th May.

All of the clubs finish at 4.10pm.

Clubs will be on ParentPay after 3.30pm on Monday 25th March.

Booking is by ParentPay only. Please provide the following information in the <u>NOTES SECTION</u> on ParentPay:

- emergency contact details
- whether your child will be collected, going to school buddies or walking home (walking home years 5 & 6 only)

Due to the flood damage and reduced available space in school at the moment, after school clubs will be limited to the selection below:

Monday - 5 Sessions

- Football with Curzon Ashton Years 4, 5 & 6 (£12.50)
- Performing Arts Years 3 & 4 (£15.00)

Tuesday - 6 Sessions

- Lego Years 2, 3, 4 & 5 (£15.00)
- Performing Arts Year 5 & 6 (£18.00)

Thursday - 5 Sessions

- Football with Curzon Ashton Years 1, 2 & 3 (£12.50)
- ICT Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 (£12.50)
- Sewing club 4, 5 & 6 (£15.00)



On Thursday 28th March we will be having a whole school celebration day where the children will learn all about Easter.

There will be lots of Easter events happening throughout the day and the children will learn about the Easter story and it's importance in the Christian faith.

The children are invited to come in non-uniform with a hint of yellow to mark the festival.

Key Stage 2 Trip to see Awful Auntie

All children in Key Stage 2 will be going to see Awful Auntie at the Manchester Opera House on Monday 19th April.

Please ensure that payment is made by ParentPay if it hasn't already been done and details of your child's packed lunch arrangement are completed.

We will be leaving at 9.15am so please ensure that your child arrives at school on time, and will be back before the end of the school day.



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Decorated Easter Egg Competition

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To celebrate Easter this year we are running a Decorated Easter egg competition. The competition is open to all classes from Nursery to Year 6.

If your child would like to take part please ensure the eggs are hard boiled and entries are brought into school on **Monday 25th March** ready for judging on **Tuesday 26th March**.

We've had amazing entries in the past and I'm sure we won't be disappointed this year and there will be prizes awarded to a winner from each Key Stage.

Kitchen Competition

Cath, our cook is holding a colouring competition for all the children. If you would like to enter, take a sheet from the hall from Friday 22nd March and decorate however you like. Cath will judge the entries on Wednesday 27th March.



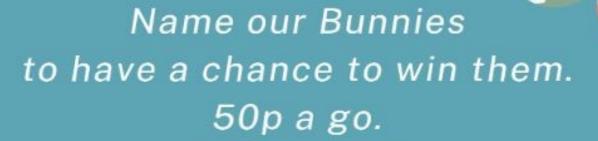
£1 PER ENTRY WITH LOTS OF WONDERFUL PRIZES TO BE WON!

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Virtual tickets will be available to buy on parent pay from the 18th - 24th March. The raffle will be drawn during the last week of term. Winners will be notified in school.

Good luck





Available on ParentPay! Choose the amount of times you wish to enter, Write the name you would call the bunny should you win and cross your fingers! Good luck.

The closing date for all entries will be the 27th March at 12pm. Winners will then be drawn and will be notified in school.



Mr Kordemir's VIP's

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

> Isaac 1DH Zikra 1/2GE Penny 2SP Everett 3DL Heidi 3LD Lucas 4GG Charlotte 4ST Jake 5CH Lily 5NH Adam 6AH Haaid 6JH



Attendance

Please see below the winners for week commencing 26th February 2024 1st - 5NH 98.52% 2nd - 4ST 98.00% 3rd - 6AH & 6JH 97.33%



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 de-tailing the reason for their absence.**

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.

Please do not use Class Dojo to report an absence.

Any unreported absences will be recorded as UNAUTHORISED until an acceptable reason for the absence is provided. We are only able to authorise 3 days leave due to illness without medical evidence. Any child that has attendance below 90% will be required to provide evidence to prove their absence. This could be medication, appointment letter/text or photographic evidence.

0 days of school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	9.5%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

Term Dates 2023-2024

Holden Clough Primary 2023 - 2024 Term Dates

Autumn Term

Monday 4th September 2023 Tuesday 5th September 2023 Wednesday 6th September 2023 Friday 20th October 2023 Monday 30th October 2023 Tuesday 19th December 2023

Spring Term Wednesday 3rd January 2024 Friday 9th February 2024 Monday 19th February 2024 Thursday 28th March 2024

Summer Term

Monday 15th April 2024 Thursday 2nd May 2024 Monday 6th May 2024 Friday 24th May 2024 Monday 10th June 2024 Friday 26th July 2024 Monday 29th July 2024 Tuesday 30th July 2024 Training day 1 - school closed to students Training day 2 - school closed to students School opens to all students School closes for half term break School opens to all students School closes for Christmas break

School opens to all students School closes for half term break School opens to all students School closes for Easter break

School opens to all students Training day 3 - school closed to students May Day Bank Holiday – school closed School closes for half term break School opens to all students School closes for summer break Training day 4 - school closed to students 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 4th September 2023 Training day 2: Tuesday 5th September 2023 Training day 3: Thursday 2nd May 2024 Training day 4: Monday 29th July 2024 Training day 5: Tuesday 30th July 2024

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

2023 - 2024 Holiday Summary

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

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Term Dates 2024-2025

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Term and Holiday Dates for Academic Year 2024/2025 **Tameside Academies**

Term / Holiday		First Day	Last Day	No of Days	
Autumn Term 1	INSET DAYS Monday 2 nd and Tuesday 3 rd September 2024 - Children not in school	Wednesday 4th September 2024	Friday 25 th October 2024	38	
Autumn Half Term Holiday		Monday 28 th October 2024	Friday 1 st November 2024		
Autumn Term 2		Monday 4 th November 2024	Friday 20 th December 2024	35	
Christmas Holiday		Monday 23 rd December 2024	Friday 3 rd January 2025		
Spring Term 1	INSET DAY Monday 6 th January 2025 Children not in school	Tuesday 7 th January 2025	Friday 14 th February 2025	29	
Spring Half term Holiday		Monday 17 th February 2025	Friday 21 st February 2025		
Spring Term 2		Monday 24 th February 2025	Friday 4 th April 2025	30	
Easter Holiday		Monday 7 th April 2025	Monday 21 st April 2025		
Summer Term 1	BANK HOLIDAY Monday 5 th May 2025 Children not in school	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025	Friday 23 rd May 2025	23	
Summer Half Term Holiday		Monday 26 th May 2025	Friday 6 th June 2025		
Summer Term 2	INSET DAYS Monday 28 th and Tuesday 29 th July 2025 Children not in school	Monday 9 th June 2025	Friday 25 th July 2025	35	
Total Days					
Pupils are required to be in school for 190 days per academic year.					

Proposed first day of the academic year 2025/2026 will be Monday 1st September 2025, proposed pupil start date Wednesday 3rd September 2025.