



19th April 2024

# Holden Clough Newsletter

## Stars of the Week

Aisha & Arraya	1DH
Jayden & Stella	1/2GE
Kolton & Lola	2SP
To follow	3LD
To follow	3DL
To follow	4GG
To follow	4ST
To follow	5CH
To follow	5NH
To follow	6AH
To follow	6JH

## This week in 4ST



## Dates to remember

**02.05.24** - INSET Day  
School closed for children.

**06.05.24** - Early May Bank Holiday - School closed for everyone.

**08.05..24** - Year 3 trip to Manchester Museum.

**22.05.24** - Year 6 residential to London.

What a busy first week back in 4ST! This week we introduced our personal writing projects and our class have begun planning what they are going to write over this half term in English. We had an amazing afternoon celebrating Eid where children made Eid fact files and created Eid artwork, as well as eating lots of tasty food! 4ST started our new PE unit playing cricket, where we showed off our best fielding positions and practiced our underarm and over arm throwing. A great start to our summer half term with lots of great learning and celebrating.

## Is Your Child Eligible for Free School Meals / Pupil Premium?

Did you know that School can claim additional funds from central Government for **every** child in **any** year group whose Parent/Carer is receiving one of the welfare benefits listed below?

- Universal Credit, provided they have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided they are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190, as assessed by HMRC
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

The additional funds are put towards valuable support like extra tuition, additional teaching and pupil welfare. If eligible, your child will also have the option of enjoying a Free School Meal every day.

**So if you are in receipt of any of the benefits listed above we would be very grateful if you could complete the online form at [www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims-tameside](http://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims-tameside) and check your eligibility.**

## Administering Medicine in School

Should your child be prescribed any medication or antibiotics that need to administered during the school day, please bring the medication to the school office where it will be stored securely and complete a request to administer medication form. For the safety of all, please do not send any medication in to school with your child.



## Nut Free School

We have a number of children in school who have a severe allergy to all types of nuts where a reaction can occur not only by consuming them but also by just being in the vicinity of nuts or products that contain nuts. Therefore, we would like to remind you not to send any snacks, cakes etc. into school that contain nuts of any type.



Thank you for your cooperation

## 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 detailing 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](mailto: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	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

# Holidays in Term Time

Parents must not book holidays during term time, no matter the reason. We appreciate that this affects prices etc. but we must ask that school attendance is a priority. We have unfortunately already referred families to the court service for fines.

Weddings, parental appointments and work commitments will not be authorised and school will action the local authority's policy for absence fully. It is important that you follow the school policy on reporting sickness, and we would also ask you not to tell us your child is sick if they are on holiday - Just be honest with us about your intent.

Work your child misses when they are off is hard to catch up and while fully appreciating the benefits of travel for wider learning, we ask you to use the 175 days available to you annually when your child is not required to be in school, to enrich your child's cultural and academic horizons.

Please work with us to ensure that your child has every opportunity to take advantage of the fantastic education available at Holden Clough. It has been hard since COVID to restore the attendance balance at school so help us to show your child how important this aspect of learning is.

Thank you

## Attendance

Please see below the winners for week commencing 25th March 2024

1st - 6AH 100%

2nd - 4ST 99%

3rd - 4GG 98.3%



## 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:

Ting Ting 1DH

Leon 1/2GE

Layla 2SP







# WE ARE CELEBRATING ST. GEORGE'S DAY

On Tuesday 23rd  
April 2024 we will  
be celebrating St.  
George's Day.

St. George is the  
Patron Saint of  
England.

All children may  
come to school on  
this day dressed in  
RED and WHITE  
clothes.



# Term Dates 2023-2024

## Holden Clough Primary 2023 - 2024 Term Dates

### Autumn Term

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023  
 Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023  
 Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023  
 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
 Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
 Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2023

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

### Spring Term

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024  
 Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
 Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
 Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024

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

### Summer Term

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024  
 Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2024  
 Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024  
 Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024  
 Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024  
 Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2024  
 Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2024  
 Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2024

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 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.

# 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 <sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2024 - Children not in school	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	38
Autumn Half Term Holiday		Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2024	
Autumn Term 2		Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	35
Christmas Holiday		Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2024	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2025	
Spring Term 1	INSET DAY Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025 Children not in school	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	29
Spring Half term Holiday		Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2025	
Spring Term 2		Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	30
Easter Holiday		Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025	
Summer Term 1	BANK HOLIDAY Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025 Children not in school	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	23
Summer Half Term Holiday		Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	
Summer Term 2	INSET DAYS Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> July 2025 Children not in school	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	35
<b>Total Days</b>				<b>190</b>

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025.*