



10th September 2021

Holden Clough Newsletter

This week in 1JS

Stars of the Week

Oba & Lucy	1JS
Ahmed & Eliza	1KH
Iris & Amaalia	2SJ
Isaac & Leo	2GG
Aarav & Gracie	3JC
Zaibah & Ammaar	3GE
Mason & Aishah	4SP
Ruqayah & Amna	4DL
Aisha & Hashir	5DP
Thierry & Hifza	5CH
Saif & Anastasia	6AP
Abda & Nievee	6AH



1JS have settled into Year 1 really well. On Monday we had news that something strange had been found in the forest so we went to investigate, this sparked discussion of who it might have belonged to. Later we found out that it belonged to Little Red Reading Hood, which is the text we will be working around this half term.

A big well done to all children.

Dates to remember

- Friday 8th October—Year 5 residential trip to Robinwood
- Thursday 14th October—Year 3 trip to the Whitworth Gallery.
- Monday 18th October—Nasal Flu Vaccinations.
- Friday 22nd October—finish for Half Term.

Nasal Flu Vaccination

This year IntraHealth will again be offering the nasal flu vaccine to all children in years Reception to Year 6.

The date for the vaccine is Monday 18th October.

Please follow the link below to either register for or decline the vaccine.

<https://www.nhs.uk/flu/information?id=106216&Type=FLU>

Please note that the link will close on 22nd September 2021. If you have any questions or queries please don't hesitate to get in touch with IntraHealth on 0333 358 3397.

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 or after school activities. 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 and check your eligibility.

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.

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

School Spider



Holden Clough is a paperless school and we try, where possible, to communicate with our parents and carers via email and smartphone messages sent through our website.

The website also comes with an app called School Spider which can be downloaded on to any smartphone from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store which makes keeping in touch even easier.

Once logged into the app you will receive notifications, emails and smartphone messages when information has been shared with you from school, you will also be able to see our most recent news, gallery and calendar events. Without the app, notifications and smartphone messages cannot be sent to you, so please ensure you download the app to your phone.

Parents evening appointments are also arranged via the website and app so please make sure that you activate your account ready for when we set up the next parents evening.

So, if you haven't done so already, download the School Spider App and request a password reset (as if you have forgotten your password) to get started.

You will then receive an email giving you a username (usernames are not email addresses). You will then create a password and be able to log in to the school website and the School Spider app.

Class Dojo

As well as letters, emails and smartphone messages we also use ClassDojo. ClassDojo is a school communication platform that teachers, pupils and families use every day to share what is being learned in the classroom through photos,

video and messages. We politely request that ClassDojo is not used to report absence, changes in circumstances or make general enquiries. These should all be directed to the school office.

