



19th September 2025

Holden Clough Newsletter

This week in 5DL

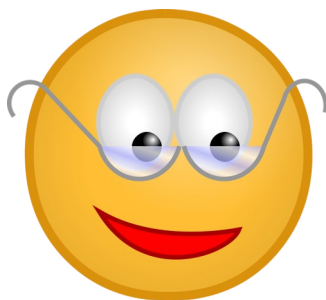


5DL have had an amazing week! A highlight being at forest school, filled with teamwork, laughter, and creativity. Working together, the children gathered sticks, branches, and leaves to build their very own dens, experimenting with different shapes and designs. Some made tall, triangular shelters, while others created cosy hideouts tucked between the trees. They tested how strong their dens were, adding extra layers for warmth and stability. The forest buzzed with excitement as the children shared ideas, helped one another, and proudly showed off their creations. It was a day of fun, adventure, and learning in nature's classroom.

What's happening

Stars of the Week

Aayah & Aiyla	1DH
Maliha & Sulaiman	2CQ
Florence & Isaac	3CH
Emilia & Ivy	3/4G
Ruqaiyah & Zayyaan	4GE
Duwa & Lucy	5DL
Emelia & Rayyan	5WB
Vihan & Zahra	6AH
Lewis & Oscar	6JH



Dates to remember

- 24.09.25 - Flu vaccinations
- 13.10.25 - Individual photographs
- 20.10.25 - Year 5 three day residential to Robinwood
- 24.10.25 - School closes for Half Term
- 03.10.25 - School opens for Autumn Term 2
- 12.11.25 - Parents evening

Mr Porters VIP's

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

- ☆ 1DH Inaya
- ☆ 2CQ Charlie S
- ☆ 3CH Brooke
- ☆ 3/4GG Jayden
- ☆ 4GE Amira
- ☆ 5DL Jada
- ☆ 5WB Waleed
- ☆ 6AH Hibbah
- ☆ 6JH Aizah



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.victoriousmat.org

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.



Attendance

Please see below the winners for week commencing 8th September 2025

1st - 3/4GG 99.35%

2nd - 5WB 98.93%

3rd - 2CQ 98.67%



Attendance

Did you know that
in **one school year...**

Honeyguide

If your child is late
every day by...



5
minutes



10
minutes



15
minutes



20
minutes

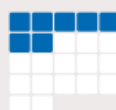


30
minutes

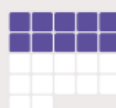
Your child would have
lost approximately...



3.5
days from
school



7
days from
school



10
days from
school



14.5
days from
school



22
days from
school



Friends of Holden Clough - PTA

Welcome

Wednesday 15th October
18:30 - 19:00
Holden Clough Primary School

You are invited to our PTA Annual General Meeting.

This is your opportunity to meet the PTA, discover our role in school fundraising, find out our plans ahead for the coming year, and learn about opportunities to join us.



Friends Of Holden Clough
RAISING FUNDS WHILST HAVING FUN!



Victorious
Academies Trust
Success in education

THE GREAT BIG RAFFLE

SUPPORT OUR PUPIL WELLBEING CELEBRATION!



TICKETS: £1 EACH

AVAILABLE VIA ARBOR

Deadline: Friday 17th October 2025

Draw Date: Friday 24th October 2025

Winners selected by random name generator.



Prizes Include:

- £100 Supermarket Voucher
- Gym Memberships
- Pottery & Beauty Vouchers
- Indian Head Massage
- Meditation Sound Baths
- Angelic Reiki
- Children's Holiday Club Place
- Kitchen Appliances
- Amazon & Hickory's Smokehouse Vouchers
- ...and many more!

Every ticket sold helps fund a Wellbeing Celebration for pupils across our Trust schools.

Your support makes a real difference — thank you!

See full details and T&Cs at: www.victoriousacademies.org/raffle

Don't miss out...

...on a school place for your child

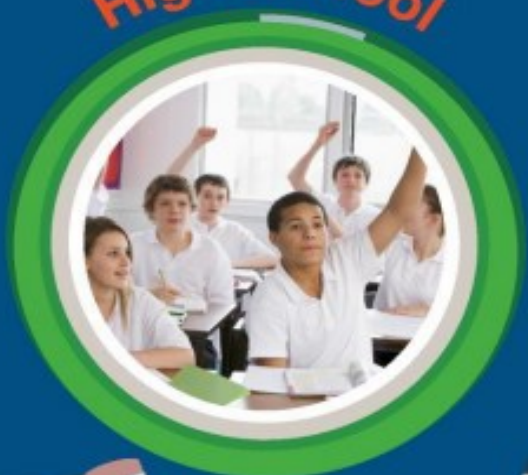
Primary School



If your child will be 4 before 1 September 2022

- 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
- The online application facility will open for new Reception applications **early November 2021**.
- The closing date for Primary School applications is **15 January 2022**.
- Any application received after 15 January 2022 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 2022

- 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 at www.tameside.gov.uk
- The online application facility will open for new Year 7 applications **early September 2021**.
- The closing date for High School applications is **31 October 2021**.
- Any application received after 31 October 2021 will be dealt with as a 'LATE' application and considered after those received on time.



Term Dates 2025-2026



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Term and Holiday Dates for Academic Year 2025/2026 Tameside Academies

Term / Holiday		First Day	Last Day	No of Days
Autumn Term 1	INSET DAYS Tuesday 2 nd and Wednesday 3 rd September 2025 - Children not in school	Thursday 4 th September 2025	Friday 24 th October 2025	37
Autumn Half Term Holiday		Monday 27 th October 2025	Friday 31 st October 2025	
Autumn Term 2		Monday 3 rd November 2025	Friday 19 th December 2025	35
Christmas Holiday		Monday 22 nd December 2025	Friday 2 nd January 2026	
Spring Term 1	INSET DAY Monday 5 th January 2026 Children not in school	Tuesday 6 th January 2026	Friday 13 th February 2026	29
Spring Half term Holiday		Monday 16 th February 2026	Friday 20 th February 2026	
Spring Term 2		Monday 23 rd February 2026	Friday 27 th March 2026	25
Easter Holiday		Monday 30 th March 2026	Friday 10 th April 2026	
Summer Term 1	BANK HOLIDAY Monday 4 th May 2026 Children not in school	Monday 13 th April 2026	Friday 22 nd May 2026	29
Summer Half Term Holiday		Monday 25 th May 2026	Friday 5 th June 2026	
Summer Term 2	INSET DAYS Monday 27 th and Tuesday 28 th July 2026 Children not in school	Monday 8 th June 2026	Friday 24 th July 2026	35
Total Days				190

Pupils are required to be in school for 190 days per academic year.

Proposed first day of the academic year 2026/2027 will be Tuesday 1st September 2026, proposed pupil start date Thursday 3rd September 2026.