

28th November 2025

Holden Clough Newsletter

This week in 3/4GG



We have had an electric time in Year 3/4GG this week. We have been practicing our gymnastic skills where we have been looking at balances and transitions. This will be building up to a set of movements accompanied by music.

We have also been looking at creating circuits in both science and D/T. We have been ensuring that we understand all the components of creating a circuit. IN D/T we have been designing our own torches and we will be creating these over the next few weeks.

What's happening

Stars of the Week				
Ayaan & Sahim	Rec			
Anabia & Varni	1DH			
Charlie C & Harry	2CQ			
Hashim & Samuel	зсн			
Oscar & Stella	3/4GG			
Kolton & Lola	4GE			
Amaya & Duwa	5DL			
Alice & Elijah	5WB			
Adam & Eesa	6АН			
Oscar & Salih	6ЈН			



Dates to remember

- 05.12.25 PTA Christmas Fair
- **11.12.25** Christmas Jumper Day
- 11.12.25 Christmas Dinner
- 12.12.25 KS1 trip to see Cinderella Pantomime
- 19.12.25 School closes for Christmas Holidays
- 05.01.26 INSET Day School closed for children
- 06.01.26 School opens for Spring Term 1
- 19.01.26 3/4GG & 4GE trip to Chester

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:

☆2CQ Elijah

☆3CH Mustafa

☆3/4GG Emily

☆4GE Maya

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☆5WB Sanika

☆6AH Aaliyah

☆6JH Muntaha





🛕 Christmas Dinner – Thursday 11th December 🛕



On Thursday 11th December we will be having our Christmas Dinner. It is also Christmas Jumper Day!

Main Choices

- Roast turkey with a pork chipolata sausage and gravy (Red)
- Roast Halal turkey with a Halal chicken sausage and gravy (Blue)
- Vegan sausage with vegan gravy (Green)
- Ham roll (Purple)
- Jacket potato with a choice of filling (Yellow)



- Roast potatoes
- Mashed potatoes
- Stuffing, carrots, peas and sprouts



- Chocolate fudge cake
- *Iced shortbread biscuit
- Choc ice
- Minced pie

Meal Selection via Arbor

All options are available to choose in Arbor and will replace the standard meal choices for that day. If you've already selected a meal for Thursday 11th December, it will have automatically updated to reflect the new menu. Please check and amend your selection if needed.

- To Change Your Meal Selection
- Go to the meal you wish to change.
- Open the drop-down menu and select NO CHOICE SELECTED, then click Proceed.
- Reopen the drop-down menu, select your new meal, and click Proceed again. Your changes will now be saved.

Payment Information

Please ensure your Arbor account has a minimum credit of £2.95 if your child is in Years 3, 4, 5 or 6 and you wish to order a meal. No payment is required for children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2, or those eligible for Pupil Premium benefit-related school meals.



If your child will be bringing a packed lunch from home, please kindly select Packed Lunch from Home in Arbor.



🛕 Christmas Concerts and EYFS Nativity – Dates, Times & Ticket Information 🛕



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to invite you to our Christmas concerts this December! Each year group has been working hard to prepare a festive performance, and we can't wait to share their efforts with you.

Please find below the schedule for each performance:



Monday 15th December – Year 1 & Year 2

(r) Time: 2:30 PM

Tickets: 2 per family

🛕 Tuesday 16th December – Year 3 & Year 4

Due to capacity, there will be two showings:

 Morning Performance: 9:30 AM Afternoon Performance: 2:30 PM

Tickets: 2 per family (choose one showing)

🛕 Wednesday 17th December – EYFS (Nursery & Reception)

(1) Time: 9:30 AM

Tickets: 2 per family

🛕 Thursday 18th December – Year 5 & Year 6 Due to capacity, there will be two showings:

Morning Performance: 9:30 AM

Afternoon Performance: 2:30 PM

Tickets: 2 per family (choose one showing)

We kindly ask that you stick to the ticket limit to ensure all families can attend comfortably.

Tickets will be available for purchase from the School Shop in Arbor from 6pm on Monday 1st December.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to celebrating the festive season with you!

Warm regards,

Miss Joanne Hartley



Reporting Absence

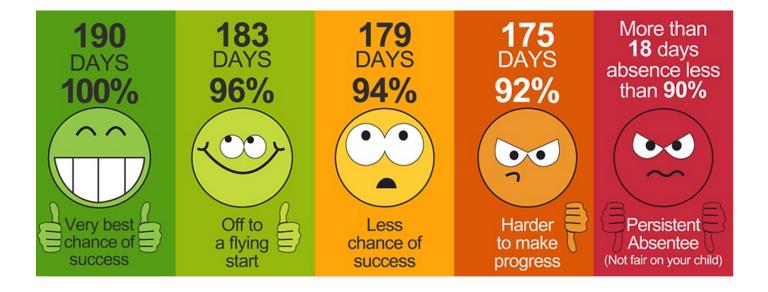
If your child is absent from school please ensure you report their absence to the school office as soon as possible on the first day and each day thereafter detailing the reason for their absence.

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 10th November 2025

1st - 3/4GG 98.42%

2nd - 6JH 97.88%

3rd - 2CQ 97.02%



Term Dates 2025-2026



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

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Term /		First Day	Last Day	No of		
Holiday		- Instabay	Edot Day	Days		
Autumn Term 1	INSET DAYS Tuesday 2 nd and Wednesday 3 rd September 2025 - Children not in school	Thursday 4th September 2025	Friday 24 th October 2025	37		
Autumn Half Term Holiday		Monday 27 th October 2025	Friday 31st 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 2025			
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 20th February 2026			
Spring Term 2		Monday 23 rd February 2026	Friday 27th 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						
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.

Term Dates 2026-2027



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Term and Holiday Dates for Academic Year 2026/2027

Tameside Schools (January Inset)

Term / Holiday		First Day	Last Day	No of Days
Autumn Term 1	INSET DAYS Wednesday 2 nd and Thursday 3 rd September 2026 (Children not in school)	Friday 4 th September 2026	Friday 23 rd October 2026	36
Autumn Half Term Holiday		Monday 26 th October 2026	Friday 30 th October 2026	
Autumn Term 2		Monday 2 nd November 2026	Friday 18 th December 2026	35
Christmas Holiday		Monday 21st December 2026	Friday 1st January 2027	
Spring Term 1	INSET DAY Monday 4 th January 2027 (Children not in school)	Tuesday 5 th January 2027	Friday 12 th February 2027	29
Spring Half term Holiday		Monday 15 th February 2027	Friday 19 th February 2027	
Spring Term 2		Monday 22 nd February 2027	Thursday 25 th March 2027	24
Easter Holiday		Friday 26 th March 2027	Friday 9 th April 2027	
Summer Term 1	BANK HOLIDAY Monday 3 rd May 2027 (Children not in school)	Monday 12 th April 2027	Friday 28 th May 2027	34
Summer Half Term Holiday		Monday 31 st May 2027	Friday 11 th June 2027	
Summer Term 2	INSET DAYS Wednesday 28 th and Thursday 29 th July 2027 (Children not in school)	Monday 14 th June 2027	Tuesday 27 th July 2027	32
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