



20th March 2026

Holden Clough Newsletter

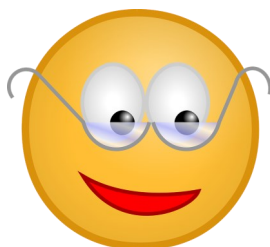
This week in 6AH



Year 6 had a great science lesson whereby they made blood with household materials - this allowed us to fully understand the different components of blood and its function!

What's happening

| Stars of the Week | |
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| Charlie & William | Rec |
| Daisy & Varni | 1DH |
| Charlie C & Lucy | 2CQ |
| Nikhil & Zakaria | 3CH |
| Leon & Penny | 3/4GG |
| Arhum & Maryam | 4GE |
| Emma & Micah | 5DL |
| Alice & Heidi | 5WB |
| Isaac & Lulu | 6AH |
| Chris & Tahlia | 6JH |



Dates to remember

- 27.03.26 - Deadline for completion of London payment plan (Year 6)
- 27.03.26 - School closes for Easter Holidays
- 13.04.26 - School opens for Summer Term 1
- 15.04.26 - Class photographs
- 24.04.26 - 3CH trip to Manchester Museum
- 29.04.26 - Parents Evening
- 08.05.26 - 2CQ trip to Formby Beach
- 18.05.06 - Year 6 Residential trip to London
- 22.05.06 - School closes for Half Term Holiday
- 08.06.26 - School opens for Summer Term 2

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 Jacob
- ☆ 2CQ Charlie S
- ☆ 3CH Daniel
- ☆ 3/4GG Stella
- ☆ 4GE Ava
- ☆ 5DL Zakariyya
- ☆ 5WB Maham
- ☆ 6AH George
- ☆ 6JH Adam





Decorated Easter Egg Competition

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:

- Decorate a hard-boiled egg at home in any style you like – be as creative as possible!
- Make sure the egg is hard boiled before decorating.
- Bring into school on Wednesday 25th March ready for judging.

We've had amazing entries in the past and I'm sure we won't be disappointed this year. Entries will be judged on creativity, effort and originality. There will be prizes awarded to each year group.

Good luck and have fun designing!!



Reporting Absence

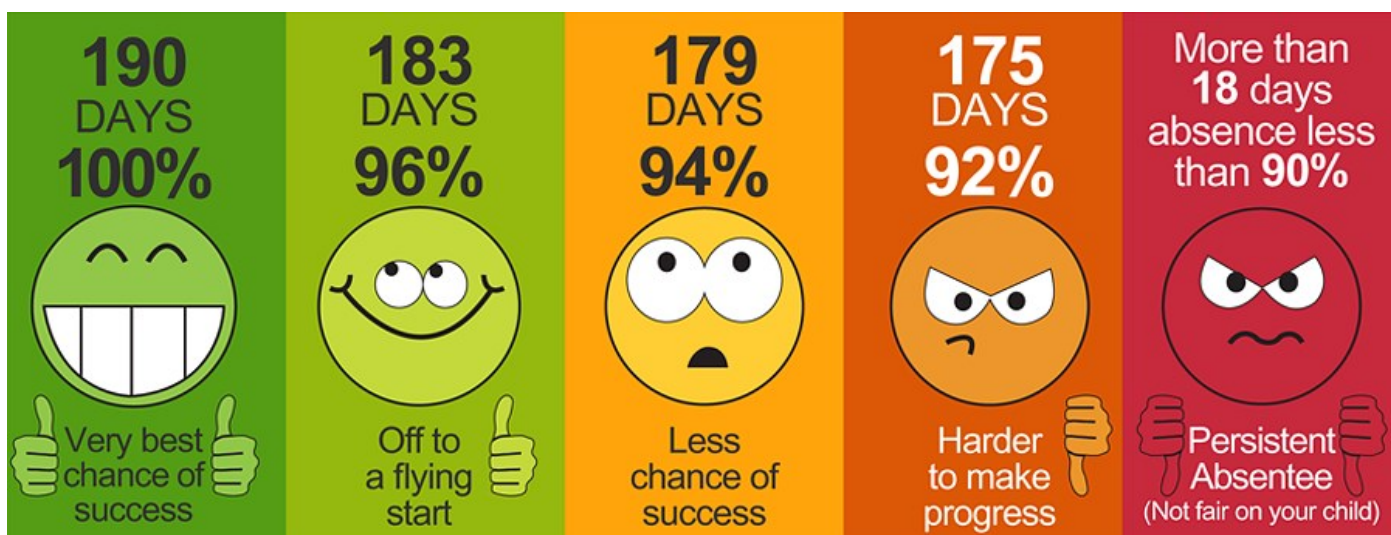
If your child is absent from school please ensure you report their absence to the school office as soon as possible on the **first day and each day thereafter detailing the reason for their absence.**

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 9th March 2026

1st - 3/4GG 100%

2nd - 4GE & 6AH 99.6%

3rd - Reception & 2CQ 99%



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.

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 21 st December 2026 | Friday 1 st 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 |
| Total Days | | | | 190 |
| Pupils are required to be in school for 190 days per academic year. | | | | |