

Reminders & Updates

Star of the Week Assembly: The assembly will take place at **2.45pm on Friday 28th February** due to our termly coffee and cake morning being held that day. The coffee and cake morning will take place 9am until 10.30am on this day — All are welcome. Please can we ask that cake donations are sent in when we return after the half term to help with our coffee and cake morning,

Message from Mrs Quinn



I can't quite believe that another half term is complete! The children have been working extremely hard since we returned and I am very proud of them.

It was lovely to see so many children at our Spring Ball last night. A huge thanks goes to Friends Of Buckton Vale for all their support to ensure that this event took place. Thank you to all the staff and parents that helped out during the evening and a special thank you to Mrs McWiggan for being an amazing host! Once we have a total amount raised, I will let you know.

Please don't forget that it is our coffee and cake morning on the Friday that we return. Any cake donations would be greatly appreciated and it would be wonderful if you could come and join us. As before, your child will be able to join you in the hall for a cake.

Hope you have a wonderful half term!

Mrs Quinn

Important Dates & Upcoming Events

February 2025

Monday 24th February School reopens 8.30am
Friday 28th February Coffee & Cake morning (9am-10.30am)
(Any cake donations can be passed to the Office from Wednesday 26th February)

March 2025

Thursday 6th March World Book Day—see letter emailed earlier today
W/c Monday 10th March Whole School Science Week
Friday 14th March Comic Relief Day—*wear something Red*
Wednesday 19th March EYFS & KS1 Parents Evening 2-7pm
Thursday 20th March KS2 Parents Evening 2-7pm
Friday 21st March Non Uniform—Neurodiversity Celebration Day

April 2025

Friday 4th April Special Achievers Assembly 9am
Friday 4th April School finishes for Easter Holidays
Tuesday 22nd April School re-opens 8.30am
Mon 29th & Tues 30th April Bikeability for Year 5 children

Stars of the Week



Certificates will be awarded in our assembly next **Friday 28th February at 2.45pm**. Gates open 2.40pm. We hope you can come along to join us.. This is due to our Coffee and cake morning.

Reception Acorns	Tobias I
Yr1 Holly	Sophia W
Yr2 Elm	Harrison B
Yr3 Poplar	Whole Class
Yr4 Chestnut	Whole Class
Yr5 Beech	Ava M
Yr5/6 Apple Blossom	Elise P
Yr6 Cherry Blossom	Scarlett M

Attendance

Well our Yr6 Cherry Blossom are back in the lead this week. Congratulations to you all. The only class to have no absences all week, which is amazing!

Class	% Attendance
Reception Acorns	92.86%
Year 1 Holly	94.83%
Year 2 Elm	95.67%
Year 3 Poplar	99.13%
Year 4 Chestnut	99.31%
Year 5 Beech	96%
Year 5/6 Apple Blossom	98.64%
Year 6 Cherry Blossom	100%
Whole School	96.95%

Merit of the Week

As part of our new behaviour system, children can now earn Merits for showing the 3 R's (Respectable, Responsible and Ready to Learn) around school. We draw the winners out during our Friday assembly. Trophy's need to be returned by the following Friday.

Congratulations to today's winners who are:-

EYFS/Key Stage 1 Winner	Ronnie L
Key Stage 2 Winner	Yeva L

Wow Work of the Week

Parents are invited to attend our assembly on **Friday 28th February at 2.45pm** so that they can see their child's work. We hope you can come along to join us

Reception Acorns	Jacob W
Yr1 Holly	Amalia J
Yr2 Elm	Harper L
Yr3 Poplar	Chase H
Yr4 Chestnut	Elisabeth McM
Yr5 Beech	Charli T
Yr5/6 Apple Blossom	Reuben W
Yr6 Cherry Blossom	Jack L

SONGS & SMILES

Spreading JOY at care homes in Greater Manchester

All-ages singsong and intergenerational friendship group, designed for children aged 0-4, their grownups and older people living in care homes/assisted living schemes.
Mondays 10am - Tottington Wednesdays 11am - Altrincham
Thursdays 11am - Stalybridge
Fridays 11am - Stockport Fridays 11am - Dukinfield

We sing, move, play, make friends and have lots of fun!

FREE/donate-what-you-can weekly sessions, booked termly.

To book visit:
www.thetogetherproject.org.uk/songs-and-smiles



If you want to spread JOY and reduce loneliness come and join the party!



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Out of School Activities



The Cloak of Spells

Monday 17 February
10.00am-3.30pm
Ashton Library

Free drop in craft activity
All ages welcome!

Join local artists Aimee and Tom at Ashton Library and help to create 'The Cloak of Spells'. The cloak is made up of individual patches of fabric, each telling a story about a 'magic' person.

Choose a person from your life who makes things more magical, then write, draw, and decorate your very own patch to add to the cloak.

Before you go, learn how to cast a spell to send a bit of magic back to your special person.



STORY TIME

To celebrate International Mother Language Day come and take part in some Dual-Language stories with us.

Ashton Library
Friday 21st February 3-3:30pm

All welcome but especially aimed at multi-lingual families with children aged up to 7. No need to book.



Tameside Libraries

Join us for a session of crafts, games and treasure hunting
Free, no need to book

FAIRY TALE CRAFTS

Ages 4-11

HYDE
Monday 17 February Half Term
10:30-11:30

MOSSLEY
Friday 21
10:30-11:30

STALYBRIDGE
Wednesday 19
2:00-3:00

HATTERSLEY
Thursday 20
2:00-3:00

Information: direct@tameside.gov.uk 0161 275 4000

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Term Dates 2024-2025

Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2025—Children return Monday 24th February
 Monday 7th April 2025 to Monday 21st April 2025—Children Return Tuesday 22nd April
 Monday 5th May 2025—Bank Holiday
 Monday 26th May until Friday 6th June 2025—Children return Monday 9th June
 School closes Friday 25th July 2025 for Summer*

Term Dates 2025 - 2026

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 4th 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.