



Livingstone Newsletter

3rd October 2025

Star of the Week:

Nursery: Alice

Reception: Bella

Year 1: Primrose

Year 2: Ada

Year 3: Wynter

Year 4: Evie

Year 5: Jacob

Year 6: Molly

Well done to all our stars of the week!

Clubs:

No Y1/2 multisports club next week as Mr Flint has another meeting. All other clubs are on as normal.

Year 3 Spanish day at Mossley Hollins

On Tuesday 7th October, Year 3 will be going up to Mossley Hollins for their Spanish Day as an introduction to learning Spanish. They will leave after registration and walk up to Hollins. After a morning of Spanish activities, they will have some Spanish nibbles then walk back to school. They will have their packed lunch back at school.

Individual and Sibling photo day Thursday 9th October:

Individual and sibling photos will be taken on Thursday 9th October. We will sort out sibling photos for children who are in school. If you would like to have photos taken with younger children who do not attend school, you can bring them to the school hall from 8.30am that day.

Children running along Valeside:

If you come to school or go home past the houses on Valeside, please do not allow children to run up and down outside the houses. This is people's property and garden space and is not for children to run along. The route is extremely uneven and coupled with the steps at the end of the row, it can present a danger. Please ensure children stay on the road / pavement rather than right in front of the houses. Thank you for your consideration to our neighbours.

Nasal flu paper forms:

If your child brought home a paper form for the nasal flu vaccine please return to the office as soon as possible. Even if you **don't** want your child to have it, please complete the **No** side and return. Thank you.

Year 6 applications to High School:

Year 6 applications for high school need to be done by 31st October. If you have any questions about this, please do come and ask! I sent out a link to a video by Tameside Admissions yesterday – please do have a look at this before doing your application.

Open Day for Prospective Nursery and Reception for September 2026:

Livingstone's Open Day for parents and carers looking for places for Nursery and Reception in September 2026 will be on Tuesday 11th November. If you would like to attend, please book on for a slot at either 9.30am, 1.30pm or 6pm. If you know someone who is looking for a place, please let them know about the open day!

Updating information:

If you change your phone number, email or address, please let us know in the office so that we can update our records.

School Streets:

I am sure that parents and carers will have noticed that the School Street scheme has improved safety for our children on the way to and from school. We really do need more volunteers to keep the scheme running. Can you help, even if you are only available occasionally or on one morning or one afternoon each week? There's a short training session to show you what to do, and if you need childcare Little Stones will look after your child for free for the time you are volunteering. Please let us know at school or contact the office.

Parent Governors:

We currently have vacancies for parent governors on our governing board. Our existing parent governors are happy to continue in their roles, but if other parents would like to put themselves forward, we will hold an election. As the school

will soon academise, we expect further opportunities for new governors in the future, so if you are interested in the role, either now or later, please let us know. To find out more, or for an informal chat with the Headteacher or the Chair of Governors get in touch with the office. If no one comes forward before the 10th October, the current parent governors will be re-elected unopposed.

School Dinner ordering:

Thank you for returning menu choices for dinners, these menus will now cycle around until we introduce a new ordering and payment system after October half term. Because of this please don't pay for meals too far in advance.

WOW scheme:

To encourage children (and parents!) to walk to school, we are continuing with our WOW badges. Children need to walk three times a week to receive a badge each month. This is either from home or, if they live too far away, there is the option to park and stride which still counts. For this to count, children need to have walked either from the Market Ground / St Joseph's or the train station / the Gillery. Walking from the road closure sign doesn't count! Please do talk to your child about where they have walked from and whether this counts as park and stride.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 7th October
Thursday 9th October
Tuesday 14th October
Thursday 23rd October
Friday 24th October
Tuesday 11th November

Year 3 Spanish Day – Mossley Hollins
School photos – individual and siblings
Tag Rugby Competition – Mossley Hollins
Halloween Disco (Nursery and Reception AM, Years 1&2 5-6pm, Years 3-6 6-7pm)
Last day of half-term
Livingstone School Open Day (9.30am, 1.30pm and 6pm)



Help us run our

SCHOOL STREET

LIVINGSTONE
PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL
Grow, Learn, Achieve Together

At Livingstone we have a **school street**. Every morning and afternoon the bottom of Old Brow to the school is **closed to vehicles**, making it safer for our children to walk, wheel or scoot to and from school and preventing **congestion** at the gates.

Our school street relies on **volunteers** – parents, grandparents and friends – who spend **30 minutes a week** helping to keep their kids and their friends **healthy and safe**.

Can you spare half an hour to help? you'll get **training**, there's **free childcare** at Littlestones if you're dropping off / picking up, and it's a great way to **get to know** the school and other parents and carers too!

Monday – Friday (term time only)
8.25 – 9.00 am
2.55 – 3.25 pm

ROAD CLOSED

Please speak to the school office or let your child's teacher know if you can help out. Thank you!

Your Voice

Your Community

Mossley

Cabinet in the Community

Have your say on local priorities and challenges in your town and across Tameside!

Join council leaders to share your views, shape decisions, and help decide where money goes in your area.



Thursday 9 October



6.30pm until 8.30pm



**George Lawton Hall,
Mossley**



Scan the
QR code to share
your views online

Can't make the session? Let us know your views
online at www.surveymonkey.com/r/boroughplan2030

Your voice matters. Your ideas count.

We're running Cabinet in the Community meetings, to be held this month and in October across the nine towns of Tameside, to give residents the opportunity to meet our Executive Cabinet – who have decision making responsibility for the council - as well as their local ward councillors. People attending the meetings will be able to ask questions and give their views on how they want their local town and the wider borough to develop over the next five years. They will also have the chance to feedback on how they want to be involved in future decision making.

The feedback will help to inform the Borough Plan, which will set out a vision for Tameside so that together residents, businesses, community organisations, the council and other partner organisations can continue to create a place that works for everyone where people can live improved lives. It will also help to develop a new structure for local engagement to replace the existing Neighbourhood Forums.

Anyone who can't attend the meetings can contribute their views to the Borough Plan by completing an online survey using this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/boroughplan2030>

TAMESIDE LIBRARIES

CHILDREN'S FANCY DRESS SWAP

and

STORY TIME

WE WANT YOUR COSTUMES!

Donate your pre-loved costumes to any
Tameside Library during staffed hours
before **6th October**.

Costumes must be in good, clean condition.
(Donors receive an extra clothes swap token).

11 October

Pick up a costume **10am - 12pm**

Stories and craft **11am - 11:30am**

Dukinfield Library
Concord Way, Dukinfield, SK16 4DB

For more info contact:

information.direct@tameside.gov.uk or call 0161 342 4000





SENSORY STORY TIME

Exploring Through the Senses

SENSORY
TOUCH/SEE/SMELL/HEAR
STORY

Neuroinclusive
Libraries
Project

FOR SEND CHILDREN
AND THEIR FAMILIES

SAT 18TH OCTOBER

11-11:30AM

BOOKABLE EVENT AT
HATTERSLEY LIBRARY

Large/inclusive space
Session involves loud sounds

Book here:
[Tamesidelibraries.eventbrite.co.uk](https://tamesidelibraries.eventbrite.co.uk)

information.direct@tameside.gov.uk
0161 342 4000

TAMESIDE
LIBRARIES



There are lots of interesting things to see and do as you walk, wheel or scoot to school. How many of these activities can you tick off on your Autumn Street Safari?

Find a pretty feather <input type="checkbox"/>	Spot a bird and draw it <input type="checkbox"/>	Make art using fallen leaves <input type="checkbox"/>	Hug a big tree <input type="checkbox"/>
Look under a rock - who lives there? <input type="checkbox"/>	Find a red leaf <input type="checkbox"/>	Make up a scary story <input type="checkbox"/>	Juggle with pinecones <input type="checkbox"/>
Jump over a puddle <input type="checkbox"/>	Pretend to be a squirrel asleep for the winter <input type="checkbox"/>	Learn why leaves change colour <input type="checkbox"/>	Spot a zebra crossing <input type="checkbox"/>
Say hello to a neighbour <input type="checkbox"/>	Dance around a mushroom <input type="checkbox"/>	Close your eyes and listen - what do you hear? <input type="checkbox"/>	Stamp on a pile of leaves <input type="checkbox"/>



AUTUMN FAMILY WALKING ACTIVITIES



Going for a walk is a great way to explore your local area and have fun with your friends and family. Notice what you can smell, feel, hear and see as you walk in a local park or green space - it might surprise you!

Did you discover a sticky mushroom or make an autumn mandala? We'd love to see your autumn finds! Your parents or carers can share your photos and videos on social media using the hashtag #AutumnStreetSafari

WHY NOT TRY...



Write a poem or story about a raindrop's journey down the street.



Use the items you collect on your walks to create an autumn nature mandala.



Make a hedgehog house from an upturned plastic box filled with dry leaves.

PARENTS AND CARERS - WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Share a memory from your Autumn Street Safari for a chance to win a Shoezone shopping voucher worth £25 in our prize draw!

FIND OUT MORE BY SCANNING
THE QR CODE OR VISITING
[LIVINGSTREETS.ORG.UK/AUTUMN](https://livingstreets.org.uk/autumn)



shoezone



SNC October Netball Camp

29TH OCTOBER, 2025

09:00 - 14:00

Saddleshworth School

Diggle, OL3 5NU

£20 per day for Members

£25 per day for non-Members

ALL ABILITIES WELCOME



Open to players of all ability, years 2 to 8 (inc.)

Whether you are new to netball & want to learn new skills, or you already play & want to develop your attacking or defending skills, learn strategy & develop game tactics, then this camp is for you

The camp will be delivered by our very own Sheila Ryan, Val McEvoy and Becky Smith, former Nationals Winning coach at Bury

**TO BOOK, WHATSAPP SHEILA ON
07985 625104**



Family Engagement Project



**Support for
parents and carers
of children
aged 0-6 with
Special Educational
Needs and Disabilities
or emerging needs in
Tameside**

Peer support
groups

Information
sessions

Friendly
online
community

SEND
stay & play
groups

1-1 support
and
signposting

No need to
book
Free for all



Scan the QR code to register with the project.

For further information visit our Facebook page - Mencap Family Engagement Project Tameside or email us at:
familyengagementtm@mencap.org.uk



MENCAP FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PROJECT

OCTOBER 2025 EVENTS DIARY

WEDS 1ST OCT	SEND Parent/Carer Coffee Morning @ The Together Centre, Dukinfield, 287 Birch Lane, SK16 5AU 10.00-11.30am
THURS 2ND OCT	0-6 SEND Nature Explorers @ Leap Allotments, Community Green allotments, Meadow Lane, Dukinfield, SK16 4AN 10.00-11.30am
TUES 14TH OCT	0-6 SEND Stay and Play @ North Family Hub, Ashton, OL7 0LL 10.00-11.30am
THURS 16TH OCT	0-6 SEND Nature Explorers @ Leap Allotments, Community Green allotments, Meadow Lane, Dukinfield, SK16 4AN 10.00-11.30am
WEDS 22ND OCT	Education Health Care Plan Information session @ Online - contact familyengagementgm@mencap.org.uk to book 10.00am - 11.00am
TUES 28TH OCT	0-6 SEND Stay and Play @ North Family Hub, Ashton, OL7 0LL 10.00-11.30am
THURS 30TH OCT	0-6 SEND Nature Explorers @ Leap Allotments, Community Green allotments, Meadow Lane, Dukinfield, SK16 4AN 10.00-11.30am



The Mencap Family Engagement Project supports families of children 0-6 with Special Educational needs and disabilities or emerging needs living in Tameside. Scan the QR code to register with the project and access our sessions for free. For further information visit our Facebook page or email us at: familyengagementgm@mencap.org.uk



LEAP

GROWING BETTER FUTURES

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Family Engagement
Project



COMMUNITY
FUND

NATURE EXPLORERS

Join us for our fortnightly outdoor
stay and play group for children
with Special Educational Needs &
Disabilities or emerging needs aged
0-6 and their caregivers.

Safe
enclosed
space

Inclusive
free play

Parent
peer
support

This month's sessions:

**2nd October, 16th October,
30th October**

10.00am - 11.30am

Community Green Allotment
Meadow Lane, Dukinfield, SK16 4AN

Explore
outdoors
and nature



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For further information visit our Facebook page -
Family Engagement Project Tameside or email us at:
familyengagementgm@mencap.org.uk

The Mencap logo, featuring the word 'mencap' in white lowercase letters inside a purple speech bubble shape.

**Family Engagement
Project**



SEND STAY AND PLAY



Come and join us at our stay and play group for little ones with Special Educational Needs or emerging needs aged 0-6 and their parents/caregivers.

Talk to our friendly Family Connectors and meet other parents whilst your child has fun playing in a relaxed and inclusive setting.

**This month's sessions:
14th October and 28th October
10.00am - 11.30am**

North Family Hub Ashton,
St Peter's Centre, Trafalgar Square, OL7 0LL



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