



Dear Families,

This half term has flown by, especially with all the bank holidays. Despite the shorter time, our Discovery Crew have packed in lots of exciting learning and memorable moments—we've loved sharing many of them with you.

As we head into our final half term of the school year, I wanted to remind you about our early transition process. Children will move to their new classes two weeks before we break up for the summer. The week before this, we'll hold a **'Meet the Teacher' evening** so you can get to know your child's new class team. Then, on the **first Thursday back**, we'll have a **parents' evening** where you can talk with your child's current class teacher about their progress.



You'll find all the key dates on our website in the **'Our Families'** section.

I want to give a special thank you to our amazing **Friends of Discovery Academy (FDAS)** group. This group of supportive families works together to fundraise and make a real difference in our school community. Their recent jumble sale raised over **£1000**—an incredible effort! Thank you to everyone who donated, volunteered, or came along.

The money raised is going towards creating a **sensory garden**, where children can grow their own food and enjoy a calm, relaxing space. Looking ahead, the next FDAS event is a **car boot sale with craft stalls** on **12th July** in the school hall. If you'd like to get involved, join the group, or offer a helping hand—even for an hour or two—please speak to Mrs Higgins or email: friendsdas@icloud.com Wishing you all a lovely, restful half term. We look forward to seeing you in our final weeks of the year!



Discovery Futures & Upper School exams

This half term our Upper School students took some big steps towards their bright futures! Many of you joined us for the wonderful Discovery Futures careers fair where you met with providers from all over the region. It was wonderful to see so many of you talking to professionals about your hopes and dreams.

Students then went on to sit mock exams in English, Maths and Science and went on to get fantastic results.

Look out for your destination letters. We are so proud of you!



Cleethorpes

At the start of the term, L4 and L5 took a trip to Cleethorpes to kick off our Coastlines topic. Despite the rain, we had lots of fun building sandcastles and visiting a fish and chip restaurant, where everybody tried some chips! We are proud of everyone for being sensible on one of our longest journeys yet, and for having lots of laughs whatever the weather.



Be kind

We have been asked to respectfully remind you that staff including visiting professionals should always be treated with respect and any abuse towards them will be taken seriously by the school. Our staff and visiting professionals should be free to come to work without the fear or threats, violence or aggression. Recently there has been some unacceptable incidents that we cannot tolerate in the work place.



Key dates for the diary -Summer Term 2

- Thursday 5th of June, Eid Al-Adha Party
- Thursday 19th of June, Sports Day
- Monday 23rd of June, RSE day
- Friday 27th of June, Pride disco celebrations
- Wednesday 2nd of July, TT rockstars
- Friday 4th of July: Discovery's got Talent, 2pm
- Saturday 12th of July: FDAS Car Boot Sale
- Thursday 10th of July: 'Meet the teacher' evening, 4-6pm
- Monday 14th of July: Students begin transition into new classes.



L3's trip to Canon Hall Farm

On Friday 9th May, our class embarked on an exciting journey to Cannon Hall Farm. The day was filled with learning, laughter, and unforgettable experiences as we explored the workings of a real-life farm.

Upon arrival, we were warmly greeted by our tour guide, who led us through and showed us to our cabin where we had a quick snack before heading out to see the animals. First event that we went to see was the sheep racing. The children eagerly cheered for their chosen sheep 'Lamborghini', who luckily came out on top. The excitement was palpable as the sheep dashed towards the finish line, making it a memorable experience for all.

The students were thrilled to meet a wide array of animals, including pigs, sheep, goats, alpacas and highland cows. They even had the chance to see some more unusual animals such as meerkats, mongoose, ferrets and reptiles. Of course, it wouldn't be L3 without the laughs and we had great laughter at the sheep who couldn't stop sneezing and when the students told Miss Jubb 'look miss it's your family' to the guinea pigs. We also had the opportunity to go on a tractor ride, this is where the students got to see the alpacas and the highland cows. A particular highlight was when a student said 'Best day ever!'.

After our animal encounters, the children enjoyed the farm's adventure playground, featuring climbing frames, slides, a tube maze, and a daring zip line. These play areas provided a perfect opportunity for the children to expend some energy and enjoy the outdoors.

The trip to Cannon Hall Farm was not only educational but also immensely enjoyable. The children gained first-hand knowledge about farm animals and their habitats, complementing our classroom lessons. Their enthusiasm and curiosity were evident throughout the day, making it a successful and enriching experience for all.



VE Day

VE Day - This year to mark the 80th anniversary of VE Day the discovery crew stepped back in time and lived through the blitz. Students made gas masks, carried out Air Raid drills using our air raid shelters and ensured that black outs were put in place and windows were blast taped. Students then had the chance with families to celebrate in an afternoon street party, which they had both prepped and decorated for. Well Done our Blitz crew



#ChangeMakers MP visit

As part of our ongoing commitment to #CrewCommitments experiences for our students. We offered them the opportunity to meet with and question our local MP Louise Haigh.

Not only this but students were offered the chance to dine with afternoon tea. 12 crew members were selected from a number of strong applications. The questions posed to Louise from these students were very good and really got to understand what life as a MP is like and what policies she believed in for our local area. Thank you for being #Changemakers through questioning a key changemaker!

Staffing updates

This term we say a fond farewell to Miss Labdi in L1 as she explores a career elsewhere. We also say a sad goodbye to Evie in reception as she moves on to new opportunities. We wish them both the very best.

We look forward to welcoming back Miss Bell into the Wellbeing Team and Miss Unwin back into the maths department later in the summer term. They have been so missed!

