



# Livingstone Newsletter

## 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024

### Star of the Week:

Nursery: Zenith

Reception: Isla

Year 1: Elsie

Year 2: Charlie

Year 3: Bea

Year 4: Jack

Year 5: Toby

Year 6: Mia

### Clubs:

Club bookings will be opened again in January.

### Applications for Reception for 2025:

The portal for applications for Reception places for September 2025 is now open. Applications can be made through following this link: <https://www.tameside.gov.uk/admissions/psa>

All children in Nursery must apply for a place in Reception. A place in Nursery does not guarantee a place in Reception.

### School Spider Messages:

In January, we will be changing over to sending messages via School Spider rather than text as it saves the school a lot of money. Please make sure you have School Spider downloaded, have registered and most importantly, have allowed notifications. If you need any help logging in please come to the office.

### Year 6 parents SATs meeting – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 6pm:

We are holding a meeting for parents and carers on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm to share details of the Year 6 SATs tests in May, what they cover, the timings and dates and how you can best prepare your child for them and support your child through the difficult week. We hope to see as many Year 6 parents there as possible.

### NHS Pharmacy First Service:

Did you know that the NHS Pharmacy First Service enables children and adults to get convenient access to healthcare advice and treatment where appropriate, for seven common conditions without the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment? Accessing the service may mean that we can help children feel better and get back to school as quickly as possible, as well as supporting parents/carers to also get better if they are unwell with one of the conditions covered under the service.

There is no need to make an appointment; parents or carers can pop into their local Boots pharmacy with their child and ask for help under the service.

Support for the following conditions can be accessed under the service, free of charge (unless NHS prescription charges apply):

<b>Common condition</b>	<b>Patient eligibility</b>
<u>Earache</u>	<u>1 to 17 years</u>
<u>Impetigo</u>	<u>1 year and over</u>
<u>Infected insect bites and stings</u>	<u>1 year and over</u>
<u>Sore throats</u>	<u>5 years and over</u>
<u>Sinusitis</u>	<u>12 years and over</u>
<u>Uncomplicated urinary tract</u>	<u>Women 16 to 64 years</u>
<u>Shingles</u>	<u>18 years and over</u>

A summary of the service is available as an [animation](#) and more information can also be found at [nhs.uk/thinkpharmacyfirst](https://www.boots.com/healthhub/a-z-services/pharmacy-first) as well as at <https://www.boots.com/healthhub/a-z-services/pharmacy-first>.

### Smartphone Free Childhood campaign:

Parents and carers might be interested in this campaign for a Smartphone free childhood.

<https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/>

### Tameside SEND Surveys:

Tameside are looking for views on SEND from parents and children themselves:

2024 SEND Parent/Carer Survey - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XVQF5ZZ>

2024 SEND Children and Young Person's Voice Survey - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XVM5MS6>

### TfGM School Travel Consultation:

People are being urged to have their say on how children and young people travel to school and college in Greater Manchester. Public consultation on Greater Manchester's School Travel Strategy runs until 26 January. The new School Travel Strategy is being developed as a shared priority between the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA), Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) and the 10 local authorities.

The ambition behind the School Travel Strategy, currently in development, is to enable more children and young people to travel to their places of education in an active and sustainable way, including via public transport modes such as bus and tram.

All feedback received will help shape the final School Travel Strategy which will be shared along with the outcomes of the consultation in the Spring next year. To have your say visit: <https://www.gmconsult.org/transport-for-greater-manchester/school-travel-strategy-consultation/>

After the diary dates, I have attached some flyers about local events. Also sent with this newsletter are some information about setting up parental controls on new devices.

We wish all our families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2025.  
Have a lovely holiday!



### Dates for your diary:

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December: End of term 3.15pm

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January: Christmas holidays

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January: INSET Training day for Staff

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January: Children return to school

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January: Y6 SATs Parents and Carers meeting 6pm

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January: Y3/4 educational visit to Magma; Year 5 workshop 'Show Racism the Red Card'

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February: Y5/6 Basketball competition MHHS

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February: Y6 Safe Squad in school

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February: Debate Society meeting at MHHS

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February: End of term 3.15pm

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February: Spring half term holiday

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February: Y6 Careers Fair at MHHS

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March: World Book Day

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March: Year 6 to Young Shakespeare production at MHHS; Y3/4 Dodgeball competition @ MHHS

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March: Science Fair for parents and carers

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March: Y5 Interschool maths challenge; Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6pm

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March: Parents' Evening 4-6.30pm

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March: Year 5 Educational Visit to Manchester Museum

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April: Year 6 Educational Visit to Portland Basin

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April: Year 3, 4 and 5 Easter Concert 2pm and 6pm

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April: End of term 3.15pm  
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# TAMESIDE LIBRARIES

## for children and families

Tameside Libraries have stories and information books for children of all ages, including board and picture books for young children, books for children learning to read independently and all types of junior and teenage fiction and non-fiction.

Children can join the library from birth! Under 16s need permission from a parent or guardian to join the library, but no other ID is necessary.

### Tameside Libraries are for everyone!



8 libraries  
 Free to join and borrow books  
 Borrow 20 items at once  
 3 week loan period with 8 renewals  
 Free access to PCs with printing facilities

Children can also download free ebooks, talking books and comics anywhere using their Tameside Library card

There's a Time for a Rhyme session for 0-4s in every library every week, plus free family activities during school holidays for 4-11s, the annual Summer Reading Challenge, Lego Club and lots more! Find out more on social media or the Tameside Libraries website.



[www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries)

Search items available in libraries: <https://tameside.spydus.co.uk>

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## Download eBooks and eAudiobooks from anywhere with your library card

Borrowbox is our fantastic free eBook and eAudiobook download service in partnership with Greater Manchester Libraries, bringing you a massive choice of bestselling eReading 24/7, 7 days a week for all ages.

- Borrow up to 6 eBooks and 6 eAudiobooks at once
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- Read or listen on iPads and tablets, phones, PCs or ereaders



Access Borrowbox at <https://tameside.borrowbox.com> or download the Borrowbox app from your app store

To use Borrowbox you need to be a member of Tameside Libraries. To join, come into any library during staffed hours to get a library card and PIN. Children need permission from a parent or guardian to join the library.

Books for all ages, including picture books and stories for early years, fiction and non-fiction books for children and teenagers. New titles are added regularly.

Accessibility is built in to Borrowbox, it's easy to change the font style, size and lighting for easy reading. Audiobooks make stories available to all the family, whether confident or reluctant readers.




**TAMESIDE LIBRARIES**

[www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries/eReading](http://www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries/eReading)

The logo for Tameside Libraries, featuring the words "TAMESIDE" and "LIBRARIES" in a stylized, colorful font. The letters are in various colors like blue, red, and yellow, and are set against a yellow circular background.An illustration of a child sitting on the floor, reading a book. The child is wearing a pink sweater and blue pants. There are several books around them, some stacked and some open. A pink squiggly line connects the child to the text below.

DUKINFIELD LIBRARY'S

# STORY TIME

An illustration of several colorful puzzle pieces (red, yellow, blue) scattered around the text.

Sit back and listen to some of our favourite stories, then take part in colouring and jigsaw puzzles.

**11AM - 11:30AM**

**DUKINFIELD LIBRARY, CONCORD WAY, SK16 4DB**

**SATURDAY 9 NOVEMBER**

**SATURDAY 7 DECEMBER  
(CHRISTMAS SPECIAL!)**

**SATURDAY 11 JANUARY**

**SATURDAY 8 FEBRUARY**

**AIMED AT 3-6 YEAR OLDS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

**Free, no need to book.**

**[information.direct@tameside.gov.uk](mailto:information.direct@tameside.gov.uk)**

**0161 342 4000**



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# SENSORY STORY TIME

Exploring through  
the senses

**SENSORY  
TOUCH/SEE/SMELL/HEAR  
STORY ALL ABOUT A  
PIRATE ADVENTURE**

for SEND children and their  
families

**SAT 11TH JAN 11 - 11:30AM**

Bookable event at Hattersley library

Book here:

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

[information.direct@tameside.gov.uk](mailto:information.direct@tameside.gov.uk)

0161 342 4000

Large/inclusive space  
Session involves loud sounds





# U7'S & U8'S PLAYERS WANTED BOYS & GIRLS



**FREE  
TASTER  
SESSIONS**

**DUKINFIELD YOUTH  
JFC**

**TRAINING MONDAY NIGHT**

**📍 ASTLEY SPORTS VILLAGE  
5.30-6.30PM**

**JOIN NOW**

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