



Discovery Special Academy Newsletter Autumn 2025

As we approach the end of this term, we are delighted to share the wonderful learning and progress made by all our pupils. It has been a fantastic few months, with pupils embracing their learning with enthusiasm and taking part in a wide range of activities. Throughout the term, pupils have also been consistently demonstrating our core values of independence, respect, resilience, and collaboration. We would also like to thank our families for their continued support - it makes an important difference and is greatly appreciated.



**National
Autistic
Society**

**Autism Specialist
Award Advanced**



We are delighted to inform you that, following our assessment with the National Autistic Society, we have been awarded Advanced Status. We are extremely proud of this recognition, which reflects the commitment of all our staff in ensuring that pupils are supported to make progress and thrive in all aspects of school life.

The staff from the National Autistic Society thoroughly enjoyed their time at the academy. They particularly commented on the quality of relationships between staff and pupils, the wide range of sensory opportunities provided, the variety of wider learning experiences, and our high aspirations for all pupils. We would also like to thank all parents who took the time to respond to the parent survey—your feedback is greatly appreciated.

A reminder that our last day of term is **Friday 19th December 2025**.

We have a PD day on Monday 5th January and pupils return for the spring term on **Tuesday 6th January 2026**.

Year 9 and 10 Jobs

Our Year 9 and 10 pupils have begun their roles within the academy with enthusiasm and dedication. They have embraced the responsibility that comes with their positions, serving as positive role models for younger pupils while carrying out essential tasks that support the smooth running of the academy. Their commitment, reliability and leadership skills have been impressive, and they are making a real contribution to our school community.



Sport and good health



Developing Independence



Community Involvement

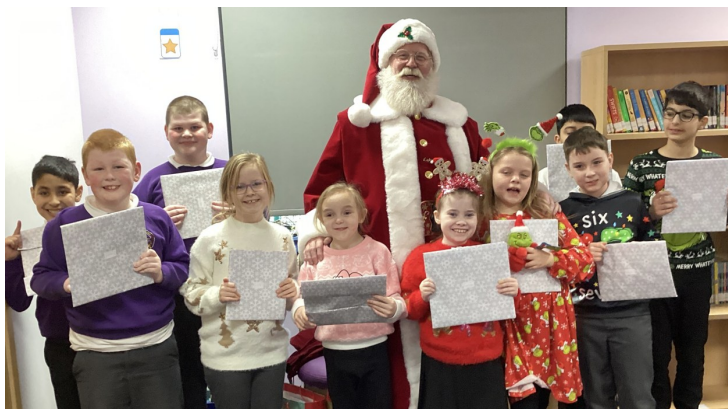


Arbor

We have now transitioned to Arbor. Please ensure you have downloaded the Arbor Parent App, which will allow you to pay for school dinners and trips. If you need any assistance with the app, please do not hesitate to contact the academy, and we will be happy to help.



We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Remember, there is lots of information on our website including more galleries, our weekly blog, all of our letters, information about the curriculum and much more.

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