



HYDESVILLE  
TOWER SCHOOL

# WEEKLY

## News in brief...

### Performer of the Week:

#### Jay Somal - Year 5

(Awarded for making such a confident start in music here at Hydesville and I hope his musicality will develop even further with us).



## A note from the Headmaster



We've celebrated Hydesville's 64<sup>th</sup> birthday today. In Year 2M assembly, the Prep children came up with what they love about the school... "H – It's a HAPPY school, Y – YUMMY food, D - DELIGHTED because the teachers are always delighted with the pupils ..." – you get the idea! The Senior School also celebrated the occasion, and cakes are never far away in the Senior School!

The goings on stunned our visitors from Cognita, as today we held Hydesville's first board meeting of the year here. Essentially these are the meetings where members of the executive team visit the school, are hugely impressed and agree to invest even more money into the school. Yesterday, I received a letter from Simon Camby, Director of Education, congratulating the school on its fabulous results last year, and his congratulations have been passed on to the staff today. As well as the GCSE results, all of our pupils from Reception to Year 8 took standardised externally marked tests in English and Mathematics. Year 6 results were particularly outstanding, but all of the groups achieved highly, reflecting the outstanding teaching across the school.

Another exciting week draws to a close!!

### Congrats to Dilke!

A big well done to Dilke House for winning last term's school sports day. As a reward the pupils enjoyed a trip to Star City in Birmingham where had an action packed day of crazy golf, ten pin bowling and laser quest. Dilke's win came purely because every single pupil in the House turned up and participated, which just goes to prove that it's not just winning that counts!



## Senior School Pupil of the Week: Benamine Pallaty – Year 9

(Awarded for his positive start to the new school year)



## Sports Person of the Week: Emily Taylor – Year 6

(awarded for improving by two levels on the Multi Stage Fitness Test and being the highest scoring girl in the school)



## Kai Lindsay-Duffy – Year 7

(awarded for achieving the best score in Year 7)



## Birthday celebrations!

Happy Birthday to us! We've celebrated our 64<sup>th</sup> birthday today, and what fun we've had



celebrating. Staff really got into the spirit by dressing in 50s style clothes, and the children enjoyed celebratory



assemblies and a yummy afternoon tea. Here's to another 64 years (and more, hopefully!).

## Arboretum Road Park & Ride service

Prep School parents who wish to use this service at the end of the school day (transporting pupils from school to the car park) are required to notify the school office to book their child's place on the bus daily. Senior School pupils are allowed to book themselves onto the service daily. If a Prep School pupil is not booked on to the bus then we do not have parental consent to take the child off site then we do not have parental consent to take the child off site and they will therefore have to be collected from school.

## Hydesville parents get appy!

As you are all aware, from time to time, we send information to parents via text message direct to mobile phones. A new smartphone app for parents is now available for download called 'School Gateway' for Apple (iPhone 3GS or later, iPad, iPod Touch) and Android (2.3 / Gingerbread or later) devices.



**Please feel free to download this new app to your phone** (it's free) as it will help us improve communication with parents – and save the school money. The set up process is simple and will take no more than a couple of minutes. Check out our website for details of how to download it:

<https://www.hydesville.com/parents/school-gateway-app/>

## Year 7's license in Science



Well done to Year 7 who all now officially have a license to use a Bunsen burner! As part of Science lessons this week they undertook training to learn how to safely set up and use the equipment. Miss Eynon reported they'd all passed with glowing colours!

# Dates coming up next week

<b>Monday</b>	Supporting your Child in English and Maths (KS3): After school clubs: Football – Upper Prep Netball – Upper Prep English intervention – Y11 STEM Club – Upper Prep GCSE French Musical Theatre - Senior
<b>Tuesday</b>	HPV Vaccinations: Y8 After school clubs: Music Theory – Prep & Senior German intervention: Y11 Film Club – Senior Spanish – Upper Prep Musical Theatre - Senior
<b>Wednesday</b>	After school clubs: Hockey – Upper Prep Gymnastics – Upper Prep Taekwondo – Prep & Senior
<b>Thursday</b>	Prep School Catwalk Show Before school clubs: ICT: Y11 (8.00 – 8.45am.)
<b>Friday</b>	Study Sensei Workshop: Y9 & Y10 Jeans for Genes Day: ALL Duke of Edinburgh Award Trip to Peak District: Y11 (until Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> ) Karate – Reception – Y6
<b>Saturday</b>	All School Open Morning: 10am – 12 noon

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