



HYDESVILLE  
TOWER SCHOOL

# WEEKLY

## News in brief...

### Performer of the Week:

#### Devina - Year 10

(awarded for an outstanding attitude and performance in this half term's GCSE music lessons).



## A note from the Headmaster



Despite being only five weeks into this academic year we are already looking ahead to next September. With great delight Miss Nijjar will be officially announcing our 2017 Senior School Scholarship Programme at next Wednesday's Information Evening. Do please come along if you are a current parent with a child in Year 5 or 6 so we can explain more about our scholarship process, which kicks off in earnest this term and leads up to two dedicated scholarship days in January. We would also like to extend our invite to this event to families with children in other schools who too are about to embark on the big decision about Senior Schools. As I'm sure you would all agree, our vibrant and flourishing Senior School is a very attractive proposition and I urge you to come along to our event next week so we can showcase even more of our successes.

Talking of opening our doors, I am also looking forward for our Nursery Open House and Stay & Play session next week. It always fills me with pride when we open our doors to show new families around our amazing school. Our wonderful pupils are always so polite, well-mannered and welcoming when we have visitors in school and I'm also excited to show prospective parents around our new and improved outdoor facilities. On this subject, next week I will be updating you on some additional work to our facilities taking place over the half term holiday. Stay tuned for more next time!

### Prep School House captains unveiled

Further to our announcement about our 2016/17 Senior School House Captains, we have also unveiled this year's Prep School House Captains. Congratulations to Year 6 pupils: Jodhvir, Kerinda, Simran, Talvin, Emily and Dilip.



## Senior School Pupil of the Week:

**Marnie – Year 10**  
(awarded for showing determination in her studies).



## Nursery Star of the Week:

**Simran** (awarded for always listening and working hard).



## Year 2 make puppets

Children in Year 2 had a special visit from Major Mustard this week, who helped them make puppets out of recycled materials.

The class spent the morning making puppets from cardboard tubes, paper plates and egg boxes. During the afternoon, they learnt how to bring their puppets to life by creating movements and voices for them. The day finished with the children watching Major Mustard perform a show using some of his own puppets.



## Teatime concert

Hydesville families enjoyed an afternoon of tea and music at this week's Teatime Concert.

The concert showcased the talent from our pupils from Year 2 to Year 10 who take part in individual instrumental music lessons in school.

Guests were wowed by the standard of performances, which included a number of solo pieces, including seven different musical instruments and some vocal displays.

This is the first teatime concert we've held this academic year and will feature during each term going forward which will undoubtedly not only please our proud parents but will also enable our children to gain further confidence when performing in front of an audience.



## Nursery's Great Nursery Bake Off!

Our Nursery children had fun today (Friday) baking lots of yummy treats in the annual Nursery Bake Off competition. A big thank you to parents and grandparents who showed their support by rolling up their sleeves, showing off their culinary skills and helping our children compete for the final show stopping creation.

Mrs Whitehouse (Hydesville's answer to Mary Berry some might say!) was overwhelmed with the vast variety of gooey cupcakes and sumptuous sponges, relishing the opportunity to be invited to judge the competition and award every child who participated with a Peppa Pig baking set. Three star bakers particularly stood out and were awarded with a 1st, 2<sup>nd</sup> and third place certificate. Well done Reuben Sidhu, Kiana Fayeye and Aleena Pervez



## Notices/reminders:

<b>Reception &amp; Nursery snack menus</b>	Reception and Nursery children will have a new snack menu from w/c 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct. See the School website for more details: <a href="https://www.hydesville.com/school-life/nutrition/">https://www.hydesville.com/school-life/nutrition/</a>
<b>School lunch menus – on website</b>	The lunch menus have on the school website have been updated to include the w/c dates that each menu is being served.
<b>Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Oct lunch theme day</b>	Halloween menu: Frankenstein chilli, cauldron ratatouille with witch hair pasta, cheese & bean pin wheels, swamp soup (pumpkin), chocolate crunch with creepy custard, toffee and chocolate apples, slimy snake jelly.
<b>Uniform</b>	All pupils should return back to school from half term wearing full winter uniform including hats for the girls and caps for the boys. Thank you to parents for their cooperation.
<b>Senior School Information Evening</b>	A reminder that we are holding this event at 6pm on Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October. All families in Y5 & 6 are welcome to attend. Please also feel free to bring guests from other schools.
<b>Harvest Festival donations</b>	The deadline for donating items for the Harvest Festival is Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October.
<b>PEG Meetings</b>	Next week's PEG meetings have been cancelled.
<b>School transport services</b>	Parents who wish to book their child on or make amendments to bookings on the Park & Ride or School mini-bus services must notify the School Office - either in person or via telephone - by 2.45pm on the day that the service is required. Failure to do this will mean we are unable to process the booking and parents will need to make alternative arrangements for their child at the end of the school day.

## Dates coming up next week:

<b>Monday</b>	<p>Safeside Fire Safety Training: Y7 &amp; Y8</p> <p>After school clubs -</p> <p>Football: Upper Prep</p> <p>Netball: Upper Prep</p> <p>English intervention: Y11</p> <p>STEM Club: Upper Prep</p> <p>GCSE French: Y11</p> <p>Musical Theatre: Senior</p>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<p>After school clubs -</p> <p>Music Theory: Prep &amp; Senior</p> <p>German intervention: Y11</p> <p>French Film Club: Senior</p> <p>Spanish: Upper Prep</p> <p>Musical Theatre: Senior</p>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<p>Senior School Community Fundraising</p> <p>Group visit Walsall Food Bank to deliver hampers</p> <p>Senior School Information Evening – 6pm</p> <p>After school clubs -</p> <p>Hockey: Upper Prep</p> <p>Gymnastics: Upper Prep</p> <p>Taekwondo: Prep &amp; Senior</p> <p>Year 4 Intervention</p>
<b>Thursday</b>	<p>Fire service visit and fire safety talk:</p> <p>Reception</p> <p>Theatre trip 'The Woman in Black': Y8 &amp; Y9</p> <p>Lunch theme day: Halloween (see 'notices' section for menu)</p> <p>Before school clubs -</p> <p>ICT: Y11 (8.00 – 8.45am)</p> <p>After school clubs –</p> <p>Drama: Upper Prep</p> <p>Musical Theatre: Upper Prep</p> <p>Booster Session: Y5</p> <p>GCSE History: Y11</p> <p>Football club: Senior</p>
<b>Friday</b>	<p>After school clubs -</p> <p>Karate: Reception: Y6</p> <p>Duke of Edinburgh: Y11</p>

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