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# News in brief...

## Performer of the Week:

Magdalene -Year 4

(awarded for excellent efforts and rhythms in Stomp enrichment).



# Sportsperson of the Week:

William -Year 4 (awarded for perseverance and working hard during PE).



#### A note from the Headmaster

Further to my teaser last week about additional work to our facilities taking place over the half term holiday I can now reveal more. We will be enhancing our on-site traffic management by implementing parking bays, directional arrows, a turning circle and a designated pedestrian walkway on the main School playground. We will also be installing retractable bollards to the main car park to aid with the control of access to the school site. We hope this will happen during half term, but if not then it will be our priority for the second half of this term.

Parents might have noticed the ongoing traffic calming measures creating a School Zone along Broadway North. This will culminate in the installation of timed flashing '20 zones' at appropriate times.

Hopefully all of these initiatives demonstrate the School's commitment to providing a safe environment for pupils, parents and staff and your cooperation in all of these activities is greatly appreciated.

Back to the School site, and I am also delighted that the new astroturf pitch has prompted an increase in pupils attending our after-school clubs. We are pleased to announce that also during the half term holiday we shall be installing LED floodlighting to the area to enable the continued use of the pitch into the winter.

Finally, from when we return from the half term break all After-School Clubs will be dismissed from the Nursery & Lower Prep gate, to separate pedestrians from on-site traffic movement through the main gates.

I wish all our pupils and families a lovely half term break, we look forward to welcoming children back to school on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Year 5 charity cookie sale

A big well done to a group of kind hearted pupils in Year 5 who baked and sold cookies in school to raise over £150 for Cancer Research UK.



# Senior School Pupil of the Week:

Emily – Year 10 (awarded for her 'above and beyond attitude' in Music and Art).



### Nursery Star of the Week:

**Noah** (awarded for being kind and extending his friendship to his friends).



#### Bingo and banquet

Our Bingo and Banquet social event is on November 16<sup>th</sup> in the School Hall starting at 6.15pm. Entry is free and children are welcome.

Guests are invited to bring a culinary contribution so we can enjoy a sharing supper before the bingo fun begins proper at 7.30pm. Bingo cards





social night at school on Wednesday 16th November 2016 6.15pm to 8.30pm

Eyes down look in..

are £1 each or £5 for a strip of six. Buy yours on the night. Reserve your place by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November to <a href="mailto:sarah.archer@hydesville.com">sarah.archer@hydesville.com</a>

#### Thank you for supporting Harvest!

Our kind-hearted parents and pupils have had a busy week collecting food to donate to Walsall Foodbank as part of the School's harvest festival celebrations.

Pupils in both Prep and Senior Schools contributed, and we are delighted with how generous everyone has been.



The Senior School's Community Fundraising Group packaged their items into six hampers and delivered them to the Foodbank based at The Rock Church in Walsall. Whilst our younger pupils held a special assembly, led by Miss Durrant's Year 3 class, to celebrate Harvest and to thank everyone for supporting such an important event.

#### Scholarship programme launched

We officially launched our 2017/18 Scholarship programme at this week and would like to invite current pupils in Year 6 to apply for a Scholarship for Year 7 in September 2017. We are offering up to 50% off tuition fees for Scholarships awarded in a range of subjects, including academic and non-academic subjects. The closing date for applications is Friday December 2<sup>nd</sup> and you find out more on our website:



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#### Quick round up from across the school

**Eggtastic Year 6** - we were eggstatic with our 'cracking' Year 6 scientists who have been studying Forces this half term and put their knowledge into designing and building

a parachute to safely carry an egg from the top of the Prep School building steps....we can safely say it was no yolking matter!

Safeside Fire Safety for Y7 & Y8 – Year 7 & 8 pupils learnt about fire safety



during a visit to Safeside in Birmingham. They dressed in authentic fire fighter kit and took part in simulated 'real life' incidents, including carrying out a search of a 'smoked out' darkened building to locate a rescue a 'casualty.'

### **Notices/reminders:**

Thurs Nov 10th	Italian day: spaghetti bolognaise, tomato			
lunch theme day	basil pasta, veg lasagna, garlic spinach, Italian roasted veg, olive and rosemary potatoes.			
Hydesville Chef on Twitter!	You can now follow Gareth Long, our Catering Manager, on Twitter (@Hydesville_Chef) to keep up to date with the latest photos, menus and news from the catering team.			
Uniform	From 7 <sup>th</sup> November when we return from our half term break, children will need to wear full winter uniform. This includes hats for the girls and caps for the boys in Prep school.			
Year 1 trip to Black Country Living Museum	Outstanding money for the Year 1 trip to the Black Country Living Museum on Thursday 10th November needs to be paid by Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> November.			
PE Kit	Another reminder that Y2 upwards should be now be wearing full Hydesville PE kit. Children in Years 1-6 need to purchase the school tracksuit.  Year 3-6 should be wearing shin pads and plain navy football socks for their games lessons.  Religious bangles and bracelets must be removed or covered with a sweat band for the safety of others.  Year 1 & 2 must wear predominantly white trainers for PE lessons.  School Uniform can be purchased from Crested School Wear, Unit 7 Bradford Mall, Victorian Arcade, Walsall, WS1 1RE. You can contact the store on 01922 276266.  Alternatively, you can shop online at www.crestedschoolwear.co.uk			
Bingo & Banquet event	Don't forget to confirm your attendance at the Bingo & Banquet night by Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> November. More details are on page 2 of this newsletter.			

# Dates coming up week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> November:

Monday	After school clubs -		
	Football: Upper Prep		
	Netball: Upper Prep		
	English intervention: Y11		
	STEM Club: Upper Prep		
	GCSE French: Y11		
	Musical Theatre: Senior		
Tuesday	Football match v Ormiston Academy:		
	Y6		
	Parents' Evening: Nursery		
	Fluenz Vaccine: Y1 – Y3		
	Safeside Fire Safety Training: Y9 & Y10		
	After school clubs -		
	Music Theory: Prep & Senior		
	German intervention: Y11		
	French Film Club: Senior		
	Spanish: Upper Prep		
	Netball: Senior		
Wednesday	Parents' Evening: Prep School		
·	After school clubs -		
	Hockey: Upper Prep		
	Gymnastics: Upper Prep		
	Taekwondo: Prep & Senior		
	Year 4 intervention		
	History intervention: Y11		
Thursday	Trip to Aston Villa FC: Y7 & Y8		
	Parents' evening: Y7		
	Lunch theme day:		
	Before school clubs -		
	ICT: Y11 (8.00 – 8.45am)		
	After school clubs –		
	Drama: Upper Prep		
	Musical Theatre: Upper Prep		
	Musical Theatre: Senior		
	Booster Session: Y5		
	GCSE History: Y11		
	Football club: Senior		
Friday	ACE EXAMS Workshop: Y10 & Y11		
	Remembrance Day		
	After school clubs -		
	Karate: Reception: Y6		
	Duke of Edinburgh: Y11		

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