



HYDESVILLE
TOWER SCHOOL

WEEKLY

News in brief...

Nursery Star of the Week:

Avaani (awarded for being kind and helpful).



A note from the Joint Acting Headteachers

As a leading independent school we are justifiably proud of our pupils' successes in the classroom; our recent outstanding results in the senior school league tables reaffirms our confidence in our academic achievements. As a direct consequence of our league table success we have received significant interest in our Senior School for 2017 places so we urge our current Year 6 families to secure their child's place as soon as possible. Please do come along to our Senior School Open Event next Wednesday to see our School in action. More details are on our website.

Aside from academic achievements, we are equally proud of our pupils' successes outside the classroom. Our Upper Prep choir were a credit to us all at this week's Young Voices concert. Demonstrating excellent collaboration and teamwork they came together and sang so beautifully, making us all so very proud.

We would like to encourage our families to keep us informed about any awards and achievements your children receive for activities outside of school. Our weekly celebration assemblies are a great platform for us to recognise and praise our children in a host of extra-curricular activities.

Celebrating National Storytelling Week

To commemorate National Storytelling Week Year 2 celebrated their love of reading by bringing in their



favourite stories from home along with their cuddly reading buddies. We have shared

our stories throughout the week, reading them as a class, with a friend and by ourselves. We really enjoyed listening to different stories throughout the week.



Meanwhile the Year 6 English class joined up with Year 2 to share fairy tales and tell each other stories. It was a great success and the peer support was enjoyed by both years. There were some lovely moments where the Year 6 pupils were asking questions of the Year 2 pupils to check their understanding.

Senior Pupils of the Week:

Michael, Eve, Lanais, Ella (awarded for helping out at the Hydesville Big Maths Quiz).



Felt fun for Senior pupils

Creative pupils in the Senior School have taken part in a special felt making workshop with local artist, Lisa Olsen. Year 7's lesson was last week and this Wednesday Year 8 had their turn. The class learnt about the intricate process of felt making and were able to have a go themselves, creating a lovely collection of vases and other vessels.

Hello from Qatar!

A big hello from Aayat, a former pupil in Nursery, who moved to Qatar with her family last year.

Aayat would like to say hello to all her Hydesville friends, she is having lots of fun but is missing you all!



Drums with Year 1



Year 1 have been studying Drums in their music lessons. Ryan and Jayden brought in their dhol drums and gave us a fantastic and loud demonstration. Ryan even taught Mrs Brown how to play! Jayden also brought in some tabla drums which the class got to experience playing.

Performer of the Week:

Harris – Year 9

(awarded for effort and achievement in music lessons).



Pupil achievements

A big well done to Jessica in Year 4 for winning three rosettes for her achievements in ballet, tap and freestyle dancing, Rhuben in Year 4 for reaching Grade 1 in Piano and Reuben in Nursery for achieving his Stanley 1 Award for swimming.



Notices/reminders:

Sportsperson of the Week:

Zara – Year 9

(awarded for doing well at swimming).



Nursery reminders	Parents are reminded to return reply slips for the Nursery to Reception transition events and to book appointments for Nursery parents evening on 13 th Feb.
Senior School Open Event	Pupils and parents are invited to see our Senior School in action at our Open Event on Wednesday 8 th February, from 430 – 630 pm. Also a reminder to return permission forms for pupils to help out during the event.
Christmas jumper Day	Thank you for supporting Christmas Jumper Day! We raised £197.45.
Donations of craft items	We are collecting arts and craft items for Acorns Children's Hospice in Walsall. Please bring your donations to Miss Jenkins' classroom by Friday 10 th February.
Catering Update	Chartwells, our specialist catering supplier, has unveiled a 'pupil engagement board' in the school dining room to update pupils and parents on the latest menus, photos, food of the month, events and the 'you said, we did' initiative.
Year 4's trip to Woodands	Pupils need to wear warm clothes (preferably old clothes and trainers, due to the muddy conditions), bring waterproofs and a change of footwear for indoors. Lunch will be provided but pupils will need to bring water and snacks. We will leave school at 9.15am and return for 3.30pm.
Year 6 trip to Air Space	Money for the trip is now due.
Year 1 & 2 trip to Jump Nation	Money for the trip is now due.

Dates coming up week commencing 6th February:

Monday	Senior Options Week Safer Internet Day After school clubs: English: Seniors Football: Upper Prep Netball: Upper Prep STEM Club: Upper Prep Chess Club: Upper Prep Musical Theatre: Senior
Tuesday	After school clubs: Maths: Seniors French Film Club: Seniors German Intervention: Y11 Senior Girls' Sports. Art Club: Upper Prep & Seniors Music Theory: Upper Prep & Seniors Drama: Upper Prep
Wednesday	Trip to Woodlands Adventure: Y4 Senior School Open Event: 4.30 – 6.30 pm After school clubs: Hockey: Upper Prep Intervention: Upper Prep
Thursday	Teatime concert: All School Before school clubs – ICT: Y11 (8.00am – 8.45am) After school clubs – Musical Theatre: Senior Musical Theatre: Upper Prep German intervention: Y10 History Intervention: Y11 Senior Boys' Sports. Year 5 Booster Club Study Space: Y11
Friday	Senior Community Fundraising Group visit to Acorn's Children's Hospice. Vaccinations: Y10 After school clubs: Karate: Reception - Y6 Duke of Edinburgh: Seniors

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