



HYDESVILLE
TOWER SCHOOL

WEEKLY

News in brief...

Head's commendations:



Armaan – Y1
Karam – Y2
Mayna – Y3
Mustafa – Y4
Anaiya – Y5
Fleur – Y6

Senior Pupils of the Week:

Romairo (Y7)
Rory (Y10)
Awarded for their success at One Job Challenge during Careers Week.

A note from the Headmaster

A huge thank you to the pupils, parents and staff who supported us at Saturday's Open Morning. It was a very busy occasion, illustrating the increasing strength of the school and its reputation. The responses from our visitors were very positive, with the children giving the tours and in the rooms being identified as hugely impressive. We remain committed to the best levels of education for our children, day after day, so whilst the potential interest in the school is a good thing, we will always keep the family-feel and the strong relationships within our community.

Responding to the Voice of the Parent survey remains on our agenda, and we have had many excellent conversations with people who spoke positively about our school as well as those who felt less happy about an element. Comments written and spoken about how the school has worked at increasing the safety aspects are appreciated, and there was mention of Jack who patrols the gate in the morning to avoid congestion problems at the start of the day. I am delighted to say that he will be doing similar at the end of each day after Easter, when some people's parking creates difficulties in safe access and departure. I must also ask that parents arriving in the morning are dropping off children rather than parking and waiting for a period of time: we want to make the opportunity for as many parents as possible to drop their children safely at school, rather than have the spaces filled for extended times.

Time (and space) running out, so a quick shout out to Mr Burnham's Science Fair. The projects were amazing, and the children demonstrated enthusiasm and knowledge in talking through what they had produced. Their creative designs and interesting explanations were a fitting reward for the planning that had gone in to the event.

Wishing you a lovely weekend...



Sharing our love of books

Thank you to those Reception parents who joined us this morning for our 'Reading Open Morning' on Monday.



It was such a special event and lovely to see parents and children read together and share their enjoyment of books.



Nursery Stars of the Week:

Rian – awarded for working hard and continuing to develop self-confidence

Asir – awarded for fantastic progress in all areas.



Performer of the Week:

Shriya (Y4) – awarded for stepping in to play happy birthday on the piano when Mr Walker needed to do his birthday dance! Well done!



Science Week celebrations

We celebrated British Science Week on Wednesday with a Science themed day across the School.

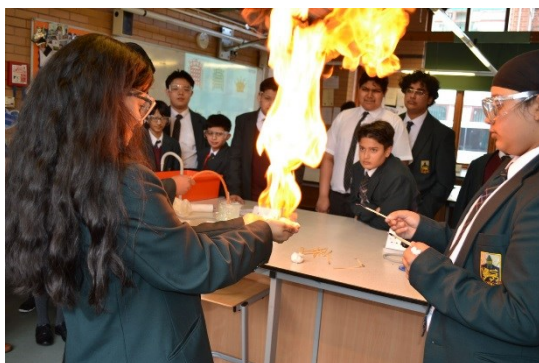
During the morning, pupils participated in a carousel of thrilling scientific investigations across the school. The afternoon was then devoted to a Science Fair. Here, pupils were invited to display their scientific interests by bringing a project created at home to share with other pupils and adults at school. The pupils had an incredible, fun-filled experience and the judges were



blown away by the sheer quality of the entries. We certainly met the scientists of the future!

Senior School have taken part in a range of events this week too, during lessons and at break times. The highlight had to be setting fire to each other and Miss Jenkins (don't be alarmed, it was all safely controlled and no one was hurt!)

See the School website for a selection



of images from the week: <https://www.hydesville.com/celebrating-british-science-week-2019/>

Red Nose Day fun

A big thank you to our Hydesville family for helping us support Comic Relief 2019. We held a lovely parent coffee morning to kick start the day.

We also swapped school uniforms for our own clothes, wore red noses, held cakes, sweets and notepad sales and much much more.

We shall announce the amount we raised soon....please stay tuned!



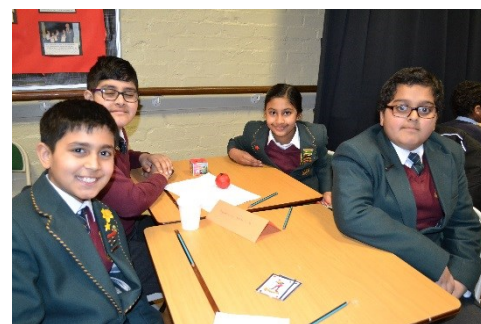
Bringing the Big Maths Quiz trophy home!



Well done to two teams of Year 5 & Year 6 pupils who battled it out against pupils from other local Primary schools in the Hydesville Big Maths Quiz 2019.

Led by Head of Maths, Mr Walker, the teams took part in a number of maths activities, including a quick fire buzzer round. And a huge well done to our Year 6 team who came joint first with Blackwood School!

The event was a huge success, and great fun was had by pupils and teachers alike.



Crowning the Hydesville Quiz Winners 2019

Thank you to everyone who came to our Quiz Night yesterday.

It was a great event that gave parents and staff the opportunity to get together and enjoy an evening of fun and socialising.

Congratulations to the winning team, 'I am Smarticus,' comprising Hydesville's Learning Support Assistant, Mrs Khan, along with Mr Khan, Miss O'Meara (Tayo in Year 2's mum) and Tayo's aunty! They were all very worthy winners of the coveted trophy, certificate and chocolates.



Jay's karate comp success

We love hearing about our pupils' achievements outside of school so were delighted to find out about Jay in Year 2's successes in a karate competition last weekend.

Jay had his first karate tournament on Sunday and he came first! This is a huge achievement and we're all really proud of him. Well done Jay!



After School Club notice

Please remember to collect your children by the close of the club, 6pm – if you are aware that you are going to be late please contact Mrs Edwards on **07745 022502** as soon as possible.

There is a surcharge should the pick-up be late please note the School Office is not open after 4.30pm.

On-site vehicle access – before school

Please note that the *very limited* places on site for dropping off in the mornings are not parking spaces. They are only for **dropping off**.

This is to maximise the number of parents who can utilise this facility. Therefore, please limit your stay to 5 minutes maximum.



Reception Pupil
of the Week:

Veer - awarded for becoming more independent and taking responsibility for his own learning.



Congratulations to the following Prep School class who achieved 100% attendance this week: 3L and 5C.

Congratulations to the following Senior Form Groups who achieved the highest attendance (98%) this week: Form 5

Prep School Awards and Achievements

Well done to Ruby in Year 5 for completing a 10k run.



Congratulations to Maryam in Year 2 for her Kombat Federation (karate) award and her Stanley 2 swimming certificate.



Well done to Amrit in Year 2 for her IDTA rosette award for ballet.

Congratulations to Tianna-Rose (Reception) and Tamika (Year 2) who represented Wednesbury Hockey Club in the U8's Staffs hockey tournament at Lichfield Hockey Club.

In the Wednesbury U10 team in the same tournament, Zakir (Year 5) played in goal as the team became Staffordshire Champions, winning four out of five games and drawing the other. He didn't concede any goals in all five games! He will now play in the Midland Finals in Nottingham on May 5th. Good luck!



Notices/reminders:

Nursery sound of the week	Here is this week's phonic link for learning at home: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q8qklEXh7Dc
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Year 3 trip to Dudley Zoo – Thurs 21st March	Please can children wear the school waterproof coat for the trip.
Senior Swimming Gala – Tuesday 19th March	<p>Pupils need to be taken directly to the Walsall Gala Baths for 8.45 am. Pupils travelling to school on the mini-buses will be taken straight there.</p> <p>Pupils need to arrive in PE kit, and bring swimming kit, School swimming hat and two towels. Pupils remain in their PE kit for the rest of the day.</p> <p>Parents are welcome to spectate at the event. Races start at 9.15am and finish by 12.30pm.</p>

Dates coming up week commencing 18th March 2019:

Monday	<p>Shakespeare Week begins: Prep Week</p> <p>Upper Prep Swimming Gala</p> <p>After School Clubs:</p> <p>Art Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.45 pm)</p> <p>STEM Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.45 pm)</p> <p>Problem Solving: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)</p> <p>Archery Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)</p> <p>Football Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)</p>
Tuesday	<p>Senior Swimming Gala</p> <p>After School Clubs:</p> <p>Drama Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.45 pm)</p> <p>Spanish: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)</p> <p>Art Club: Seniors (3.45 – 4.45 pm)</p>
Wednesday	<p>Parents' Evening: Y8 (4.00 pm – 6.00 pm)</p> <p>After School Clubs:</p> <p>Hockey Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)</p>
Thursday	<p>Trip to Dudley Zoo: Y3</p> <p>After School Clubs:</p> <p>Multi-Skills: Y1 & Y2 (3.30 – 4.30 pm)</p> <p>MAT Elocution: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)</p> <p>11Plus Booster session: Year 5 (4.00 – 5.00 pm)</p> <p>Musical Theatre: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)</p>
Friday	<p>After School Clubs:</p> <p>Karate: Prep School (3.50 – 4.50 pm)</p> <p>Duke of Edinburgh: Y9 - 11 (3.45 – 4.45 pm)</p>
Sunday	ISA Drama competition: Prep School Drama Club