



HYDESVILLE
TOWER SCHOOL

WEEKLY

News in brief...

Head's commendations:



Samuel – Y1
Abubakr – Y2
Narian – Y4
Dev – Y5
Ryan – Y6

Performer of the Week:

Balvin (Y8) – awarded for making progress in music lessons and proving dedication is the key!

Senior Pupil of the Week:

Balvin (Y8) – awarded for his perseverance and determination.



A note from the Headmaster

This has been an exciting week, with a residential trip for the Year 3 and Year 4 pupils, the events of Careers Week, a trip to the Badminton Championships and World Book Day all being crammed in to five days! Pupils and staff deserve a hearty well done, and a sizeable rest (after Open Morning tomorrow!).

Hydesville Tower School recognises the importance of developing character in our young people, because this is a big part of how they will move into the world beyond school and have all the qualities needed for success. Life throws challenges our way, and it is in dealing with these that we continue to grow. Increasingly, our society needs people who will provide strong leadership and role models, and it is through these events and opportunities that our pupils acquire the characteristics. I am indebted to the staff for leading these trips and options, because without them the children miss out on an important part of their experience. Similarly, it is great to hear how our pupils are always described in the most positive of terms by everyone that encounters them: they are a credit to us all when in these settings.

Looking ahead to next week, there will be the excitement of Science Week and the chance to discover which group of adults know anything in the Quiz Night. I have been fervently revising the greatest hits of Rick Astley in the hope that there will be dozens of questions in this area! Whatever your plans this weekend, please make time for an hour of your own – Happiness Homework remains important!

Best wishes...

Kind hearted Simar donates hair for charity

We are very proud of Simar in Year 3, who has donated 11 inches of her hair to the Little Princess Cancer Trust. Her hair will now be used for wigs for children who lose their hair due to cancer.

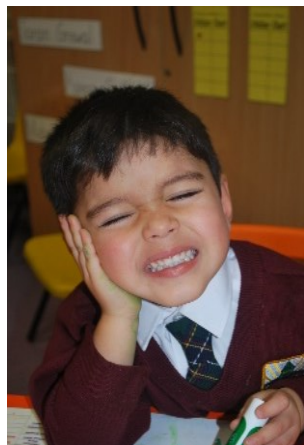
Simar's kind gesture is also in memory of her grandfather who sadly passed away from cancer last September.

Within just two days, Simar raised £160. What an amazing achievement, well done!



Nursery Stars of the Week:

Abu – awarded for great listening skills.



Adam – awarded for all round good progress and development.



Reception Star of the Week:

Subhan – awarded for improved handwriting and independent application of skills to his written work.



Careers advice for Senior pupils

National Careers Week activities kicked off at Hydesville last Friday when pupils in Year 9 went to 'What Career Live' at Birmingham's NEC. The event gave pupils the chance to find out about future careers and gain advice and guidance on what to do when they leave school, including entry to Higher Education.

This week, pupils in Years 7 and 8 met real apprentices and employees in a 'what's my job' activity and Year 10 went to an apprentice event, held at West Bromwich Albion Football Club.

The week finished with a 'One Job Challenge Career Day' when pupils met more local employers and engaged in meaningful discussions about the world of work and possible routes to employment.

We hope this week's activities have been interesting and useful for our pupils and they have learnt more about the options available to them when they leave school.

World Book Day celebrations

We've had a great time celebrating World Book Day. Prep pupils did us proud with an amazing array of creative costumes - from superheroes to rainforest animals - and even the teachers got into the spirit and dressed up too! Senior pupils didn't want to miss out either, and they dressed up in literary-themed costumes.

The whole school took part in a range of activities throughout the day, all to celebrate the joy and value of books and reading.

Prep pupils were given a £1 World Book Day token to redeem on a book of their choice and Year 2 pupils had a special visit from pupils in Year 7 where the older children spent time reading to the younger ones. It was a very special lesson!



Pancake Day fun

To commemorate Shrove Tuesday pupils in Year 1 learnt about the traditions associated with Shrove Tuesday and even took part in a pancake race!

They also practiced their tossing skills and even designed their own amazing toppings to have on their pancakes. Mmm...yummy!

Events coming up next week

Comic Relief Coffee Morning

We would like to invite all Hydesville parents and carers to join us at our Comic Relief coffee morning on Friday 15th March starting at 8.45 am in the dining room. We hope you can join us and help support this fantastic charity.



Science Day

We're excited to announce we will be celebrating British Science Week in School on Wednesday 13th March, when pupils will take part in a day of science related awe and wonder!

We have lots of fun and educational activities planned, including a Prep School launch assembly, science fair and a poster competition. We can't wait!

Quiz Night

We have space for two more teams at next Thursday's Quiz Night. Entry is free, and teams are invited to bring along their own food and drink. Mrs Whitehouse is our quizmaster, ably assisted by staff from across Prep & Senior Schools.

Please do come along for an evening of fun and socialising....we guarantee you a great night!

Please email sarah.archer@hydesville.com to register your team.



Prep School Awards and Achievements



Well done to Avaani and Yuvraj in Year 1 who won a dance competition.

Congratulations to Dev in Year 5 for achieving a purple belt in karate.



Congratulations to the following Prep School class who achieved 100% attendance this week: 1B, 1E, 2S, 3W, 3L, 5B and 6K.



Well done to Laila in Y2 for her Stanley 2 swimming award and to Tayo in Year 2 for his Stanley 5 swimming award.

Congratulations to the following Senior Form Groups who achieved the highest attendance (98%) this week: Form 1

Notices/reminders:

<p>Nursery sound of the week</p>	<p>Here is this week's phonic link for learning at home: https://youtu.be/oHe1GoxTyEI</p>
<p>Comic relief – Friday 15th March</p>	<p>All pupils (Nursery, Prep & Senior) are invited to come to school in non-uniform on Friday 15th March. We are asking for a £1 donation, per pupil. Thank you for supporting this fantastic charity.</p> <p>There will be lots of fundraising activities taking place for Comic Relief so pupils may want to bring in some money: We will be selling charity notebooks (thanks to Jade and her family in Y7) as well as holding a bog-off competition (pupils throwing a ball into a toilet!)</p>

Dates coming up week commencing 11th March 2019:

<p>Monday</p>	<p>Reading Open Morning: Reception (9 – 9.30) After School Clubs: Art Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.45 pm) STEM Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.45 pm) Problem Solving: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm) Archery Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm) Football Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)</p>
<p>Tuesday</p>	<p>The Hydesville Big Maths Quiz: (selected) Y5 & Y6 pupils After School Clubs: Drama Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.45 pm) Spanish: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)</p>

	Art Club: Seniors (3.45 – 4.45 pm)
Wednesday	Science Day: Prep School Barcelona trip meeting for parents, 6.30 pm: Seniors After School Clubs: Hockey Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)
Thursday	Quiz Night, 6.30pm: Staff & parents (All School) Pi Day: Senior School Themed lunch day: India After School Clubs: Multi-Skills: Y1 & Y2 (3.30 – 4.30 pm) MAT Elocution: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm) 11Plus Booster session: Year 5 (4.00 – 5.00 pm) Musical Theatre: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)
Friday	Comic Relief Parent Coffee Morning: 8.45 am Non-uniform day for Comic Relief: All School Trip to the Big Bang Fair, Birmingham NEC: Y7 & Y8 Nursery Stay & Play session for prospective Nursery families: 1.30 pm – 3.00 pm Deadline for Scholarship applications for Year 7 entry in September. After School Clubs: Karate: Prep School (3.50 – 4.50 pm) Duke of Edinburgh: Y9 - 11 (3.45 – 4.45 pm)

Indian day.

Next week's 'Around the World in 24 Dishes' menu is:

Chicken saagwala

Mushroom balti

Beef madras

Pilau rice

Bombay potatoes

Curried cauliflower

Poppadoms with yoghurt, mint sauce, onion salad and mango chutney

Salad bar

Deli bar

Ice cream

