



HYDESVILLE  
TOWER SCHOOL

# WEEKLY

## News in brief...

### Head's commendations:



Rianah - Y1  
Fola - Y2  
Ibrahim - Y3  
Dhaya - Y4  
Ibraheem - Y5  
Ryan - Y6

### A note from the Headmaster

Did you enjoy the summer?

It feels like this week has thrown us back into the midst of winter and it was with considerable sympathy that I wished Mr Turner well for the latest venture of the Hydesville Challenge: a trip to Aberdyfi for the beach! Some would suggest that the clue is in the name, "Challenge", but I feared this would be taking matters too far. Imagine my delight (and jealousy) on receiving a text describing sun shining, chips, ice cream and paddling! The programme for the Hydesville Challenge has been so thoughtfully put together, and I know the pupils gain enormously from it all. In a variety of ways, it is setting them up to be ready for the move into secondary education in three months' time.

It was great news to see the school recognised for its work in sports, with the Gold School Games Mark being awarded this week for the commitment, engagement and delivery of competitive school sport. As if to back this up, Ria did tremendously in the Walsall Schools' Athletics Championships at Alexander Stadium, finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> in the shot putt. Maybe the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham will be too soon for Ria, but with her competitiveness, who knows?!

Finally, thank you to the parents of the Nursery children who came in for the Phonics Workshop. It was a great opportunity to share the fun ways in which learning can take place, and with Mrs Smith on the whistle, there were plenty of chances to move on and discover more ways to support your child.

Best wishes for drying out over the weekend...



### GOLD for school sport

As Mr Honey mentions above, we are delighted to announce we have achieved the Gold School Games Mark for our commitment, engagement and delivery of competitive school sport during this academic year.

A huge thank you to everyone who has helped us achieve this award.

## Nursery Stars of the Week:

**Dylan** – awarded for making excellent progress.



**Umar** – awarded for working hard.



## Reception Star of the Week:

**Katie** – awarded for a mature manner, impeccable behaviour and a positive attitude.



## 11 Plus Preparation

Following on from our presentation to parents just before the end of the Spring term, we are delighted to confirm the appointments of Miss Crump and Mrs Kenton as the two Lead Tutors to be responsible for 11 Plus provision within the Prep School.

You will have noticed that BOFA, our electronic platform has now been launched for Years 4 & 5 and Year 3 will follow during the next two weeks.

**For current Year 5 only** - the 11 Plus accelerator days will run on 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> August. If you have not yet signed up for this and still wish to have small group tuition for your child, then please return your reply slip to Mrs Whitehouse by **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June**. Should you have mislaid your letter, please ask for another copy from the office. Copies have also been uploaded to the School website.



## New packed lunches options

Following feedback from parents we are pleased to announce a few changes to our packed lunch options.

Upper Prep and Senior pupils now have the option of having salad (or not) on their sub rolls.

Senior School pupils can now also order from a choice of two healthy lunch boxes, containing either chicken couscous salad or tomato basil pasta. Both boxes also include orange juice, cake and fruit.

We hope our pupils enjoy these tasty new options.

## Nursery & Reception Summer Holiday Fun Club

We will be running a Summer Holiday Fun Club for children in Nursery & Reception.

The Club will run from Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 9am until 4pm, and is open to non-Hydesville children too.

Hurry to secure the Early Bird price of £20 per child, per day!

Contact Mrs Smith in Nursery for more information or to reserve your child's place.

Summer Holiday

# Fun Club

HYDESVILLE TOWER SCHOOL  
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Wk 1: Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July  
Wk 2: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July  
Wk 3: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August  
Wk 4: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August  
Wk 5: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August  
Wk 6: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August

**Club Hours:**  
9am to 4pm.

Open to all Hydesville Nursery & Reception pupils, as well as non-Hydesville children... please bring a friend (and a packed lunch)!

**Book by Monday 1st July to secure an Early Bird price of £20 per day, per child.** All bookings made after 1st July will be charged at £25 per child. Places are limited and allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Please complete booking form overleaf...



## Summer Art exhibition - please come along!

We invite parents and pupils to join us at our summer art exhibition on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June, 4 - 6 pm in the School Hall. The event will showcase a collection of artwork from across the school, including pieces from our current GCSE pupils.

Everyone is welcome to come along. Refreshments will be available, so we would be grateful if you could RSVP your attendance to

[info@hydesville.com](mailto:info@hydesville.com)

## Quick round up from across the school



- Thank you to all of the Nursery parents who joined their children at the N2 Phonic Workshop. The teaching of phonics play a crucial part of childrens' development and we thank parents for supporting us in teaching these valuable skills.

Well done to the Senior School pupils who represented Hydesville at the Walsall Schools' athletics championship at Alexander Stadium yesterday. It was a great event, made even better by Ria in Year 10 coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in the shot put competition. Well done all!

- Year 8 had a lovely art lesson this week, drawing cakes kindly donated by Senior School teacher, Mrs Jones!



Pupils had been studying the work of Sarah Wain, who paints large scale pieces often based on food and has work widely exhibited in galleries and eateries.

The lesson went down a treat with pupils and they particularly enjoyed eating the cakes after drawing them. Thank you Mrs Jones, the cakes were very tasty!





## All School Awards and Achievements

Well done to Dev in Year 5 for receiving a certificate of appreciation for participation at his Hindu Temple.

Congratulations to Karam in Year 1 for using his initiative to challenge the marketing department of a well

known food brand.

After seeing a TV advert of a bear eating chocolate, Karam wrote a letter to McVitie's pointing out that bears eat honey, not chocolate! The company were very impressed with Karam's letter and wrote back to thank him, and sent him a special McVitie's teddy bear for him to keep.



### Senior Pupils of the Week:

**Jai (Y8)** - for always being cheerful & positive and making excellent contributions to 'Votes for Schools' discussions.

**Jasmeen (Y7)** - for being very mature in her approach to friendships and helping others.

**Gavin (Y9)** - for demonstrating great positive learning behaviours during the run up to the end of year exams.

**Joel (Y9)** - for volunteering to litter pick.

**Inderjeet (Y7)** - for being a golf champion and for his literary success.

**Parmal (Y9)** - for successfully getting the Year 9 boys to form on time!

**Jai (Y7)** - for being organised.

**Congratulations to the following Prep School classes who achieved 100% attendance this week: 1B, 2S**

**Congratulations to the following Senior School Form who achieved the highest (99%) attendance this week: Form 1**

**NORTH**  
Saturday 6 July 2019  
Concorde Conference Centre  
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### 11 'Spotlight on Careers'

Pilot Career Live, Europe's largest independent pilot career exhibition is taking place at the Concorde Conference Centre at Manchester Airport on Saturday July 6<sup>th</sup> (10 am - 4 pm). More information is available at:

[www.pilotcareernews.com/live/north](http://www.pilotcareernews.com/live/north)

## Notices/reminders:

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| <b>Nursery sound of the week (last one this term)</b>                | Here is this week's phonic link for learning at home:<br><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vQshNmncnBs_">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vQshNmncnBs_</a>  |
| <b>EYFS trip to West Midlands Safari Park (20<sup>th</sup> June)</b> | Children must come dressed sensibly for the weather and arrive at school promptly at 8.45am, or earlier.  |
| <b>Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Group</b>                                | Those Year 10 pupils who are going on the expedition to the Peaks on the 29 <sup>th</sup> and 30 <sup>th</sup> June will be <u>required</u> to attend D of E training afterschool on Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> , 21 <sup>st</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> June to plan/train for the expedition.   |
| <b>Dads v Teachers football match</b>                                | A reminder that our annual dads v teachers football match is taking place at the University of Wolverhampton on Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June (6.15pm kick off). Please come along to cheer on the teams. We would also be grateful of raffle prizes. Please drop them into the school office. |
| <b>Family Forest Fun Day</b>   | Sadly, due to this week's persistent rainfall, we have had to cancel the Family Forest Fun Day this Saturday. Refunds for tickets purchased are available from the School office.<br>We are really sorry for any disappointment or inconvenience caused.                                      |
| <b>Prize-giving ticket replies</b>                                   | Please return reply slips regarding tickets for this year's prize-giving ceremonies by Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June (Nursery, Reception & Prep School) and Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June for Senior School.  |

## Dates & After-School Clubs coming up week commencing 17<sup>th</sup> June:

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| <b>Monday</b> | Last GCSE exam<br>After School Clubs:<br>Problem Solving: Upper Prep (3.45 - 4.30 pm)<br>Musical Theatre: Senior (3.45 - 4.45 pm)<br>STEM Club: Upper Prep (3.45 - 4.45 pm) |
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|                  | Cricket: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)   |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Hydesville Challenge, Bikeability: Y6<br>Trip to Blists Hill: Y5<br>After School Clubs:<br>Drama Club: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.45 pm)<br>Cricket: Seniors (3.45 – 4.30 pm)<br>Art: Seniors (3.45 – 4.45 pm)   |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Trip to Migas Spanish restaurant: Y7<br>N2 Phonic Workshop (2.15pm)<br>After School Clubs:   |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Trip to West Midlands Safari Park:<br>Nursery & Reception<br>Hydesville Challenge, Trip to West Midlands Safari Park: Y6<br>Themed lunch day: Greece<br>After School Clubs:<br>Multi-Skills: Y1 & Y2 (3.30 – 4.30 pm)<br>MAT Elocution: Upper Prep (3.45 – 4.30 pm)<br>11Plus Booster session: Year 5 (3.45 – 5.00 pm) |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Nursery Stay & Play session: 1.30pm – 3pm (for prospective nursery families)<br>World Music Day: All<br>After School Clubs:<br>Karate: Prep School (3.50 – 4.50 pm)<br>Duke of Edinburgh: Y9 - 11 (3.45 – 4.45)  |

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June's  
'Around the World in 24  
Dishes' menu is:**

## Greek day.

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Beef kofta

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Chicken gyros

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Feta & spinach filo parcels

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Vegetable moussaka

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Greek lemon roasted potatoes

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Briam (Greek roasted vegetables)

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Salad bar

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Deli Bar

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Traditional Greek honey cake

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