

#### #HYDESVILLE **FAMILY NEWS**

AUTUMN TERM 8TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Welcome to #HydesvilleFamily News, our bi-monthly newsletter to keep you updated on all things going on at Hydesville.

Here we share updates and celebrate pupil successes and include important notices and updates on what is coming up the following week.

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#### A WELCOME FROM THE HEADTEACHER

As we settle into a new academic year at Hydesville Tower School I wanted to welcome you back to school, particularly to the new families that have joined us.

I hope the children have enjoyed their return to school and are ready for the fun and challenges that the year will bring.

I know that staff have been working hard over the summer break to ensure we provide the best possible experience for the children.

I look forward to seeing many of you through the year. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.



Mrs Samra

We love to hear about what you're getting up

Send in your photos, news and updates to:

info@hydesville.com or sarah.archer@hydesville.com











#### Welcome Back









Congratulations to the following pupils who have received certificates







To our Blue Peter Badge Winners









Congratulations!

**Summer Reading Challenge** 











## Congratulations!



## GCSE Results

Hydesville Tower continues to lead as one of Walsall's top performing non-selective schools achieving almost double the national average pass rate - 45% of all grades achieved at GCSE at 7-9 (A, A\*, A\*\* equivalent)

Students in year 11 are enjoying excellent GCSE results. The abundance of 9, 8 and 7 grades this year (equivalent to A\* and A) at Hydesville Tower School, which is renowned for not only its academic rigour but also for offering exceptional pastoral care and the range of extracurricular activities, is a testament to the wonderful teaching and learning environment on offer.

The headlines in brief are:

- 45% of GCSE entries at Hydesville Tower School have been awarded the most sought after 9, 8 and 7 grades (A\*/A equivalent)
- 75% of grades achieved were 9 to 6 (A\*- B equivalent)
- Over a third of the cohort were awarded grades 9-7 in nine or more subjects

"The accomplishments of our Year 11 pupils have us ecstatic. I feel extremely proud of how hard they have worked for their exam success, and of the way my staff have supported them throughout"

Mrs Samra, Headteacher





# Inmportant Dates Autumn Term Sept 23 / Dec23

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## September

Key:	Nursery	Preparatory School	Senior School

Wednesday 6th Sept	Start of Term: Nursery to Year 7 Year 7 only in Senior School	
Thursday 7th Sept	Years 8 – 11 Pupils return to School	
Friday 8th Sept	International Literacy Day: Prep & Seniors	
Monday 11th Sept	Homework Clubs to commence Year 7 Teambuilding Day at Wolverhampton University, Walsall Campus Year 11 GCSE Art Workshop Y11 Food Nutrition GCSE Ready Steady Cook 11am-1pm	
Monday 18th Sept	Extra-Curricular Clubs to commence	
Wednesday 20th Sept	Year 10 Information Evening (4:30 - 5.30 pm) Year 3 Childrens University meeting (4:00pm Venue TBC)	
Tuesday 26th Sept	Year 4 Trip to Selly Manor Year 5 Trip to Cadbury World (TBC)	
Thursday 28th Sept	Y9 Real Apprentice Fayre West Bromwich Albion 9.30am-11am	
Friday 29th Sept	Whole School -Global Be Well Day Macmillan Coffee Morning (Mrs Sharkey)	
Saturday 30th Sept	Whole School Open Day	

#### **October**

Monday 2nd Oct	Black History Month
Tuesday 3rd Oct	Whole School - Poetry Week  Reception -11 flu vaccinations 9.00am-12.30pm
Wednesday 4th Oct	School individual and class photographs Animals in Hands visits Nursery
Thursday 5th Oct	National Poetry Day (Mrs. Sharkey)
Friday 6th Oct	Nursery Stay & Play 1.30-3pm
Tuesday 10th Oct	Whole School - World Mental Health Day
Wednesday 11th Oct	Y7 & New Starters' Settling in Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm
Thursday 12th Oct	Harry Potter World Book Day (Mrs Sharkey)
Monday 16th Oct	Senior Cross-Country Week
Wednesday 18th Oct	Years 3, 4 and 5 Beaudesert Residential (18th to 20th Oct) Y11 Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm by appointment

2 HTS Important Dates - Autumn Term Sept 23 / Dec23

Thursday 19th Oct	Years 3, 4 and 5 Beaudesert Residential	
	Year 10 And 11 Physics Trip To Alton Towers (TBC)	
	Senior School Information Event 5:30_6:30	
Friday 20th Oct	Years 3, 4 and 5 Beaudesert Residential	
	Year 7 to 10 effort report cards and Year 11 effort & progress report card issued to parents	
	Nursery HTS British Bake off competition	
	Half Term	
Monday 22nd Oct	Nursery comp week (until Friday 28th)	
Monday 30th Oct	Nursery & Reception Fun Club (until Friday 4th)	

### **November**

Monday 6th Nov	Pupils Returns after half term	
- C. T. C.	Year 1 Leather Museum Trip (TBC)	
Tuesday 7th Nov	Nursery parent consultations on SchoolCloud	
Wednesday 9th Nov	Y8 Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm by appointment	
Friday 10th Nov	Remembrance Day	
Monday 13th Nov	Anti-bullying Week	
Tuesday 14th Nov	Year 6 - Haden Hill House - Home Front Experience (TBC - DB to confirm)	
Wednesday 15th Nov	Reception-11 flu catch up vaccinations 9.00am-12.30pm & School Council Meeting - LJ	
	Prep School Parents Evening 4:00 pm - 6:30pm (Yr1 - Yr6)	
Thursday 16th Nov	Year 10 Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm by appointment	
Friday 17th Nov	Nursery - Mad Hatter's Tea Party 2.30pm	
	Y11 GCSE Geography Field Trip	
	Whole School - Children in need ( non- uniform day)	
Monday 20th Nov	Whole School - Road Safety Week	
Wednesday 22nd Nov	Year 9 Parents' Evening 4.00-6,30pm by appointment	
Thursday 23rd Nov	Years 3 to 6 REP Theatre Trip	
120	Early Years Event	
	Y11 Mock Examinations	
Friday 24th Nov	Y11 Mock Examinations	
Monday 27th Nov	Y11 Mock Examinations	
Tuesday 28th Nov	Y11 Mock Examinations	
Wednesday 29th Nov	Y11 Mock Examinations	
Thursday 30th Nov	Y11 Mock Examinations	

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#### **November**

Preparatory School Senior School

Friday 1st Dec	Y11 Mock Examinations	
	Drama & Musical Theatre KS2 Club - Peter Pan	
Tuesday 5th Dec	Rec/ Yr 1 /Yr 2 trip to Garrick Theatre, Lichfield. (10am performance	
Wednesday 6th Dec	Nursery & Reception Nativity 2pm	
Thursday 7th Dec	KS1 Nativity 2:15 pm	
	Whole School - Christmas Jumper Day	
Monday 11th Dec	Y7 Rock Up Broadway Plaza (PM only) - DF	
	Nursery & Reception and Key stage 1 Xmas Party	
Wednesday 13th Dec	Christmas Fair	
Thursday 14th Dec	Christmas Carol Service (2:30 pm TBC)	
Friday 15th Dec	Year 7 to 10 Progress Report	
	Nursery Santa's Workshop 9.30am in garden	
	School Finishes at 1:30pm	
Monday 18nd Dec	Nursery Comp Day	
Tuesday 19th Dec	Nursery Comp Day	
Wednesday 20th Dec	Nursery Comp Day	
	Christmas Holidays	

#### **January**

Monday 8th January	Pupils return to school
Thursday 4th January	Nursery comp Day
Wednesday 3rd Jan	Nursery comp Day



If you have any questions please contact the school office.

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#### **OPEN MORNING**

Saturday 30th September 10am - 12pm

Call 01922 748817 to register your interest

Limited nursery places available for Sept 23 & Sept 24 intake