

# **#HYDESVILLE FAMILY WEEKLY**

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#### A WELCOME FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after half term.

The parent workshops have proven to be very beneficial, and it was wonderful to watch parents respond to the non-verbal enquiries. Excellent guidance for the 11+ journey was provided by Mrs. Chand, making the morning fantastic.

I know you would all be happy to see Mrs. Booth return. It was a pleasure to have her help the year 11 students get ready for their GCSE exams.

I appreciate the input from all of the parents on the new PE kit. Please stop by reception to compare the two kits as I will be speaking with the suppliers during the first week of March. We value all of your comments.

I hope you enjoy this weeks newsletter. Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Samra



#### Congratulations to the

Star of the week

#### Nursery





For being kind and helpful

#### Reception





For super progress and for working hard in all areas of learning

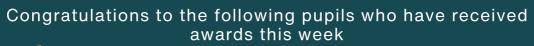
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# Headteacher's Commendation



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AWARDS











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# Congratulations to the following pupils who have received awards this week

	Achieved Bronze medal in the West Midland Novice Tumbling Championships	Saranya S (Y3)
Samuel B		



#### Jared D (Y4)

A huge congratulations to Jared for his successful fundraising efforts for the Stroke Assocation.



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Nursery

This week Yellow Group children have developed their healthy eating knowledge in numerous ways.

To extend our Nursery topic, 'People Who Help Us', the children have been taking on roles of shopkeepers and customers. Yellow Group used the available resources to use their understanding of how a shop operates combined with their role play skills. The children enjoyed counting the play money whilst purchasing their shopping and had the opportunity to mark make when writing their shopping lists.

Siya enjoyed being the shop keeper and said, "Hello, how can I help you today?", whereas Aadam liked filling up his shopping basket and asked, "How many pounds please?".

Yellow group also talked about healthy foods that related to our 'Healthy Eating Workshop', they each talked about and made their own plate of food, Aria had an interesting plate of prawns and strawberries! Adam said his favourite food was porridge, when asked if he has anything in his porridge he replied, "Yes, milk!".

Yellow group had a go at being chefs and worked in their own pasta restaurant, they used their culinary skills to produce the yummiest pasta in the world according to Mrs Ubhi. They used fine motor skills to handle the pasta as well as hand/eye coordination to pour and pick it up using utensils and pans. Samaira enjoyed being Sous Chef and organised her kitchen staff into helping her.

Imaginative play in the early years has significant value as it allows the children to learn critical thinking skills, skills such as turn taking, sharing, communication and interaction.



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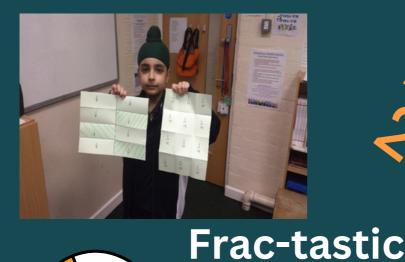
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Prep School

#### Year 3

This week our pupils have had an exciting time in Maths lessons exploring 'Fractions'. They impressed teachers by remembering some previous taught work on this subject. The pupils started this topic by making their own fractions using different pieces of paper and soon realised that they needed to make sure each shape was an identical size to be a true fraction.

Once pupils understood this concept, they began looking at what a numerator and denominator were, how they are written, and what the numbers represent. The children showed focus and determination to understand this topic. They are now looking forward to practising these skills in their daily maths lessons.





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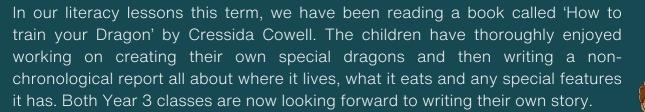
fun!

Prep School

For their new science topic, 'The Power of Forces', Year 3 were given a variety of items and asked to make them move. They investigated different ways to set them in motion and identify what forces were being used. A great practical investigation to kick off the new half term!









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#### Prep School

# 11+ Parental Workshop



Parents and Year 4 pupils attended an 11+ Workshop. There was a great deal of conversation and competitiveness, especially when it came to solving the non-verbal puzzles. Parents received advice from Mrs. Chand and her team on how to support their child on this crucial journey. Parents expressed their gratitude for today's workshop experience. Congratulations to all of our Year 4 pupils and parents/caregivers who could make it.





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#### Prep School

# Year 5

On Monday 19th February, to conclude their study of 'Medicine through time' the Year 5 pupils participated in a Victorian Surgery Workshop, led by the curators of the George Marshall Medical Museum. Guided by these knowledgeable facilitators, the pupils explored the profound impact of pain relief, antiseptics, and anaesthetics on surgical procedures throughout this period of history. Immersed in interactive demonstrations, historical narratives, and the opportunity to see some Victorian surgical equipment, pupils gained a deep understanding of how these innovations revolutionised patient care and surgical outcomes.





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Prep School

# Year 5 & 6

A fun filled Tuesday for our Year 5 and 6 pupils with a visit to Villa Park. Not only did they have the opportunity of visiting villa park, but also having a training session led by the Villa coaches in their academy building.

They also had a tour of the stadium, learning about the history of the club and the start of the football league.













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Prep School

# **Humanities**

Exciting news from the Eco-Committee! In celebration of World Book Day, we're organising a fantastic book swap event for our students.

We invite you to participate by bringing in any unused books your children may have at home.

Here's how it works: for every book your child brings in, they will receive a ticket. These tickets can then be exchanged on World Book Day, Thursday March 7th, for another thrilling read from our book swap selection!

Please ensure that all books are brought in by Monday March 4th to give us time to organise and set up the swap.

Let's encourage a love for reading and sustainability together!



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#### Senior School

# Year 11 NCS VISITOR



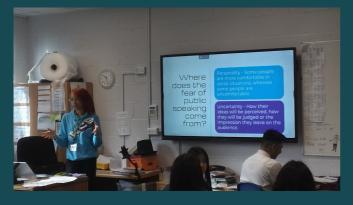


This week we had Annaya Brown from NCS come back to visit the Year 11s this week to give them tips and pointers on Public speaking.

So many more opportunities available to year 11 to prepare them for life after Hydesville.

Open to pupils from other schools to allow socialisation and collaboration between friends and like - minded people. For more information follow the link below .

#### https://wearencs.com/find-programme





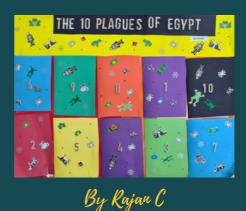
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# Year 7 & 8



Cakes by Laila U



It has been 'all systems go' in the Religious Studies department since the commencement of the new academic year. Year 7 pupils have particularly impressed Miss Hamilton with the thoughtful and creative projects they made over the Christmas holidays. Pupils are currently studying the religion of Judaism and as part of their exploration into the faith they were tasked with constructing an original piece of work which described the 10 plagues of Egypt - an important event in Jewish history and the motivation behind the Jewish festival of Passover. Notable pieces came from: Jayani S, Rajan C, Laila U and Ryan S.



By Zoya S

Year 8 have been just as creative in their endeavours this half term, with Zoya producing a beautiful piece of artwork to reflect her own world view.

Year 8 pupils are currently looking at non-religious ways of looking at the world through the lens of Humanism. Zoya should be commended on her effort and her newly appointed position as 'Religious Studies ambassador'.

Miss Hamilton cannot wait to see how she continues to merge her two passions - religion and art, in the future.

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#### Senior School

#### Year 7 and 8 pupils are particularly excited about putting their linguistic skills to the test in Normandy and Paris this summer. The trip is the perfect opportunity for pupils to learn about French culture and practice the French they have learnt in class.

Year 8 performed some entertaining role plays last half term, improvising buying clothes at a shop. This term they will be learning how to ask for directions.

Year 7 will have the opportunity to eat ice cream in the summer term when they will be ordering different flavours at Madame Dhadda's café and a restaurant, as well as buying items at a market.

Year 10 have settled into their GCSE course, whilst Year 9 have also started covering GCSE content in preparation for the new specification.

Finally, bonne chance to Year 11 who are preparing for their forthcoming examinations, they are working so hard!









#### Senior School



#### Artist of the week Anya D (Year 9)







Priya Year 9 for achieving her Grade 5 Violin.

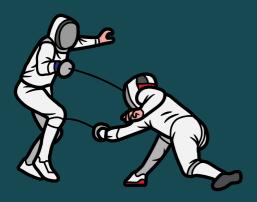




Sports

Our Year 7 Boys football team took part in a 6 a-side ISA tournament at Rowley Park. Hydesville finished 5th in their group winning a match against Heathfield school 1-0, the boys were unlucky and suffered a 2-0 loss to a tough side in their 5th place play-off match.





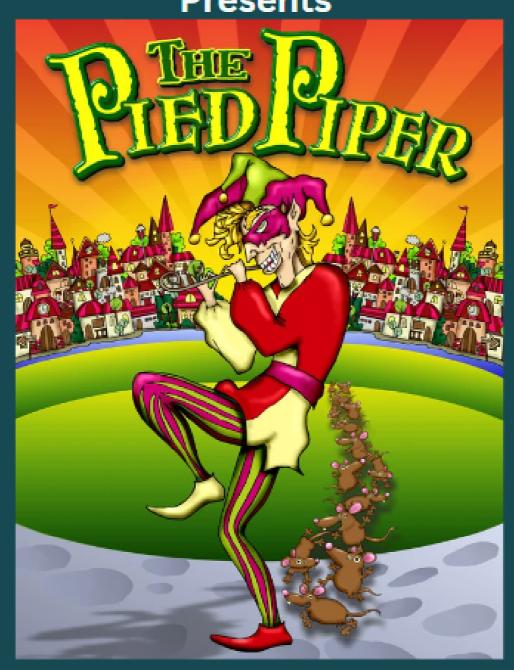
Year 3 and 4 are enjoying fencing in their Games sessions.

Every Thursday is Gymnastics Club night, which is very popular. Book your space as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. Extra classes will be held on Wednesdays and Thursdays after school by the gymnastics coach.



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#### Wednesday 20th March 2:15pm start. Refreshments Thursday 21st March Refreshments 9:30 am start.

Tickets will be availble via Cognita Connect

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#### WEEKLYROUND UP Voice of the Parent

As a school, we appreciate your feedback and make changes based on feedback. We are committed to providing the highest quality education and services across the whole school.

All Hydesville parents will receive a link via email to complete the survey.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete it.



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# WEEKLYROUND UP Prep School Assembly Rota

# Below is the timetable for our Friday\* assemblies so you can see when your child is taking part. The assemblies will take place in the school hall at 9.00am Prep School Assembly Schedule and parents are welcome to join the coffee morning session the day their child is performing in the dining hall at 8.45am.

Prep School Assemblies: Spring Term 2023 -

2024

Date:	12/01/24	19/01/24	26/01/24	02/02/24	09/02/24	23/02/24	01/03/24	08/03/24	15/03/24	20/03/24 21/03/24	22/03/24
	Mrs Samra	Mrs Chand	nham	Mrs Entecott	Whole School	Mrs Watson	Miss Crump	Deacon HW	Ms Gibbons	Y3 to Y6	Mrs Chand
	New Year	World	Trust	Children's	Cultural Day		Love of		_	Musical	Awards &
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\*Some performances may take place on days other than Friday, see schedule for details

## SPRING TERM KEY DATES

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Monday	19-Feb		Welcome Back After Half Te	rm
Tues	20-Feb		Year 4, 11+ Preparation Workshop Year 5 & Year 6 Villa Park Trip	
Wed	21-Feb		Prep Parents' Evening	
Tues	27-Feb		Year 2 Selly Manor Trip (TBC)	Year 9 DTP /MENACWY Vaccinations 9.00am-3.00pm
Thurs	29 Feb		Year 5 & Year 6 PSHE Workshop with QMHS	
Fri	01-Mar	Nursery Maths PEG (PM)		DofE Navigational Skills day Tbc
Mon	04-Mar			Careers Week DF
Thurs	07-Mar		World Book Day	
			Reception & Year 1 Trip to Black Country Living Museum (TBC)	
Fri	08-Mar			Year 8 & Year 9 London Science Museum and Natural History Museum RC Year 8 Full Written Reports Issued
Sat	09-Mar		Open Morning	
Mon 11-Mar Ramadan Begins.				
		Nursery Moderation Week		
Tues	12-Mar	Nursery Parents' Consultations		
Wed	13-Mar			Year 10 Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm
Thurs	14-Mar	Nursery Trip - Solihull Play Town	Year 5 & Year 6 National Space Centre	Year 7 & Year 8 Badminton Trip NIA

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Fri Mon	15-Mar 18-Mar	Nursery Assessment	RED NOSE DAY	
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Tues	19-Mar		Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Easter Hat Parade	Year 9 Rock Climbing Trip During Games Lesson
Wed	20-Mar		Musical Production (PM)	
Thurs	21-Mar		Musical Production (AM)	
Fri	22-Mar	Nursery Easter Hat Comp & Egg Hunt		Year 7 To 11 Progress Report Issued to Parents. Year 11 Written Report Issued to Parents
Mon	25-Mar		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Tues	26-Mar		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Wed	27-Mar		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Thurs	28-Mar		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Fri	29-Mar		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Mon	01-Apr		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Tues	02-Apr		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Wed	03-Apr		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Thurs	04-Apr		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Fri	05-Apr		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Mon	08-Apr	Nursery Complimentary Days	Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Tues	09-Apr	Nursery Complimentary Days	Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Wed	10-Apr	Nursery Complimentary Days	Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Thurs	11-Apr	Nursery Complimentary Days	Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Fri	12-Apr	Staff Inset		
Mon	15-Apr	All pupils return to school		

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