Family Newsletter

> Autumn Term



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A Welcome from the Headteacher

HYDESVILLE

TOWER SCHOOL

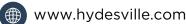
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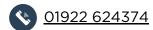


Looking Ahead

We are delighted to welcome a combination of pupils and new staff for the promising academic year of 2025/26.







EXCELLENT WORK

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WELCOME

Upcoming **Events**



A WELCOME FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Welcome back to a brand-new academic year! I hope you and your families had a wonderful summer break and found time to rest, recharge, and enjoy some welldeserved sunshine.

It has been fantastic to see our pupils return this week, full of energy and ready to take on new challenges. A special welcome goes to the families who are joining our school community for the first time - we're so pleased to have you with us.

We have an exciting year ahead, filled with opportunities both inside and outside the classroom. There are new clubs and after-school activities launching this term, trips and visits planned to enrich our curriculum, and spark curiosity and creativity.

Our teachers have been working hard to prepare engaging lessons and projects that will inspire pupils and help them develop their skills and confidence. From science investigations to creative arts, from teamwork in sport to leadership opportunities, there will be something for every child to enjoy and excel in.

As always, the partnership between school and home remains central to everything we do. When we work together, our pupils flourish - not only academically, but as kind, confident, and resilient young people.

Here's to a positive, successful, and inspiring year ahead for us all.

Mrs Samra

Monday 15th September

All clubs begin

Thursday 18th September

Reception Information Evening 3:00pm to 4:00pm

Wednesday 24th September

Children's University Launch

Wednesday 8th October

Year 7-11 English Parent Workshops (3:15 pm)

Year 7 & New Starters Parents' Evening (4 pm)

Thursday 9th October

Parent Quiz

SENIOR SCHOOL







It has been a wonderful start to the new academic year, and I am delighted to welcome everyone back to school.

A particularly warm welcome goes to our new Year 7 pupils, who are settling in brilliantly to life at secondary school. It has been a pleasure to see them making new friends, finding their way around, and beginning their learning journey with such enthusiasm.

For our Year 11 pupils, this is an important year as they prepare for their GCSE examinations. They have made a positive start, and we look forward to supporting them every step of the way.

Our Year 10 pupils are beginning their own GCSE journey, and it was wonderful to see parents in school and online for the Year 10 Information Evening this week. We hope that the evening was both informative and reassuring, equipping families with the tools and knowledge to best support their children as they embark on Key Stage 4.

Year 9 have had an exciting start to the term. They now have the opportunity to take part in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award programme, which provides a fantastic chance to develop new skills, resilience, and independence. On Tuesday 9th September, Year 9 also took part in a workshop delivered by Loudmouth, an educational theatre group. The session aimed to help young people build safe, happy, and healthy relationships—an important aspect of their personal development.

Year 8, no longer the youngest in the school, are stepping up confidently and we hope many will embrace greater leadership opportunities this year.

We are also looking forward to the election of our **new House Captains**. Applications are due by **Monday 15th Septembe**r, and we wish all candidates the very best of luck.

Finally, it was fantastic to see pupils from Years 7 to 11 working together on Friday in our bridge challenge. This whole-school activity encouraged teamwork, creativity, and problem-solving, while giving pupils the chance to demonstrate our school values of Ambition, Respect and Opportunity. It was a wonderful way to begin the term with energy, collaboration, and a real sense of community.

I am excited for the year ahead and know that, together, we will continue to make this a successful and inspiring year for all our pupils.

WELCOME





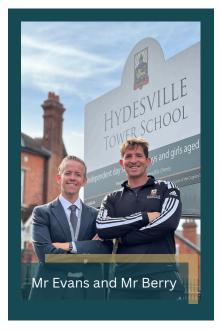
We are delighted to welcome both our returning pupils and those who are joining us for the very first time. It is wonderful to see familiar faces back in school, and we are equally excited to greet our new pupils as they begin their journey with us.

We are also pleased to introduce new members of staff.

- Mr. Evans joins us all the way from Singapore. He has already had a fantastic couple of weeks getting to know our pupils and parents, and we are excited for the experience and enthusiasm he brings to our school community.
- Mr. Berry joins the PE department with a wealth of experience. A keen cyclist, he enjoys using music to inspire and motivate exercise, and we are thrilled to welcome him to the team.



We look forward to a vibrant and successful year ahead.



WELCOME TO NEW TEACHERS

Mr Evans Year 6 Prep School

It's been wonderful getting to know the school community and experiencing the friendly, supportive atmosphere that makes Hydesville so special.

Mr Berry
Head of PE

I have been overwhelmed by the welcome I have received by the staff and pupils at Hydesville. It is such a friendly happy place. I already feel part of the family.

THOUSANDS JOIN SCHOOL CHOIR





YOUNG VOICES

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This year marks the 30th anniversary of Young Voices, so it will be even more special. Pupils who take part will join thousands of children from across the UK to form the largest school choir in the world - singing, dancing, and performing with professional artists in front of a live audience.

If you would like your child to get involved in this exciting opportunity, please sign up via Cognita Connect/Parent Pay once the trip is officially launched.

We hope as many pupils as possible will join our school choir for what promises to be a truly memorable occasion.







EXCELLENT WORK





CELEBRATING TINA'S ARTISTIC TALENT!

ENTERING THE ISA ART COMPETITION

Over the summer holidays, Year 8 pupil Tina has impressed us all with her incredible creativity and skill. She has produced two stunning oil paintings; one of a vibrant vase of tulips, and another of a serene lakeside scene with swans framed by a tree.

Both pieces are truly outstanding, and we know Mrs Shaw will have a tough decision choosing which to enter for the upcoming ISA Art Competition.

Well done, Tina! A fantastic achievement!

SPORTING SUPER STAR POTENTIAL

Year 7 performed exceptionally well during numerous physical challenges and tests. They even completed the gruelling Multistage Fitness Test, sometimes referred to as the beep test, which is especially challenging at higher levels.

Over half of Year 7 reached level 5.4, the minimum fitness requirement to join the Police Force. 3 pupils even smashed past the 8.8 level required for the Fire Service! Congratulations to Vian, Mahaan and Priya who all achieved a result in the excellent category, with levels 11.6, 9.4 and 12.0 respectively.





MUSICAL TALENT





PIANO EXAMS

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Well done to all the pupils who successfully passed their piano exams and are now ready to take their budding skills to the next level.

Mrs Anslow is thrilled with their results and looks forward to supporting their ongoing advancement.

GREAT RESULTS

Initial grade

Arjun B- DISTINCTION
Samuel G - MERIT
Gia K - DISTINCTION
Avi K - DISTINCTION
Nyran N- MERIT
Nirvair N - DISTINCTION











GURVIR

Gurvir is Star of the Week for demonstrating maturity, independence and a good attitude to learn.



MARYAM

For excellent listening, superb manners, and for working hard throughout the week.





















CONGRATULATIONS

EXTERNAL CERTIFICATES		
Year	Name	Reason for certificate or award
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1	Khushie S	Orange Grade – Martial Arts
		Active Gym Skills Level 2
	Khushie S	10 metres swimming
	Khushie S	Story Garden Summer Reading Challenge
	Lorenzo SB	Story Garden Summer Reading Challenge
	Alfie SS	
2	Sahib P	LAMDA Stage 1
	Ayva S	Summer Challenge (raised £230 for charity, walked
		82 miles)
	Ayva S	Summer Reading Challenge
3	Maya P	LAMDA Stage 1 - Distinction
4	Dylan C	Swimming
	Aydin R	Football Awards
5	Anaya S	Summer Reading Challenge
	Zaydan R	Football awards
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SENIOR AWARDS







SCHOOL VALUES











To our Year 6 Pupils who are sitting the 11 plus examination on Saturday



Just keep believing in yourself, and you will surely achieve your goals.