HYDESVILLE TOWER SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

Friday 18th September 2026 | Hydesville Tower School



It has been another busy and positive week at Hydesville Tower School, and it has been wonderful to see our pupils continuing to settle so confidently into the new academic year.

Across the school, there is a real sense of purpose and enthusiasm. Whether in the classroom, taking part in enrichment opportunities or spending time with friends, our pupils continue to demonstrate the positive attitudes, curiosity and determination that make Hydesville such a special community.

As we move further into the term, it is particularly pleasing to see pupils embracing the many opportunities available to them. Our focus remains firmly on providing an education that combines high academic expectations with opportunities for every child to grow in confidence, develop their talents and discover new interests

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One of the great strengths of Hydesville is the sense of community that exists between pupils, staff and families. I would like to thank our parents for their continued support and our staff for the energy and commitment they bring to school each day. Working together plays such an important part in ensuring that our children feel happy, supported and able to achieve their very best.

As you read this week's newsletter, I hope you enjoy seeing just some of the learning, achievements and experiences that have taken place across the school. There is already so much to celebrate, and I am looking forward to seeing what our pupils accomplish in the weeks ahead.

Mrs Samra

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🎉🎂 Happy 74th Birthday to Hydesville Tower School! 🎂

Wednesday we celebrated 74 years of memories, friendships, learning and our wonderful Hydesville community. 💙

We are so proud of our history and grateful to everyone who has been part of our journey.

Here's to 74 years — and many more to come! 🥳🎈



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Welcome to our Wonderful World of Learning in Nursery

A very warm welcome to all of our new and returning children and families! It has been a wonderful start to the new term, and we are so proud of how beautifully the children have settled into nursery and preschool.

Our new children have settled in wonderfully, beginning to form lovely relationships with their new friends and getting to know their key practitioners. It has been fantastic to see their confidence grow as they become familiar with their new surroundings, routines and daily experiences. Our returning children have also been wonderful role models, helping to welcome new friends and supporting them as they become familiar with nursery life.

Throughout the days, we have been providing the children with a range of engaging, exciting and purposeful activities that encourage them to explore, investigate and learn through their child-initiated play. We follow the children's interests and ideas, creating opportunities for them to make choices, develop their imagination and become active participants in their own learning.

It has been lovely to see the children becoming increasingly confident, curious and engaged as they explore their environment and build relationships with those around them. We are looking forward to seeing all of the wonderful learning, friendships and experiences that the rest of the term will bring!

Well done, everyone on such a fantastic start to your Hydesville journey!





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A Fantastic Start to Our Year 3 Laptop Launch!

We were thrilled to welcome parents and pupils into school this week for our exciting Year 3 laptop launch workshop! It was a brilliant opportunity for families to dive in and explore the new devices together.

- Digital Leaders in Action: A huge thank you to our Year 4 and 5 prep pupils who stepped up as fantastic digital leaders, helping guide everyone through the tech.
- Testing Platforms Together: Families teamed up to test out core school platforms like Canva, Microsoft Teams, Accelerated Reader, and Minecraft Education, picking up new skills remarkably quickly.
- Creators, Not Consumers: We explored the importance of empowering children to be digital creators rather than just consumers—focusing on coding, designing, and building.
- Online Safety & Balance: Parents and children also worked through online safety tasks and activities focused on building healthy, balanced screen-time routines.

Year 3 are so excited to begin their laptop journey and use these devices as a valuable learning tool! Thank you to everyone who came along and supported the session.







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Year 10 and 11 Take Part in “Calling It Out” Workshop

Last week, our Year 10 and Year 11 pupils participated in Calling It Out, an engaging theatre-in-education programme delivered by Loudmouth Education.

The session combined a live performance, character Q&A and interactive workshop to explore issues surrounding sexual harassment, harmful behaviours and the importance of keeping ourselves and others safe.
The programme encouraged pupils to think critically about respectful relationships, the role of bystanders, and where to seek support if needed.

The session formed part of our PSHE and safeguarding curriculum, helping pupils build the knowledge, confidence and skills needed to make safe and responsible choices.





AWARDS

STAR OF THE WEEK

Reception Star of the Week



KAYSAN K

Congratulations

AWARDS

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD



AYAAN B



KISWAH Q



ARJUN A



AVRAAJ T



DYLAN M



AVAANI K

LEADERSHIP ROLES

Ambassadors



Anti-Bullying Ambassadors







LEADERSHIP ROLES

House Captains







Eco-Committee



Pupil Voice



CERTIFICATES



Digital Leaders



LAMDA

EXTERNAL CERTIFICATES



DEPUTY HEAD SENIOR SCHOOL WELCOME

It has been fantastic to welcome our pupils back for the start of another academic year. There is always a real sense of excitement in September, but this year there is even more to look forward to, with a number of new developments across our Senior School.

We are delighted to have introduced Food and Nutrition into the curriculum for Years 7–9, with pupils already beginning to develop their practical skills in our recently renovated Food Technology room. Our new Art room has also been a big hit, providing a fantastic new space for pupils to be creative. We are equally excited about the opening of our new gym and immersive learning room and cannot wait to see pupils making full use of these facilities once they are ready. Perhaps one of the most eagerly anticipated developments, particularly amongst some of our boys, is the long-awaited netting around the Astro! Hopefully bringing an end to quite so many footballs disappearing over the fence into the Arboretum!

A particularly warm welcome goes to our new Year 7 pupils, who have made an excellent start to Senior School life. It has been lovely to see them growing in confidence, making new friendships and becoming familiar with their new routines.

At the other end of the school, Year 11 have begun what will be an important and busy year as they work towards their GCSE examinations. We will be supporting and encouraging them throughout the year to remain focused, ambitious and positive as they approach this important milestone.

Year 10 are taking their first steps into Key Stage 4 and have now begun studying their GCSE option subjects. This is an exciting transition as they experience greater depth and challenge in the subjects they have chosen.

Our Year 9 pupils also have plenty to look forward to, including the opportunity to begin their Duke of Edinburgh's Award. This is a wonderful opportunity to develop independence, resilience, teamwork and new skills beyond the classroom.

Meanwhile, Year 8 have discovered that they are no longer the youngest members of Senior School! We hope they will build on the confidence they developed last year and begin to take on greater responsibility and leadership within our school community.

Leadership opportunities are already underway across the school. We are looking forward to electing our new House Captains and announcing our Year 11 Prefects. Voting for House Captains will take place on Tuesday 22nd September, and we wish all of our candidates the very best of luck.

There is certainly much to look forward to, and I am excited to see what our pupils will achieve over the coming year. As always, we want every pupil to embrace the opportunities available to them, demonstrate our values of Ambition, Respect and Opportunity, and play their part in our close-knit school community.

I also look forward to welcoming Years 7 and 10 parents and carers to our Information Evening and Parent–Teacher Meetings on Wednesday 7th October. We hope the evening will provide useful information and reassurance, as well as an opportunity for us to work together to support pupils as they progress through these important stages of their education.

Here's to a happy, successful and rewarding year ahead.

Mrs Dhadda

SENIOR AWARDS













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ART AWARD



MUSIC AWARD



SPORT AWARD

Open Day

3rd October | 10AM - 12PM

BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW



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Sep 24, 2026	Children's University Launch
Sep 26, 2026	European Day of Languages
Sep 29, 2026	U9 Girls Netball Fixture Yarlett v

Prep School Assembly Schedule

Date:	Teacher/Class	Theme
04/09/2026	Mrs Samra	New School Year
11/09/2026	Mrs Chand	British Values
18/09/2026	Mrs Chand/Mr Evans	Pupil Leadership Roles
25/09/2026	Mrs Samra/Mrs Chand	Weekly Awards & Certificates
02/10/2026	Mr Watson	Black History
09/10/2026	Mrs Aiton	Poetry Performance
16/10/2026	Mrs Samra/Mrs Chand	Weekly Awards & Certificates
06/11/2026	Mr Majithia/3A Class Assembly	Diwali
13/11/2026	Mrs Samra/Mrs Chand	Weekly Awards & Certificates
20/11/2026	Mrs Evans/6A Class Assembly	Anti-Bullying
27/11/2026	Mrs Samra/Mrs Chand	Weekly Awards & Certificates
04/12/2026	No Assembly	Prep Theatre Trip
08/12/2026 (Tuesday)	Mrs Dowen Mr Staffiere/Mrs Brown/Mrs Watson	Reception Nativity (am) Year 1/2 Christmas Performance (pm)
11/12/2026	Mrs Samra/Mrs Chand	School Christmas Concert

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Community information

Walsall Family Hub



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BEST START IN LIFE | Walsall Family Hubs

NHS Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust

Speech & Language Therapy
Drop-in advice sessions

Do you have questions about your child's speech or language development? Are you worried that your child is not talking or doesn't understand you? Would you like some advice on general strategies to use at home or learn how to get more support with communication?

If your child is not already known to the Speech and Language Therapy service, you are welcome to come and talk to us at one of our drop-in advice sessions.

Face-to-face drop-ins
(no booking required)

Wednesday 7th Oct	North Family Hub	9.00am – 11.00 am
Thursday 15th Oct	Oak Park Leisure Centre	9.30am – 11.30am
Monday 19th Oct	West Family Hub	9.30am – 11.30am
Monday 14th Dec	South Family Hub	9.15am – 11.30am

Telephone advice line
(see booking details below)

Wednesday 25th Nov Telephone advice 9am – 4.30pm

To book a call back for this date please email walsall.slt@nhs.net with the heading 'virtual drop-in appointment'. Alternatively, call 01922 605400. Please include the following information;

- *Your child's name, date of birth, and GP surgery*
- *Your telephone number and email address*
- *Whether you would prefer morning or afternoon, and if there are any times of the day you cannot receive a call back.*

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