



# HYDESVILLE TOWER SCHOOL



## #HYDESVILLE FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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### A WELCOME FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome Back to a New School Year!

We're thrilled to have everyone back in the school halls, buzzing with excitement after the summer break! The first day was filled with smiles, reunions, and new beginnings. Our classrooms are alive with curiosity and enthusiasm as pupils dive into their lessons and reconnect with friends.

Thank you to all the parents for your continued support, and to our pupils for bringing such wonderful energy into the new school year. Let's make this year one of learning, growth, and unforgettable memories!

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Samra



**Year 10 Information Evening  
Wednesday 11th September -  
starting at 4:30pm**

**Extra-Curricular Clubs  
commence Monday 16th  
September**

# NEWS



## GCSE Results

Hydesville Tower School is thrilled to announce that the Class of 2024 has achieved an excellent set of GCSE examination results, highlighting the school's commitment to academic excellence. Notably, a third of all grades awarded were at the highest levels of 9, 8, and 7 compared to a national average of 21.8 %, with an impressive 95% of students achieving a pass rate at grade 4 and above compared to a national average of 67.6%.

Students particularly excelled in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics) subjects. The school achieved a 100% pass rate in Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Combined Science, Mathematics, Further Mathematics and Art. Over 50% of the grades in Physics, Chemistry and Computer Science were at the prestigious levels of 9-7, with 44% in Biology. In Further Mathematics, 80% of students secured grades 9-7, reflecting their exceptional talent and hard work.

Among the top performers, Nilesch secured six grade 9s, four grade 8s, and one grade 7—a truly remarkable achievement. Nilesch will be continuing his studies at Queen Mary's Grammar School. Kaka, another outstanding student, earned four grade 9s, five grade 8s, and two grade 7s. She is set to continue her education at Bishop Vesey's Grammar School. Ore achieved one grade 9, five grade 8s, and four grade 7s—an extraordinary result that will see her progress to Sutton Coldfield Grammar School for Girls. Jobanpreet, an international student who joined Hydesville in Year 10, achieved two grade 9s, two grade 8s, and a grade 7, 6 and 5—an exceptional performance, particularly being a mid-year joiner and having English as a second language.



# NEWS



## Eco-Award

*Congratulations!*

What a great start to the new school year! This international accreditation recognises the amazing work our Eco-Committee has done in making Hydesville Tower School more environmentally friendly and raising eco-awareness in fellow pupils.

Mrs Samra thanked the Eco-Committee for all their hard work. "It's great to get the award and even better to know how much progress we've made in this important area."



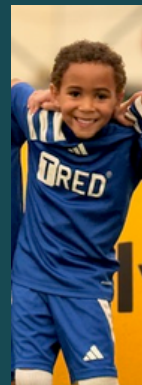
# CONGRATULATIONS



## Congratulations!

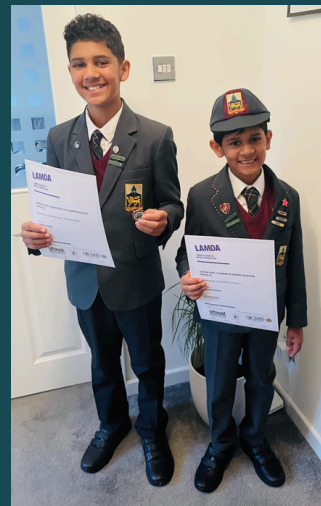


Joshua has been scouted to be a part of the pre academy program at Aston Villa professional football club. He has also been scouted for per academy at Birmingham City.



Congratulations to Roshan who has achieved Distinction in LAMDA Grade 1 Speaking and Prose.

Congratulations to Shaan who has achieved LAMDA Grade 6 Public Speaking Bronze Medal and previously achieved Bronze Medal for Speaking and Prose.



Talia has started her horse riding lessons and has worked very hard to learn new skills such as walking, turning and trotting the horse.

# PREP SCHOOL ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

Date:	Teacher/Class/Year Group	Theme
13/09/2024	Mrs Chand	British Values
20/09/2024	Mrs Chand/Mrs Kenton	Pupil Leadership Roles
27/09/2024	No Assembly	Global Be Well Day
04/10/2024	Miss Crump	Poetry Performance
11/10/2024	Mr Burnham (6A)	Black History
18/10/2024	Mrs Chand	Weekly Awards & Certificates
08/11/2024	Miss Wood (5B)	Diwali
15/11/2024	Mrs Kenton (5A)	Anti-Bullying
22/11/2024	Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 (Dining Hall)	Weekly Awards & Certificates
29/11/2024	Year 3 – Year 6 (Dining Hall)	Weekly Awards & Certificates
06/12/2024	Mrs Downen (RA)	Nativity
10/12/2024 (Tuesday)	Mrs Brown/Mrs Taylor (1A)/Mr Staffiere (2A)	Christmas Performance
13/12/2024	Mrs Chand	Weekly Awards & Certificates

# KEY DATES

Date 2024		Nursery	Prep	Senior
Mon	02-Sep	STAFF INSET DAY		
Tues	03-Sep	STAFF INSET DAY		
Wed	04-Sep	Nursery, Prep School and Year 7 in school		
Thurs	05-Sep	Baseline & WellComm Assessments	Baseline Assessments	Year 8 – Year 11 Return
Fri	06-Sep			
Mon	09-Sep			
Tues	10-Sep		CAT Testing Year 6 CAT Testing Year 5	
Wed	11-Sep		Reception Information 3:15pm – 2:4pm	Year 10 Information Evening 4.30pm – 5.30pm
Thurs	12-Sep		CAT Testing Year 2/Year 4	Baseline CAT Testing Year 7 PW (TBC)
Fri	13-Sep			
Mon	16-Sep		Extracurricular clubs to commence	Extracurricular clubs to commence
Tues	17-Sep			
Wed	18-Sep		Year 3/Year 4 Residential Meeting	
Thurs	19-Sep			
Fri	20-Sep			
Mon	23-Sep			
Tues	24-Sep			Year 11 Geography Fieldwork in Walsall (TBC)
Wed	25-Sep		Children’s University Launch to KS2 Parents 4.00pm TBC	
Thurs	26-Sep			Year 9 Real Apprentice Fair West Bromwich Albion 9.30am-11am TBC
Fri	27-Sep	Global Be Well Day	Global Be Well Day	Global Be Well Day
Sat	28-Sep	Whole School Open Day	Whole School Open Day	Whole School Open Day
Mon	30-Sep		Prep Author Visit	
<b>OCTOBER</b>				
Tues	01-Oct		Black History Month	Black History Month
Wed	02-Oct			Coming to England Lichfield Garrick Year 9 11am TBC
Thurs	03-Oct		National Poetry Day / Navratri until 0.3.10.24 – 12.10.2024	National Poetry Day / Navratri until 03.10.24 – 12.10.2024
Fri	04-Oct			

# KEY DATES

Date 2024		Nursery	Prep	Senior
Mon	07-Oct		New Starter to HTS Meetings by Personal Invitation 1:1	
Tues	08-Oct			
Wed	09-Oct	Individual & class photo	Individual & class photo	Individual & class photo Y7 & New Starters' Settling in Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm
Thurs	10-Oct			
Fri	11-Oct	Taster Session 1-3pm (Theme Role Play)		
Mon	14-Oct			Senior Cross Country Week
Tues	15-Oct			
Wed	16-Oct		Year 3 & 4 Residential Edgmond Hall	Year 11 Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm
Thurs	17-Oct		Year 3 & 4 Residential Edgmond Hall	Year 10/11 Physics Trip to Alton Towers RC Senior School Information Event 5-6pm
Fri	18-Oct	Nursery Bake Off Comp PM	Year 3 & 4 Residential Edgmond Hall	Year 7 to 10 Effort Report Cards and Year 11 Effort & Progress Report Card Issued to Parents
Mon	21-Oct	<b>Nursery Comp Week (until Friday 25<sup>th</sup>)</b>	<b>Half Term Holidays</b>	
Tues	22-Oct		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Wed	23-Oct		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Thurs	24-Oct		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Fri	25-Oct		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Mon	28-Oct	Nursery & Reception Fun Club until Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Tues	29-Oct		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Wed	30-Oct		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
Thurs	31-Oct		Half Term Holidays	Half Term Holidays
<b>NOVEMBER</b>				
Fri	01-Nov		Half Term Holidays/ Diwali	Half Term Holidays
Mon	04-Nov	Diwali	Diwali Celebrations	Diwali Celebrations – Assembly & Art Competition
Tues	05-Nov	Nursery Parent Consultations		
Wed	06-Nov		Anti-bullying Workshops	Year 8 Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm
Thurs	07-Nov			
Fri	08-Nov		<b>Prep Report Card (Years 1-6)</b>	GCSE art sculpture workshop, in school with artist Julie Edwards

# KEY DATES

Mon	11-Nov	Remembrance Day/ Anti-Bullying Week World Nursery Rhyme Week	Remembrance Day/ Anti-Bullying Week/ Odd Socks Day	Remembrance Day & Assembly / Anti Bullying Week Trip to National Memorial Arboretum (TBC)
Tues	12-Nov	World Nursery Rhyme Week	Year 6 – Haden Hill House – Home Front Experience	
Wed	13-Nov		Prep Parents' Evening	
Thurs	14-Nov		Year 1 Bantock House/ Year 5 Trip to Cadbury World	
Fri	15-Nov	Guru Nanak's Birthday/ Children in Need Mad Hatters Tea Party	Guru Nanak's Birthday/ Children in Need	Guru Nanak's Birthday/ Children in Need
Mon	18-Nov	Road Safety Week	Road Safety Week	Road Safety Week
Tues	19-Nov			Year 11 Mock Examinations
Wed	20-Nov			Year 11 Mock Examinations Year 10 Parents' Evening
Thurs	21-Nov			Year 11 Mock Examinations
Fri	22-Nov			Year 11 Mock Examinations
Mon	25-Nov		Prep Assessment Week	Year 11 Mock Examinations
Tues	26-Nov	Settling in Morning- New Joiners for January 25		Year 11 Mock Examinations
Wed	27-Nov			Year 11 Mock Examinations
Thurs	28-Nov			Year 11 Mock Examinations Year 8 Trip to Rock Up
Fri	29-Nov			Year 11 Mock Examinations
<b>DECEMBER</b>				
Mon	02-Dec			Year 11 Mock Examinations
Tues	03-Dec			Year 11 Mock Examinations
Wed	04-Dec	Christmas Jumper Day	Christmas Jumper Day	Year 9 Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm Christmas Jumper Day
Thurs	05-Dec		Reception - Year 6 Trip to Lichfield Garrick Theatre	KS3 A Christmas Carol Birmingham Rep Theatre 10.15am (TBC)
Fri	06-Dec	Nursery and Reception Nativity 9.30am	Nursery and Reception Nativity 9.30am	Year 7 and Year 8 Wizardry Science and English Day Harry Potter Studios RC
Mon	09-Dec	Nursery and Reception Christmas Party	Nursery, Reception and KS1 Christmas Party	Year 7 Rock Up Broadway Plaza Games Lesson DF
Tues	10-Dec		KS1 Nativity 2pm	Year 9 Rock up Broadway Plaza
Wed	11-Dec		Christmas Fair 4pm (Directed Time This Day)	Christmas Fair 4pm
Thurs	12-Dec		Whole School Carol Service	Whole School Carol Service
Fri	13-Dec	Santa's Workshop 9.30am – Comp Taster Session		Year 7 – Year 11 Progress Report Card Issued
<b>1.30pm FINISH FOR WHOLE SCHOOL</b>				



# KEY INFORMATION



HYDESVILLE  
TOWER SCHOOL

*Prep School*

*PE*

*Autumn Term*

Year 1

**Wednesday PE**  
Pupils to come  
to school in  
PE Kit

Year 2

**Tuesday PE**  
Pupils to come  
to school in PE  
Kit

Year 3

**Monday PE**  
Pupils to come  
to school in PE  
Kit

Year 4

**Wednesday PE**  
Pupils to come  
to school in  
PE Kit

Year 5

**Thursday PE**  
Pupils to come  
to school in  
PE Kit

Year 6

**Thursday PE**  
Pupils to come  
to school in  
PE Kit

Pupils need to  
bring their  
swimming kit



Years 5 & 6

Years 3 & 4

**Friday Games**  
Pupils to bring their  
PE Kit to school

**Wednesday Games**  
Pupils to bring their  
PE Kit to school



Uniform list can be found :  
[https://www.hydesville.com/  
prep/uniform/](https://www.hydesville.com/prep/uniform/)