



HYLTON CASTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Weekly newsletter 13 W/E 20th December 2022

PLEASE NOTE: Car park gates are closed between 8.25am - 9.00am & 2.55pm - 3.30pm for safety

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Tuesday 20th Dec 2022**
 - Break up for Christmas
- Wednesday 4th Jan 2023**
 - INSET—NO CHILDREN
- Thursday 5th Jan 2023**
 - CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL
- Tuesday 31st Jan 2023**
 - Y6 Trip - £12.60 -
To be paid by Friday 20th Jan
- W/B 8th May 2023**
 - KS2 SATS -
PLEASE DO NOT BOOK HOLIDAYS

End of Year Message

I'd like to take this opportunity to say thank you to each and every one of you for an amazing term. Thank you for the support you have given to your child(ren) over the term, for the encouragement and backing that enables them to thrive and succeed. Thank you also to your child(ren) – they are truly fantastic! We are regularly complimented on the politeness, good behaviour and enthusiasm when we have visits/visitors. We are so proud of them! Thank you to our brilliant team of staff, who work tirelessly to provide the very best for your child(ren). And finally, thank you to our governors, who volunteer their time to play a vital role in our school. As I said at the carol service, it is an absolute pleasure to work at Hylton Castle Primary School and that is thanks to the whole school community. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all of you!

School Meals

The school meals service is holding a Chinese new year promotional day on Thursday 19th January.

In each year group there will be a lucky "golden ticket" winner of a cupcake set, who will then enter a prize draw to try and win one of eight star prizes, each consisting of a £15 Amazon voucher plus a Chinese lucky dip gift !



- Please remember to order your child's lunches on Evolve
- Orders need to be placed before **Tuesday 12.00 midnight** for the following week. Any orders not received before that time will mean that the children will be given the default meal of jacket potato and a filling each day
 - You can order your meals in advance as far as you like – the school menus run for 4 weeks and then repeat.
 - You can also change your child's meals prior to the cut-off time of Tuesday 12.00 midnight

Happy Birthday to the children who have had Birthdays this week or over the holiday:



- Oscar Philliskirk
- Lucas McMahon
- Sophia Simpson



- Oliver Rushworth



- Hollie Collins
- Noel Lamb

Heroes of the Week



Well done to the children who won this week:

- Jack Quinn
- Reception Class
- Kyon Jukes
- Evie Robins
- Jasmeen Dhillon
- Jack Kay
- Amelia Smith
- Libby Baker-Hogarth

Every week, a 'Hero of the Week' is chosen from each class and they get to add 10 tokens to their house collection!

OPAL update



A huge congratulations to Aaliyah in Reception for winning the prize draw! A huge thank you to everyone who donated to OPAL it is hugely appreciated. 😊



OPAL Superstar



The OPAL Superstar award to someone who has showed a real commitment to OPAL and being a positive role model to others.

- The winner for this week is :
- Maddison Tasker
- A huge well done and keep it up. 😊

House Team Winner

Children have really enjoyed earning house tokens again this term. Because it is the end of the half term, we have counted the tokens and the winning house is:

- Caption Creative - (Purple)

Well done to everyone in that team; we hope you enjoy your special treat bag.

Attendance Awards

Congratulations to the following classes for the best attendance for week ending 9th December:

KS1:Y1	97.00%
KS2:Y3	96.90%

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Year 1



What a busy few weeks we have had with pantomimes, parties and Christmas dinner! Here are year 1 ready to watch Aladdin at the Sunderland Empire last week. Their behaviour was excellent and everyone had a brilliant time.

Year 5

Year 5 have had a good week, on Monday we went to the Beacon of Light to take part in a Goal to Coals workshop. The children found out about what life was like for a miner and information about the Sunderland Football Club. They also had a surprise visit from Samson the Cat. On Friday the children had their Christmas party with their buddies in the Reception class.



Year 6 enjoyed making their final products in DT – steady hand buzzer games. It was quite a challenge especially to get the circuit working but we all gave it a good effort.



Winter and Christmas in Nursery

We have had a very busy few weeks getting ready for Christmas in Nursery. We have been making Christmas cards, calendars and Christmas decorations to hang on our trees. We were very excited that it started to snow this week so we could explore the outdoor area. We made footprints in the snow and enjoyed breaking the huge bits of ice. In the last week we enjoyed our Christmas party with the Year 6 children. They were really helpful and seemed to really enjoy themselves too. We also enjoyed the pantomime; it was very noisy but we were all so sensible.

We have had a lot of fun these last few weeks, but we are all definitely ready for Santa coming now!



Reception

The children have had a lovely trip to Beamish this week. They have had such a busy day. We have visited Eather Christmas, saw some animals around beamish, joined in some traditions of Christmas from the past - playing 1820s games at Pockerley Hall, listened to a story round the fire and made our own peg dolls. We also had a walk around the 1950s town and through the 1900s town. It was very different to walking through town today. On the way we found lots of naughty elves! And the shops looked a little different too. We even found a little elf village in the woods! What an amazing day and a tiring one too. The children really enjoyed their day and were very well behaved.

