



# HYLTON CASTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## Weekly newsletter 22 W/E 17th March 2023

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

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### Wednesday 15th Mar 2023

Industrial action – Nur & Rec in school Only

#### Thursday 16th Mar 2023

Industrial action – Nur & Rec & Y6 in school Only

#### Friday 17th March 2023

- Comic Relief -  
dress silly

#### Wednesday 22nd Mar 2023

Y2 Trip - £10.70 -

To be paid by Thursday 15th Mar

#### Wednesday 29th Mar 2023 -5pm

Drama Performance - Tickets FREE

To be collected by Monday 27th

#### Friday 31st March 2023

Break up for Easter

#### Monday 17th April 2023

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

#### Monday 1st May 2023

Bank Holiday– school closed

#### Friday 5th May 2023

King's Coronation day meal

To be booked & paid (£2.40) by Friday 21st April

#### Monday 8th May 2023

Extra Bank Holiday–school closed

#### W/B 8th May 2023

KS2 SATs -

**PLEASE DO NOT BOOK HOLIDAYS**

#### Friday 26th May

- Y6 Trip - £5.35 -

To be paid by Friday 19th May

- Break up for half term

#### Monday 5th June 2023

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

#### Thursday 20th July 2023

Break up for Summer

### Parent Governor Vacancy

We still have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Mrs Wood.

### Happy Birthday to the children who have Birthdays this week:

Jaxon Hutchinson  
Jake Givens  
Kayden Gibson



### Attendance Awards

Congratulations to the following classes for the best attendance for week ending 10th March:

KS1:Rec 96.67%  
KS2:Y3 96.43%

### OPAL Superstar



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

The winner for this week is :

- Noah Smith

A huge well done and keep it up.



### Heroes of the Week



Well done to the children who won this week:

- Lacey Parker
- Mollie Tasker
- Dexter Morris
- Harper Burnicle
- Harry Cruddas
- Evie Hope
- Lucas McMahon
- Ryan Kennedy

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

### Mrs Parkinson

Earlier this week marked the two-year anniversary of Mrs Parkinson's death. We held an intimate service in school, during which this plaque, dedicated to Mrs Parkinson, was unveiled by her son and daughter.

Mrs Parkinson worked at Hylton Castle Primary School for over 43 years, with 3-generations of some families, and we hope this small tribute encourages people to continue to remember Mrs Parkinson for many years to come.

Thank you to our choir and school council who did a brilliant job in representing the school during the service.



### Behaviour

Hylton Castle Primary School has high expectations for behaviour. Any behaviour that falls short of these expectations are addressed following school policies and may/do include after-school detentions/suspensions, alongside appropriate restorative/positive interventions. We are dedicated to preparing children to take their place in society and, above all else, prioritise safety within school.

### Sunderland AFC Flag-Bearers

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March, six children represented our school as flag-bearers at the Stadium of Light when Sunderland AFC took on Sheffield United. Congratulations to the following children who were selected based on their outstanding behaviour, attitude and attendance:

- Libby Baker-Hogarth
- Sienna Colledge
- Anthony Jude-Nduka
- Jessica King
- Colin Sheraton
- Maddison Tasker

Although it was very cold and wet, everyone had a brilliant time. Thank you to AK Teaching for giving us this fantastic opportunity.



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FROM ALL OF THE STAFF AND PUPILS AT HYLTON CASTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL



### OPAL update

Please see attached out Parent Guide for OPAL, explaining the positive impact play has on your child's development and how you can support. 😊

### World Book Day Window

Thank you for sending in your child's World Book Day t-shirts, which are now displayed in our hall window, at the front of the school. The t-shirts are double hung (i.e. one on the inside and one on the outside) so if you can't spot your child's t-shirts from the outside, it will be visible from inside the hall.

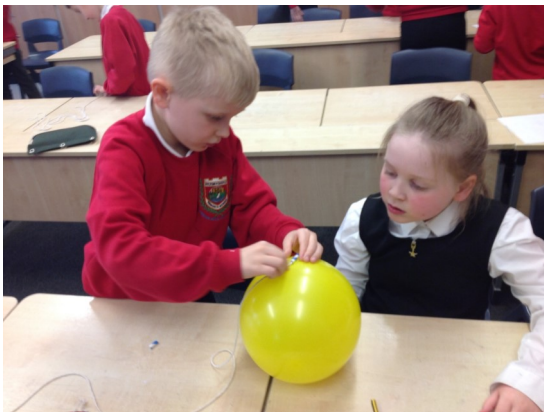
Thank you also to the staff who have done a magnificent job in creating this new display.

We hope you enjoy guessing our children's favourite books!



### Year 3

Year 3 pupils have been enjoying taking part in the 2023 Science Week in school this week. We have learned all about our chosen scientist, Sir Isaac Newton, and have been trying out a few experiments in class to demonstrate his findings on gravity and the 'Three Rules of Motion'. They are quite tricky to understand but we have had great fun trying! We have also been experimenting on gummy bears to see if putting them in water of different temperatures changes them in any way. We were amazed to discover that they grow even bigger in cold water!



### Year 4

Year 4 had a fantastic trip to Beamish to support and learn more about our History topic, 'The Victorians'. Children were able to see what life was like then and compare it to life now. They were able to watch a demonstration at the sweet shop (before some then bought their own). They visited the hairdressers, the bakery, the stables, the bank, the school and many more. They made some great comparisons and differences to the classrooms then and now. We were also accompanied by the snow, which the children were excited about.



### Nursery

This week Nursery carried out an experiment for Science Week. We looked at how we could change the shape of different sweets, we chose jelly babies! We had two different types of jelly babies and we tried to squash them or stretch them to see which one worked best! When we squashed the jelly baby it went really small and when we stretch the jelly baby it's head or legs ended up falling off! At the end of the experiment we had a little treat and got to eat the jelly babies which was our favorite part!



### Year 6

Year 6 enjoyed a trip to Safety Works where they learned all about different aspects of staying safe from fire awareness to road safety to keeping safe around trains. Everyone listened really well and I'm sure they'll remember these important messages in the future.

