



# HYLTON CASTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## Weekly newsletter 7 W/E 24th October 2025

**PLEASE NOTE: Car park gates are closed between 8.25am - 8.45am & 3.10pm - 3.35pm for safety**

### Dates for your Diary

#### W/B 3rd November 2025

Derwent Hill Trip

#### Monday 3rd Nov 2025

Children return to school

#### Monday 10th Nov 2025

- Odd Sock day
- Nur am workshare - 10.30am
- Y4 workshare - 2.00pm
- Nur pm workshare - 2.30pm
- Y1 workshare - 2.30pm
- Y3 workshare - 2.30pm

#### Tuesday 11th Nov 25

- School photo day - normal school uniform on top for all children

Pre-school siblings to the office at 8.30am

- Y6 workshare - 1.45pm

#### Wednesday 12th Nov 2025

- Wellbeing day - wear red
- Rec workshare - 2.00pm
- Y2 workshare - 2.00pm
- Y5 workshare - 2.00pm

#### Friday 14th Nov 25

Children in Need - Dress Down - cake sale

#### Thursday 20th Nov 25

Flu immunisation

#### Friday 5th Dec 25

Christmas Jumper Day

#### Friday 19th Dec 2025

Break up for Christmas

#### W/B 11th May 26

KS2 SATS - all children have exams throughout May

### Attendance Awards

Congratulations to the following classes for the best attendance for week ending 24th October

KS1:Rec	99.67%
KS2:Y4	92.41%



### Anti Bullying

We're excited to invite parents and carers into school for our **Annual Anti-Bullying Workshops**. This year's theme is **"The Power of Good"** — a celebration of kindness, respect, and positive actions.

We would love for you to **join us** and take part in some shared learning with your child. It's a wonderful opportunity to explore how we can all work together to create a caring, inclusive school community.

- Nursery AM - Mon 10th Nov 10.30am - 11.30am
- Nursery PM - Mon 10th Nov 2.30pm - 3.30pm
- Reception - Wed 12th Nov 2.00pm - 3.00pm
- Year 1 - Mon 10th Nov 2.30pm - 3.15pm
- Year 2 - Wed 12th Nov 2.00pm - 3.00pm
- Year 3 - Mon 10th Nov 2.30pm - 3.15pm
- Year 4 - Mon 10th Nov 2.00pm - 3.00pm
- Year 5 - Wed 12th Nov 2.00pm - 3.00pm
- Year 6 - Tues 11th Nov 1.45pm - 2.45pm

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

Lincoln	Race	
Lyla	Sloanes	
Ava	Galer	
Harrison	Winter	
Scarlett	Campbell	

### Heroes of the Week



Well done to the children who won this week:

- Amelia Hill
- L-Jay Dennis
- William Akinosun
- Lacey Parker
- Dexter Morris
- Ruben Lawton
- Aiva Shipley
- Sapphire Whittle

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

### Anti - Bullying Week

On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November we will be celebrating 'Odd Socks Day' for Anti Bullying Week. All you need to do is wear odd socks! It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique. During this week each class will also be holding a work share where parents are invited into school to complete some tasks all about Anti - Bullying. It would be great if you could join us.



### 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:

- The Determinator (Blue)

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

### Wellbeing Day - Responsibility Ranger

On Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November we will be hosting our next wellbeing day. The theme for this one is the 'Responsibility Ranger' and will link to the five ways to wellbeing theme 'Connect.' Pupils will complete a variety of tasks throughout the day focused on mental health and improving wellbeing. We would love it if children could come to school wearing an item of red. Many thanks for your continued support.



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### **OPAL Bingo is Back!**



This half term, we're excited to announce the return of **OPAL Bingo!**

We would love for children to help us collect some exciting **loose parts** to develop our **Tinkering Shed** — a creative space full of interesting resources for play and exploration. The bingo board is attached to the newsletter outline all the items we are collecting.

Each class will work together as a team to collect as many OPAL Bingo items as possible. The class that collects the most will win a **movie afternoon** in school!

Let's get collecting and see which class will take the prize!

**Happy collecting!** 🌟 😊

### **OPAL Hero**

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

The winners for this week is:

- Axel Morris

A huge well done and keep it up.



### **Halloween Party**

Everyone had a fantastic time filled with fun, laughter, and loads of spooky party games. The costumes were absolutely incredible — so much creativity and effort from everyone



### **Clothing Donations Needed**

We are kindly asking for donations of items to help stock our school's spare clothing supplies. These are used when children need a quick change during the school day.

We would really appreciate donations of:

- 👕 Children's underwear (all sizes)
- 🧦 Socks and black/grey tights
- 👙 Black/Navy Blue swimming costumes or trunks
- 🧢 Swimming caps
- 🧺 Towels

All donations can be brought to the school office. Every contribution, big or small, helps ensure we have what we need to keep our children comfortable and cared for throughout the day. Thank you for your continued support and generosity! ❤️

### **Children in Need – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November**

We are dressing down this year for Children in Need. Children are welcome to wear merchandise (Pudsey ears, onsie, t-shirts etc), or their own clothes. There will be buckets on the yard as the children come into school for donations to this amazing charity.

We will also be having a cake sale on this day and we would appreciate donations of cakes. Children can buy cakes during breaktime on Friday. Nursery & reception children will also be able to buy cakes. Cakes will be priced between 10p and 50p and change is much appreciated! All monies raised will go direct to Children in Need.



Year 6

Year 6 enjoyed exploring how to use different tools and techniques with clay to create different effects ready for designing and making our own Greek theatre masks.



Year 6

Year 6 have been studying classification in science this half term. We went into the woods to find examples of the four main groups of plants: conifers, flowering plants, ferns and mosses. We had to think about their characteristics when we were identifying them.



Year 4

Year 4 enjoyed dressing up for Halloween this week. We had lots of different scary costumes! Best dressed was awarded to Mia Hutton at our Halloween disco.



### Nursery

This week nursery children created Halloween cupcakes. They used scales to weigh the ingredients, mixed the batter and spooned it into bun cases. After that, they decorated their own cupcake to resemble bats, ghosts, monsters, or spiders. They look fabulous! Naturally, during snack time, the children enjoyed them with a cup of milk and some fruit. Delicious! Well done nursery.



### Year 4

In year 4, we have been completing our water colour painting. We all chose a piece of artwork by Georgia O'Keeffe and used viewfinder to focus on one part of the painting. We used different brush strokes, shades and tones to create focus and precision in our art.

