



HYLTON CASTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Weekly newsletter 9 W/E 14th November 2025

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

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 20th Nov 25
Flu immunisation

Friday 5th Dec 25
• Christmas Jumper Day
• Christmas Fayre - 1.30pm

Tues 9th Dec 2025 - 9.30am
Reception Nativity play

Wed 10th Dec 2025
Christmas lunch - Adults £3.50
(MUST be booked & paid by 28th Nov - we CAN NOT take any after this date)

Friday 12th Dec 2025
Rec & Y5 party

Monday 15th Dec 2025
Y2 & Y4 party

Tuesday 16th Dec 2025
Nur & Y6 party
All nursery children to attend 12.30pm - 3.30pm ONLY

Wednesday 17th Dec 2025
Y1 & Y3 party

Thursday 18th Dec 2025
Whole school Sunderland Empire panto - £10.00 per child
to be paid by 5th Dec
All nursery children to attend 8.30am - 1.00pm ONLY

Friday 19th Dec 2025
• Carol service - 10.00am & 2.00pm - more info to follow
• Break up for Christmas

W/B 11th May 26
KS2 SATS - all children have exams throughout May

Happy Birthday to the children who have Birthdays:



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| Orla | Keogh |
| Ruben | Lawton |
| Winter | Parker |
| Jace | Jones |

Christmas Dinner

Christmas dinner is on Wednesday 10th December, this year we are inviting **ONE** 'Special Person' to join their child if they wish too. This may be Mam, Dad, Grandparent, family friend or anyone close that would like to come. If you would like to attend, cost is £3.50 for a Christmas meal with dessert. please make payment on the council website stating the name of the child/children. & if there are any special dietary needs.

You will need to order and pay for the meal before **Friday 28th November.**

If your child brings a packed lunch from home & would like a school dinner. please contact the office to book this £2.50 per child (There is no charge if your child is in KS1 or are on free school meals)

We will inform you closer to the day what your time slot it will be.

Please note we can not book any dinners after this date

REMINDER- -Pantomime

We will be taking all of the children to the Sunderland Empire on Thursday 18th December to watch Sleeping Beauty. The cost of admission & transport is £17.50. We are asking for a contribution from parents of **£10.00**, the remainder balance will be paid by school. Children can bring their own drink (not fizzy) and sweets for the performance.

Payment to be made by Friday 5th December.



Heroes of the Week



Well done to the children who won this week:

- Roman Horler
- Prezley Holburt-Kelly
- Axel Morris
- Evie Lucas Collings
- Anna Robins
- Sebastian Leach
- Sophie Gardner
- Franklin Morse
- Elsie Glover
- Reece Almond
- Ronne Smith
- Lilia Walt
- Bobby Baker

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

REMINDER - Christmas Jumper Day

To coincide with our Christmas Fayre, we will be having our Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 5th December.

We'd like to organise a Christmas jumper swap. If you have any old Christmas jumpers, please bring them to school by Wednesday 26th November and we will have them out for people to take from Friday 28th November.



Attendance Awards

Congratulations to the following classes for the best attendance for week ending 14th November

KS1:Y1	96.33%
KS2:Y4	95.17%



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:

- Joey Spencer

A huge well done and keep it up.



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OPAL Weekly Update



This week, our new OPAL Monitors have been hard at work! The team met to explore the resources from our OPAL Bingo and began setting up our exciting new Tinkering Shed. We also helped to fill up the sand pit, ready for everyone to enjoy.

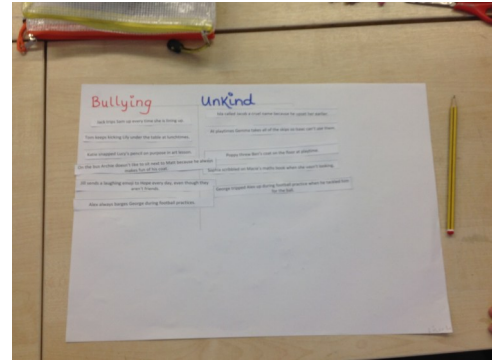
Our new monitors have really taken to their roles brilliantly — working together as a team to support and improve our OPAL provision. A huge well done to the whole team for their enthusiasm and dedication! 🙌 😊

Year 3

Year 3 enjoyed learning about anti-bullying during our annual parental workshare on Monday afternoon. They recited the 'Power for Good' poem for their parents and discussed a range of scenarios to see if they thought they were examples of bullying or just unkindness.

All of the pupils now know that bullying is identified by the acronym-

Several
Times
On
Purpose



...and we all agreed to use our 'Power for Good' and to speak up if we ever saw someone who needed our support.



Year 2

This week year 2 started hockey which they loved and focused a lot on anti-bullying. It was wonderful to have parents join us as part of our anti-bullying week. We reminded ourselves of what bullying is, how we can prevent it and the affects it has. With a little help from our adults, we created some fantastic anti bullying posters and designed some great odd socks.



Year 1

Year 1 have had an amazing time exploring the artwork of Kandinsky. They learned how to mix colours using the prime colours, black and white and created their own 'Circle' piece.



Year 4

In year 4, our science topic is states of matter. This week we made oobleck to look at how this material is both a solid and a liquid. We mixed corn flour, water and food colouring to make oobleck. We had lots of fun rolling it in a ball and punching it as a solid and then letting it melt and liquefy through our fingers. Very messy but very fun!

