



A Message from our Head Teacher

As we approach the festive season, I am delighted to extend a warm welcome to our Christmas Newsletter. Reflecting on the past term, it has been a period of both accomplishment and engagement for both our students and dedicated staff at The Hyndburn Academy.

I trust you will find joy in reading about the remarkable achievements of our students and their active participation in a diverse range of activities. Among the many memorable moments, my highlight was the school show Aladdin which showcased the enthusiasm and involvement of our students.

A special mention goes to the recipients of the Headteacher Awards this term, who have consistently demonstrated outstanding achievement and unwavering effort, Maisy G for Key Stage 3 and Oliver N for Key Stage 4.

Your support as parents and carers has been invaluable throughout the term, whether attending shows, participating in events, or actively engaging in discussions at parents' evenings. Your commitment to supporting your child's progress does not go unnoticed, and we are truly grateful for your partnership.

As we approach the holiday season, I extend my heartfelt wishes for a Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year to you and your families.

Thank you for being a crucial part of The Hyndburn Academy community, and we look forward to an exciting and successful new year ahead.



Miss N Palmer
Head Teacher

Upcoming Key Dates

Wednesday 10th January

School re-opens to students

Friday 12th January

Y10 Mid-Year Assessments start

Wednesday 17th January

Year 8 Parents' Evening 5pm – 7pm

Wednesday 24th January

Key Stage 3 Mid-Year Assessments start

A Magical Triumph: The Hyndburn Academy Shines in Spectacular Aladdin Performances

Families and friends of The Hyndburn Academy were transported to a world of enchantment as students took centre stage in a spellbinding production of Aladdin. Over two consecutive sold-out nights, the school's auditorium came alive with the magic of this beloved tale.

This week marked a momentous occasion as the talented cast and dedicated staff of The Hyndburn Academy showcased their theatrical prowess in a series of dazzling performances. The excitement was palpable as the curtain rose on a production that had been eagerly anticipated since auditions took place back in September.



Led by the stellar performances of Anna E as Aladdin, Skye G as Princess Jasmine, and Jayah C as The Genie, the cast mesmerized the audience with their exceptional talent and dedication. Their on-stage chemistry and charisma brought the timeless story to life, earning them resounding applause and cheers from an appreciative audience.

The joyous atmosphere in the auditorium reflected the anticipation and excitement shared by all who attended. Two evening shows sold out quickly, attesting to the immense popularity of the production.

In a heartwarming addition, local primary school children were treated to a special matinee performance, spreading the magic of Aladdin beyond the academy walls. The laughter and awe of the young audience members added an extra layer of joy to the overall experience.

Behind the scenes, the students demonstrated their commitment to excellence by working diligently to ensure the success of the show. From crafting props during art enrichment classes to the generous support of Andrew Fielding of Fielding Fabrications, a local business owner who provided larger props, the collaborative effort was truly commendable.

Katie Allcott, Performing Arts Lead at The Hyndburn Academy, expressed her admiration, saying, "A massive thank you and congratulations to all that have made this Aladdin production possible; I am truly proud of our talented students and bringing the show a half-term earlier than normal is testament to their commitment."

Miss N Palmer, Headteacher at The Hyndburn Academy, echoed the sentiments, stating, "It has been a joy to witness the incredible talent and collaborative effort of our students, bringing Aladdin to life on our stage. Their commitment and passion shine through, making this production a memorable success."

As the term concludes, The Hyndburn Academy extends heartfelt thanks to all who supported and participated in making Aladdin a magical highlight of the school year. Anticipation is high for more spectacular performances in the coming year.





The Hyndburn Academy Students Navigate the Waters at Salford Watersports Centre in Preparation for Upcoming Rowing Regatta

In a testament to their dedication and resilience, students from The Hyndburn Academy have been making waves at the Salford Watersports Centre as they embark on an exciting rowing journey. The aspiring rowers have been honing their skills both indoors and, on the water, with the anticipation building for their inaugural rowing regatta early next year.

Under the expert guidance of seasoned instructors, the students began their training on indoor rowing machines, cultivating strength, endurance, and technique. Despite the challenges posed by the weather, the students' enthusiasm remained unwavering, and as conditions improved, they eagerly transitioned from the simulated rowing environment to the open waters of the Salford Quays.

The Salford Water Sports Centre, with its state-of-the-art facilities, provided the ideal setting for the students to experience the exhilaration of rowing firsthand. The practical training sessions on the water have not only enhanced their rowing skills but also fostered teamwork, discipline, and a profound appreciation for the sport.

Looking ahead with excitement and determination, the students are gearing up for their first rowing regatta, scheduled for early next year. The regatta, a thrilling competition that marks a significant milestone in their rowing journey, promises to be a showcase of the students' hard work and perseverance.

Impressive Performance by Year 8 Athletes at Inter-School Sports Event

Year 8 students showed their athletic skills at an exciting inter-school sports event hosted by The Hyndburn and Ribble Valley Schools Sports Partnership. They jumped, threw, and ran their best, making their school proud. The event featured competition from nine other schools, adding to the excitement.

A special mention goes to Jacob P, who secured an impressive 3rd place in his race. Jacob's success showcases his hard work and dedication.



Cadets Honor Remembrance Day in Uniform, Gain Insights from Army Careers Session

In a moving tribute to Remembrance Day, our dedicated cadets stood proudly in their distinguished uniforms, embodying the spirit of service and sacrifice.

Dressed immaculately in their Cadet uniforms, the young men and women of our Cadet Corps demonstrated their commitment to honouring and remembering the sacrifices of the past. Their presence served as a powerful reminder of the importance of acknowledging and preserving the legacy of those who fought for our liberties.

As part of this meaningful day, our cadets were fortunate to receive a comprehensive careers session from representatives of the Army. This invaluable opportunity provided insights into the various career paths available within the military, allowing the cadets to explore potential futures in service to their country. The Army careers session was not only informative but also inspiring, as cadets gained firsthand knowledge about the diverse roles and responsibilities within the military.



Alumni Success: EAL Careers Event Connects Past and Present

In a vibrant display of inspiration and shared experiences, the recent EAL (English as an Additional Language) Careers Event welcomed back esteemed alumni who returned to their alma mater to engage with current students. The event proved to be an invaluable opportunity for students to glean insights into diverse career paths from individuals who once walked the same hallways and faced similar linguistic challenges.



Former students, now accomplished professionals in various fields, generously shared their journeys, triumphs, and even hurdles they encountered along the way. The event fostered a sense of community and encouragement, highlighting that linguistic diversity can be a tremendous asset in the professional world.

The returning alumni covered a broad spectrum of industries, showcasing the limitless possibilities available to EAL students. The interactive sessions allowed for open discussions, questions, and networking opportunities, creating a bridge between the past and present, and inspiring the next generation to dream big.

The EAL Careers Event not only celebrated the achievements of former students but also emphasized the importance of perseverance, resilience, and embracing one's unique background. The event was a resounding success, leaving a lasting impact on both current students and the returning alumni who found joy in giving back to the community that played a crucial role in their personal and professional development.

As the event concluded, the spirit of unity and shared aspirations lingered in the air, setting the stage for future collaborations and a continued tradition of success within the EAL community.





Students celebrate achievements with exclusive cinema experience!

In a spectacular celebration of academic success, over 100 students were recently treated to a private cinema viewing of the highly anticipated film "Wonka." The special event was an exciting reward for those who not only excelled in their studies but also for top-performing form groups in the premiership and championship attendance leagues.

The highlight of the reward was the distribution of coveted "Golden Tickets" to the students who emerged victorious in the premiership and championship attendance leagues. These leagues recognised outstanding commitment to punctuality and consistent attendance, emphasising the importance of dedication and responsibility.

Additionally, a select group of students chosen by the Head Teacher and Head of Years received Golden Tickets as a nod to their overall academic achievements, exemplary behaviour, and positive contributions to the school community. The Golden Tickets, reminiscent of the iconic element from the movie "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," added an extra layer of excitement to the reward.

The private cinema viewing provided an exclusive and immersive experience for the students, creating lasting memories as they enjoyed the magic of the silver screen together. The event not only served as a well-deserved treat for the hardworking students but also as a motivational incentive for their peers to strive for excellence in the future.



🌟 ✨ Congratulations to all our Winners this Term! 🌟 ✨

From the exciting Weekly Spin the Wheel triumphs to the exclusive VIP Area conquerors, we're thrilled to celebrate the outstanding achievements of our incredible community! 🎉 🏆 Your enthusiasm and participation have truly made this term special.

The Hyndburn Academy 12 Days of Christmas

In the festive spirit of giving and celebration, The Hyndburn Academy has once again kicked off its much-anticipated "12 Days of Christmas" extravaganza. This annual tradition has become a highlight for students, bringing twelve days of excitement, fun, and a sleigh-load of prizes.

The festivities began with a heartwarming Personal Development Day, where students immersed themselves in the holiday spirit through engaging Christmas Crafts. From handmade ornaments to festive decorations, the school was adorned with the creative expressions of its talented student body.

Adding an element of mystery and delight, the Rudolph Recognition Day took centre stage. Students were received mystery boxes, each containing exciting prizes. The joy and anticipation as students unwrapped their mystery boxes created a buzz of excitement throughout the school.

But the surprises didn't stop there! As part of the 12 Days of Christmas, students engaged in a spirited game of "Elf on a Shelf - Elf P." This mischievous elf embarked on daily escapades, bringing laughter and a touch of whimsy to the school corridors.

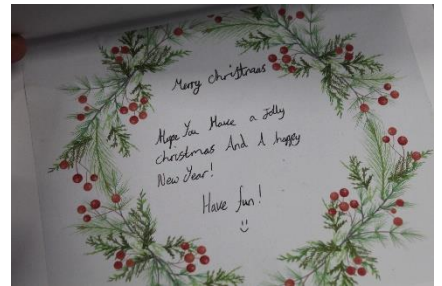
In the spirit of giving back to the community, The Hyndburn Academy also launched a Maundy Relief Food Bank Appeal during this festive period. Students and staff came together to contribute non-perishable food items, spreading warmth and support to those in need during the holiday season.

Adding a touch of fashion flair, the school hosted a Christmas Jumper Creating Workshop, where students unleashed their creativity, designing and crafting their own festive sweaters. The culmination of this creative effort was celebrated on Christmas Jumper Day, as the school donned their festive knits in a colourful display of Christmas cheer.

Miss Palmer's Christmas Quiz brought friendly competition between students. The festive fun reached its pinnacle with the Christmas Awards Assembly, where outstanding achievements and contributions were recognized, bringing the joyous 12-day celebration to a heartwarming conclusion.

As a heartfelt gesture of gratitude, over 500 Thank You Christmas cards were written to staff and students, acknowledging their efforts in making the season memorable. The spirit of appreciation and community collaboration shone brightly, leaving a lasting impact on everyone involved.

As the school year winds down, The Hyndburn Academy is embracing the festive season with open arms, creating memories that will linger long after the tinsel is taken down. The 12 Days of Christmas celebration, complete with surprises, laughter, acts of kindness, and creative workshops, reflects the school's commitment to fostering a positive and vibrant learning environment.





Students Spread Joy with Christmas Hampers for Local Care Homes

In a heartwarming display of community spirit, Year 10 senior students from brought festive cheer to local care homes by delivering thoughtfully crafted Christmas Hampers. The baskets, brimming with homemade gifts and heartfelt cards, were the result of the students' dedication and kindness.

During Personal Development Day, students engaged in a Christmas Crafting Workshop, creating unique and personalized items to include in the hampers. These homemade treasures added a special touch, showcasing the students' creativity and care.

As part of the Cards for Kindness Campaign, students also took the time to pen heartfelt messages in Christmas cards, spreading warmth and good wishes to the elderly residents. The act of writing and giving cards became a meaningful way for the students to connect with the local community during the holiday season.



The Christmas Hampers, filled with love and festive spirit, were gratefully received by the residents of the care homes. Students went beyond simply delivering the gifts; they took the opportunity to sit and chat with the local residents, sharing stories and creating intergenerational connections.

The initiative not only brought joy to the care home residents but also left a lasting impression on the students, fostering a sense of empathy and community engagement.



The Hyndburn Academy Celebrates Outstanding Achievements in Termly Awards Assembly

In a jubilant celebration of academic excellence and exceptional contributions, The Hyndburn Academy recently conducted its termly Awards Assembly, acknowledging and honouring the achievements of deserving students across various categories.

Subject Awards took centre stage, recognising the top learners in Bedrock Sparx Maths, Sparx Reader, and Seneca Learning. The assembly also highlighted commendable efforts in house contribution and attendance, celebrating students who consistently go above and beyond.

The event showcased the dedication and commitment of individuals, as evidenced by the presentation of Head of Year Awards and the prestigious Head Teacher's Awards. These accolades were bestowed upon students who have consistently demonstrated outstanding qualities, contributing positively to the school community.

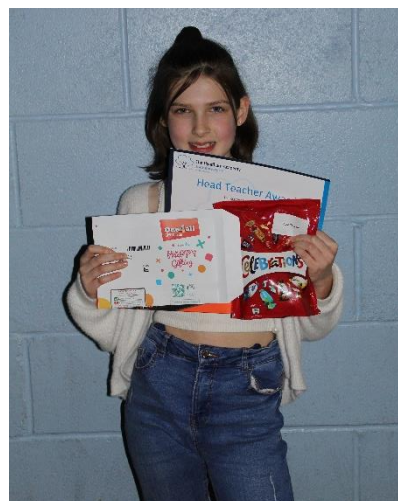
The highlight of the assembly was the reward coin draw, with two students receiving £50 vouchers, and an additional £100 voucher presented to the fortunate recipient drawn from the Head Teacher's gold coins.

The anticipation reached its peak as the assembly concluded with the announcement of the House Cup winner, adding an exciting competitive element to the celebration, and fostering a sense of camaraderie among the school's houses.

Congratulations to all the award winners for their hard work, dedication, and noteworthy achievements. The Hyndburn Academy looks forward to continued success and excellence in the upcoming terms, as students and staff alike remain committed to fostering a culture of learning and achievement.



Reward Coin Winners



Head Teacher Award



Head of Year Awards