



Hampton Hill Junior School

Newsletter

19th December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the festive season, I am delighted to share some wonderful highlights from across our federation.

Our pupils have been incredibly busy showcasing their talents through Christmas performances across every year group. These events have been a wonderful opportunity for our children to demonstrate their singing, dancing, and acting skills. Additionally, we have taken the entire infant school on a magical theatre visit, ensuring every child could experience the joy and wonder of a live stage performance.

A special mention must be made of our staff pantomime of Peter Pan at HHJS, which was written and directed by our very own Mr Bidmead. This performance was a true highlight for me and, I am certain, for many of our pupils. My sincere thanks to Mr Bidmead for his creativity and dedication.

I am thrilled to celebrate some significant achievements. We have been awarded the Music Mark, recognising our fabulous choir, amazing instrumentalists, and our inclusive approach to music teaching. This is a testament to the musical talent and commitment within our federation.

We are also acknowledging some staff changes. We bid farewell and extend our heartfelt thanks to Mrs Bannister, our SENCo, who leaves this Friday to embark on new adventures. Mrs Blake is also stepping down from her SENCo role but will continue teaching Leopard Class. I want to express our sincere gratitude to both for their unwavering dedication. Their commitment to supporting our pupils and families has made an invaluable impact on many lives.

I also want to express my gratitude to both school PTA's who have raised a tremendous amount of money for the schools and held some fantastic events for the children—thank you so much for your time and effort and really making a difference to our schools.

On behalf of the entire staff, I would like to thank our families for your ongoing support, kind words, cards, and gifts. We wish all families a wonderful Christmas and a very happy New Year. We look forward to welcoming pupils back to school on Tuesday, January 6th, 2026.

Warmest wishes,

Zoe Brittain

Federation headteacher

Notices/Reminders



Dates at a glance

January

Monday 5th January—INSET DAY

Tuesday 6th January— Children return to school

Tuesday 6th—Thursday 8th January—Year 3 Safe Walking Scheme

Friday 23rd January—Year 5 V&A Museum trip

Thursday 29th January—Year 4— Royal Ballet Trip

2nd February—12th February—Year 6—Bikeability

16th February –20th February—HALF TERM

Extra Curricular Clubs—Spring Term

Don't forget to sign up for the Spring term Extra Curricular clubs—
details can be found on the school website:

<https://www.cihhjf.school/hampton-hill-junior-school/parents/extra-curricular-provision-clubs-timetable>

Clubs Timetable Spring 26

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chess Club - Monday to		Friday - all year groups		
JA Sports Gymnastics club (10 weeks) 7.30am - 8.30am - 12th January - 23rd March	Choir (10 weeks) 8.10am 13th January- 24th March	Tag Rugby Mixed (10 weeks) 7.30am - 14th January - 25th March	Boys Football (10 weeks) 7.30am - 15th January - 26th March	Universal Method Martial Arts (10 weeks) 8am 16th January - 27th March
Knights Basketball (10 weeks) 3.30pm - 12th January - 23rd March	Universal Method Martial Arts (10 weeks) 8am 13th January - 24th March	Multi Sports (10 weeks) 3.30pm - 14th January - 25th March	Kellys Dance (10 weeks) - YR 3 & 4 - 3.30pm & YR 5 & 6 - 4.45pm 15th January - 26th March	Mixed Netball (10 weeks) 7.30am - 16th January - 27th March
Football Fun (10 weeks) 3.30pm - 12th January - 23rd March	Girls Football (10 weeks) 7.30am 13th January - 24th March	Bake With Rana Club (10 weeks) 3.30pm - 14th January - 25th March	Art Club (10 weeks) 3.30pm YR 5 15th January - 26th March	Jam Coding (10 weeks) 3.30pm 9th January - 20th March
M Tech 3.30pm (10 weeks) 3.30pm - 12th January - 23rd March	Art Club (10 weeks) 3.30pm YR 3 & 4 13th January - 24th March	Boundless Dance & Musical Theatre (10 weeks) 3.30pm - 14th January - 25th March	JA Sports Tennis (10 weeks) 3.30pm 15th January - 26th March	Art Club (10 weeks) 3.30pm YR 6 9th January - 20th March
Twinkle Toes Ballet (10 weeks) 3.30pm - 12th January - 23rd March	Pins & Needles (10 weeks) 3.30pm 13th January - 24th March	Lego Club all Yrs (10 weeks) 3.30pm - 14th January - 25th March	Bake With Rana Club (10 weeks) 3.30pm 15th January - 26th March	
Universal Method Martial Arts(10 weeks) 3.30pm - 12th January - 23rd March	Quiz Club (10 Weeks) 3.30pm 13th January - 24th March			
Strategy Board games (10 weeks) 3.30pm - 12th January - 23rd March	Pokemon Club (10 Weeks) 3.30pm 13th January - 24th March			
	JA Sports Dodgeball (10 Weeks) 3.30pm 13th January - 24th March			

SEND SEGMENT



Welcome to your section of the newsletter for sharing all things related to Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, (SEND)



Dear Parents,

As I write my last SEND segment I wanted to firstly thank you for all the beautiful words and kind gifts. Much appreciated and very touching.

I would also like to share with you my parting words to the children and staff that I delivered in assembly on Wednesday:

As a little girl all I ever wanted was to grow up and be a teacher. I used to play games with my toys lined up as my class and I had a blackboard (shows my age!) and I would teach my imaginary 'class'! So after school, I went to university and trained to be a teacher and in 1992 I had my first ever class. Those children are now 43 years old!

I went on to work in quite a few schools and over time I found that I had a particular passion for helping the children who found school very challenging.

When I had a son of my own, he came to Carlisle and then HHJS. As a parent, when I came to HHJS to meet the teachers or watch him perform in a concert, I always used to say "This school has a special feel and I'd love to work here one day". Then that dream came true! And here I've been for nearly 9 years.

At HHJS we are always telling you to follow your dreams and try new things. That is something I believe in not just for children- but for grown-ups too! Even though I'm much older than all of you, I still have dreams and things I want to learn. I still want to explore new ideas and challenge myself.

And that's why I've made a big, brave decision. I'm leaving HHJS so I can try something new-something that will help me grow just like we encourage all of you to grow. It's not because I don't love being here. In fact, I will miss you all so much.

Before I go, there's something very important I want to say one more time. In this school, every child is special and every child shines in their own way. Some of us learn differently, some of us move differently, and some communicate differently - but all of us have amazing talents and dreams. Children with additional needs aren't just part of our school; they are a wonderful, strong, inspiring part of our community.

When we support one another, include one another, and cheer each other on, we make our school a kinder, happier place for everyone. I hope you will always keep being champions for each other - because every single one of you deserves to feel proud, capable and celebrated.

The staff at HHJS are an incredible team and I've had the privilege to lead the LSA team. They are the quiet heroes of the school, the encouragers, the problem-solvers, the patient guiders, the extra hands, the extra hearts.

They make such a difference every single day and I am so grateful for their hard work and unwavering passion for helping children thrive. It has been an honour to work alongside them.

With VERY Best Wishes, Mrs Tracey Bannister



Carlisle & Hampton Hill Federation

Wrap Around Care

THE HUB

After School Care

For children who attend Hampton Hill Junior School and Carlisle Infant School
Children attending from CIS will be collected and walked to HHJS by The Hub team.

Phone number 020 3823 3303



After School Care

For children who attend Carlisle Infant School

Phone number 020 3823 3289

Our after school clubs are open from the end of the school day until 6pm Monday – Friday during term time only. (Excluding Bank Holidays and School Inset Days)

Children attending clubs may join us from 4.15/4.30pm

Light snacks are provided, sandwiches, picnic treats, vegetable sticks, yoghurt and fruit.

We offer Arts & Crafts, Icing Biscuits, Sports, End of term Parties, Talent shows & Star of the week.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is based at both CIS for the Carlisle children or at HHJS for both Carlisle and Hampton Hill children.

Our Breakfast clubs are open from 7.30 - 8.40am Monday – Friday during term time only. (Excluding Bank Holidays and School Inset Days)

Children attending Breakfast club should arrive and be seated by 8.10 for Breakfast to be served.

If you would like your child to attend any of our wraparound settings please pre-book the sessions on the Arbor portal.

if you have any questions please email wraparoundcare@carlisleandhamptonhillfed.richmond.sch.uk

For CIS Breakfast club based at Carlisle please email info@carlisle.richmond.sch.uk

www.cihhjf.school





CHRISTMAS SEWING WORKSHOPS

Join us for some festive sewing fun, with creative workshops for kids only or special parent-and-child sessions to enjoy together



Kids' Christmas Sewing Workshop

Sunday 7th December
10am-12pm

Let your child get creative this festive season! In this fun, hands-on workshop at **The White House Family Hub in Hampton TW12**, children will make their own Christmas decorations and stockings to take home.



Elf Buddies Christmas Sewing Workshop

Saturday 20th December
2-4pm

Join us for a cosy, festive sewing session at **Patch in Twickenham, TW1** for parents and children to enjoy together. A lovely way to spend quality time and make something special for the holidays.

Visit our website to book a place
and find out more...

www.pinsandneedles.club/christmas-workshops

SCAN TO
BOOK!



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www.pinsandneedles.club

 **You're invited to the** 
Sunflower Christmas Café!



Join us on 20 December for a relaxed Sunflower
Cafe Christmas Celebration.

Enjoy catching up with Sunflower Friends (and
making new ones!) Cake, Christmas Craft and
more.

We're open from 10am at Teddington Baptist
Church, Church Road, Teddington, TW11 8PF.
Come for as long as you're able!