



CASSIOBURY JUNIOR SCHOOL

END OF TERM NEWSLETTER No 39

Thursday 23rd July 2026

Dear Families,

Messages from Miss Sherry..

Thanks and Farewells

Huge thanks for the kind words and thanks from parents. A kind word in a card is the best thanks we can get. I do hope that you all have a great summer and for our Year 6 students, farewell and our best hopes and wishes for you all.

Infections and Small Beasts

Please note that we currently have cases of Tonsillitis, Chicken Pox and headlice in the school. As it is the start of the holidays, it is a good time to check your child's hair and if you find anything, treat the head, clothes (hoodies), bed linen and towels all at the same time.

Internet Outage

Hopefully by the time you read this newsletter, we will have our internet connection restored. This has affected so many elements of school this week. As a small example we are unable to scan our library books back in. Following advice, we moved to running our phones off our internet service and this has obviously meant that we do not have internal and external phone service. We are looking at a better back up system for the future. Thank you for your understanding.

Library Books

Please return books for the end for the school year. Mr Rutherford will run a library in the Year 5/6 building over the summer. Days will be confirmed soon.

Whatsapp Conversations

Please may I remind you that class Whatsapp groups should not discuss children, named or un-named. To do so could impact on a child, feed false information and is not the correct way to approach an issue. It can also impact on progressing a complaint if you have aired it in this way. We should protect the privacy of our own and other's children.

Wedding Bells!

Miss Pollard, our Year 3 Alder Teacher, will return in September with a new surname as she gets married in August and will become Mrs Griffiths. We wish her all the very best.

House Points – Results for 2025/2026

1 st	- Union – Green = 4,852
2 nd	- Chess – Blue = 4,574
3 rd	- Colne – Red = 4,373
4 th	- Gade – Yellow = 4,267

CSA Fundraising – thank you!

The CSA have donated **£7,500** this school year from all the fundraising activities which will really benefit the children in our Junior School.

Thank you to you all for supporting the CSA fundraising events. The CSA will be in touch in the new school year looking for more volunteers – watch this space!

As a result, a new canopy will be installed over the summer on the Year 3/4 playground. A huge thank you to the CSA for all their hard work!

Fun Run

Thank you again for the kind donations following our Fun Run last week. We raised a total of **£1,809.50** towards our school funds!

School Handbook 2026/2027

Please see the link for the School Handbook for 2026/2027 - <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/cassiobury-junior-school/UploadedDocument/9fe74e57-a228-4af7-9a4e-1d719d4247fb/cjs-school-handbook-2026-2027.pdf>

There is lots of information regarding the new school year including how to access Arbor, the School Gateway, information regarding uniform, general equipment required, and extra-curricular activities.

Bike Racks

Following parent feedback, 2 new bike racks will be installed over the summer break in the Year 3/4 playground and behind the Year 5/6 classrooms.

CSA Second Hand Uniform – A message of thanks

Thank you to those who have purchased second hand school uniform from the uniform shop this year, we have raised hundreds of pounds for the school and have saved much preloved uniform from going to landfill.

However, the second-hand uniform shop cupboards are still very full so the shop is only accepting donations of school logo uniform from now onwards for the foreseeable future.

Donations of good quality, clean uniform with the school logo on is welcome.

Parents can donate non logo uniform and grey uniform to charity or put it in clothing bins at the infant school or around town."

GymJams Gymnastics

If your child would like to join the GymJams Club in September, please contact Coach Bev – details below!

Recorder Club for Years 4, 5 & 6 from September 2026

Recorder Club is a fun opportunity for children to develop their musical skills, learn new pieces, and enjoy making music with friends as well as performing in our termly concerts. Whether your child is already confident playing the recorder or would like to build on what they have learned in class, everyone is welcome. Please speak to Mrs Harrison for more details.

Cool Milk – September 2026

As you may be aware our school has a *milk* scheme, administered by Cool Milk. Midmorning *milk* provides a much-needed nutritional boost and keeps children hydrated between breakfast and lunch. Children can reap the benefits of fresh mid-morning *milk* at a subsidised cost. If you'd like to opt in and have not already done so, simply register your child at www.coolmilk.com/parents. If you register by 25/08/26 you could win a supermarket voucher or free *milk* for a year! See leaflet below.

Would your child like to learn an instrument in school?

If your child would like to learn a **brass instrument** (cornet, trumpet, french horn, trombone or baritone), a **stringed instrument** (violin) or a **woodwind instrument** (clarinet or flute or, for Year 4 upwards, the saxophone) please visit the Hertfordshire Music Service website. Once you have made your application, please inform Mrs Harrison in the Junior School Office.

<https://ukhertfordshire.speedadmin.dk/registration#/courselist/3>

If you have any questions about the music lessons in school with our peripatetic teachers, please speak to Mrs Harrison.

Thank You from the Eco Council

On behalf of the Eco Council, we would like to say a huge **thank you** to everyone in our school community for your support and helping our environment.

Every small action—whether it's recycling, saving energy, reducing waste, or taking part in our eco projects—has made a real difference.

The class with the Greenest point this year is **Beech!**

Congratulations Beech!

Thank you for caring for our planet and for supporting the Eco Council throughout the year. Let's keep working together to make our school and our world an even better place!

The Eco-Council have an **ECO CODE** for all Cassiobury JM School's students to follow.

Eat healthily

Can you put your rubbish in the bin?

Or try to reduce, reuse and recycle.

Compost vegetables and fruit.

Occasionally walk to school.

Don't waste water, energy or light.

Everyone in our school can help.

Have a lovely summer break!

School's Eco Councils

Cedar Tree Tuition – Summer School

Please see flyer below.

Mock Transfer Tests 11+

Please see flyer below.

Chess Club – Autumn Term 2026

Please see the flyer below regarding the Chess Club afterschool club which is held on a Tuesday from Tuesday 8th September 2026.

Young Carers Activity Day – Friday 31st July 2026

See flyer below regarding the Young Carers Activity Day.

Cassiobury Tennis Camp

Please see the link from Angie Gunn regarding the Cassiobury Tennis Camp in the Summer - <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/STEVENSHAEACoaching2/Coaching/Camps>

Samurai Kickboxing – September 2026

Please see below regarding the Samurai Kickboxing before school club from September 2026. Please book directly with the club.

Creative Minds Art Club – September 2026

Please see below the Creative Minds Art Club which runs after school on a Monday. Please book directly with Mrs Jain if your child would like to join.

Zumba Disco Club – September 2026

Please see the flyer below advertising the Zumba Disco Club – please book directly with the club.

MHST WOW CAMP 2026

Please see the flyer below regarding the Free NHS Wellbeing Camp for 8-12 year olds.

Fullerians Rugby Club Sri Lankan Event – Saturday 25th July 2026

Please see details below regarding the Sri Lankan Event at Fullerians Rugby Club on Saturday 25th July 2026.

Support Group Opportunities – Herts Mind Network

See information below.

Special Mentions

ALL of 3 Ash – for being superstar learners this year, working your hardest and having a brilliant start to your time at Cassiobury Junior - well done everyone and have a lovely summer!

ALL of 3 Alder - for the kindness that you have shown towards each other and the enthusiasm that you have shown towards your learning. It has been a brilliant year watching you all grow and I have really enjoyed teaching each and every one of you. Best of luck in Year 4.

ALL of 3 Apple – for a wonderful year of learning. You have all been a pleasure to teach and I've loved being your teacher. Good luck in Year 4!

ALL of 4 Hawthorn – for making the year so special and showing great resilience and perseverance. All the best in Year 5!

ALL of 4 Hazel – for an exceptional year in Year 4, giving new challenges a go and trying their very best. Very well done Hazel Class!

ALL of 4 Holly – for such a wonderful year. Thank you for all the laughs, the crafts, the jokes and smiles.

ALL of 5 Pear – for your hard work, enthusiasm, and achievements. Keep up the effort in Year 6!

ALL of 5 Pine – for being an incredible class that Mrs Cooper has taught for two years and Mrs Keating for one year. We have worked hard, built up resilience and occasionally had a giggle!

ALL of 5 Poplar – for having an amazing year. Have a lovely summer and good luck in Year 6.

ALL of Year 6 – for putting on a fantastic end of year production and for making it through to the end of your time at Cassiobury Junior School. We wish you all the very best in your new schools.

Well done to..



Toby N – 3 Alder – for passing his Grade 1 piano exam – Well done!



Uddhava-Hari H – 3 Apple - won the end of summer term basketball tournament, the relentless cup.

Toby N – 3 Alder – for playing piano to the whole school in Singing Assembly this week – Well done!

Farong I – 4 Holly – for playing the violin to the whole school in Singing Assembly this week – Well done!

Year 5 & 6 Choir – for performing to the whole school in Singing Assembly – Well done! Mrs Harrison was very proud of you and thank you for your commitment to choir – I will miss our Year 6's!

Thank you to..

Abigail J, Esme O Damaine B and Filip A – 6 Beech – for being excellent Office Monitors this week – thank you!

Have a lovely Summer Holiday! We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 3rd September 2026.

Miss Sherry and the School Office Team

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JULY 2026	
23rd	Summer Term 2026 ends @ 1.05pm – Break the Rules Day – see School Gateway
SEPTEMBER 2026	
1st	Inset Day – school closed
2nd	Inset Day – school closed
3rd	Autumn Term 2026 starts
11th	Meet the Teacher – 9am
15th	Athletics Festival for new Year 6 playleaders and all Year 3 & 4 children – 1.15pm -3pm
17th	Individual Photos
18th	Jeans for Genes Day
OCTOBER 2026	
1st	Open Morning @ 9am
1st	Reading and Writing Talk @ 6pm
14th	Harvest Festival
18th	Joint Concert with Year 5 & 6 Choir – more details to follow – Save the date!
19th	Parent/Teacher Consultations week
26th – 30th	Half Term
NOVEMBER 2026	
12th	Autumn Term Concert – TBC
13th	Children in Need – non uniform
26th	Year 2 Parent Talk and Tour @ 9am
27th	Occasional Day – school closed
DECEMBER 2026	
9th	Whole School to Rickmansworth Pantomime – AM – more details to follow
11th	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day – more details to follow
15th	TBC – Year 5 Christmas Concert – 6pm – more details to follow
18th	Autumn Term 2026 ends at 1.05pm – non uniform

JANUARY 2027	
4 th	Inset Day – school closed
5 th	Spring Term 2027 starts
FEBRUARY 2027	
9 th	Young Voices Concert @ Wembley Arena – more details to follow
15 th – 19 th	Half Term
22 nd	Lord and Lady Baden Powell (Thinking Day) – Scouting and Guiding uniforms can be worn
25 th	Maths Parent Talk – 6pm
26 th	Open Morning
MARCH 2027	
4 th	World Book Day
24 th	SEND Support Plan Meetings after school
25 th	Spring Term 2027 ends at 1.05pm – non uniform
APRIL 2027	
12 th	Summer Term 2027 starts
MAY 2027	
31 st – 4 th June 2027	Half Term
JUNE 2027	
18 th	Sports Day
25 th	Inset Day – school closed
JULY 2027	
2 nd	Open Afternoon
5 th	Parent/Teacher Consultations week
8 th	Transition Day
21 st	Summer Term 2027 ends at 1.05pm – non uniform
22 nd	Inset Day – school closed
SEPTEMBER 2027	
1 st	Inset Day – school closed
2 nd	Autumn Term 2027 starts
OCTOBER 2027	
25 th – 29 th	Half Term

Support Group Opportunities – Herts Mind Network

Creative Minds:

A **6-week** wellbeing group for children aged **7-11**, which may be helpful for some of the children and families you support.

Creative Minds is a gentle, fun and supportive online course designed to help children explore their thoughts and feelings through creativity. The group supports emotional expression, confidence and wellbeing in an age-appropriate and non-pressured way.

As part of the programme, each child receives a **Creative Box** containing art materials and a workbook to use during the sessions. Each week, children are guided through a different creative activity that encourage:

- Recognising and talking about feelings
- Building emotional resilience and self-esteem
- Developing calming strategies for worries and big emotions
- Connecting with others in a safe and supportive group

No previous art experience is needed. The focus is on **expression, imagination and emotional wellbeing**, not artistic skill. Children are always encouraged to share only at their own comfort level.

This group may be particularly suitable for children who:

- Enjoy creative activities
- Would benefit from gentle emotional support
- Are experiencing worries, big feelings or low confidence

I would be very grateful if you could **share this opportunity with families** who may find it helpful.

Full details, including dates and how to register, can be found on our website here:

👉 [Creative Minds - WithYouth](#)

Anger Avengers:

A **6-week** online group designed to help children (**7-12**) understand and manage feelings of anger in positive ways. Sessions are fun and interactive, using games, activities, and discussion to teach strategies for calming down, expressing emotions safely, and building confidence to manage big emotions.

Group Details:

 Tuesdays 5–6pm (1 hour each week for 6 weeks)

 Online via zoom

Families can access the group by referral (parents, teachers, or professionals can refer).

To register you can go to our website to fill out our online referral form: [Anger Avengers - WithYouth](#)

Or download a copy of the form and email it to us at: withyouth@hertfordshiremind.org

Or call: 0208 189 8400 to speak to one of our support workers directly if you have any questions. Or you can email us at withyouth@hertfordshiremind.org. Alternatively chat with us on our instant messaging between 2pm-10pm every day by clicking the blue chat with us button.



Chess Challengers Club

UK's No.1 leading chess club



Cassiobury Junior School

Bellmount Wood Ave, Watford WD17 3PD

Starts on Tuesday 8th September 2026

Time: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Age : 6 yrs and above

Chess Lessons & Tournaments

Register: chess.challengers@outlook.com



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For KS2 students
in
Yr 3 to Yr 6

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All material will be
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CREATIVE MINDS ART CLUB

After School Art Club at
Cassiobury Junior School

Monday 3.20-4.20pm

You will:

- learn painting and drawing techniques
- use a variety of medium
- create your own fantastic artwork

To book please contact
Namita Jain via email at
njain212@gmail.com or via
phone at 07976967824

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artists!



Summer School 2026

4-day South West Herts Consortium
11+ Revision Course



Keep up momentum over the summer holidays and give your child a confidence boost ahead of their September exams.

Over four focused days, experienced tutors work with each child on the key Maths and Verbal Reasoning GL Assessment topics - sharpening exam technique, filling in gaps, and building confidence in the more challenging content.

Building Confidence, Inside and Out

Children benefit from personalised revision, exam-style practice, and improved technique, helping build confidence and close key knowledge gaps.

The final day includes a therapist-led session focused on managing exam anxiety, mindfulness, and practical strategies for confident performance.

Small groups, experienced tutors, and a clear plan to see your child through to September.

📍 **Ascot Road Primary School, Watford**

Monday 10th – Thursday 13th August 2026
9.10am – 12.10pm

For Bookings:

🌐 www.cedartreetuition.co.uk

✉ info@cedartreetuition.co.uk

☎ 07394 082649

Mock Transfer Tests 11+

When a helping hand is all you need



11+ After School Club

Autumn Term Classes

Starting 14th September- 7th December

Yr 4 class & Yr 5 class

Monday -3.15pm – 4.20pm

- Considering tutoring for the 11+?
- MTT runs an After School Class for Yr4 & Yr5
- Qualified teachers & experienced TA in each class.
- Structured proven programme for the SW Herts Tests
- If you want to enrol, use the following QR code and complete the enrolment form

www.mocktransfertestests.co.uk

enquiries@mocktransfertestests.co.uk Tel: 07427049724



Cassiobury Junior School

Gym Jams Gymnastics

Autumn term Course 2026

Monday breakfast club

@8:00- 8:40am

7th September - 7th December

No session on 26th October

13 week course

Course price £110.50

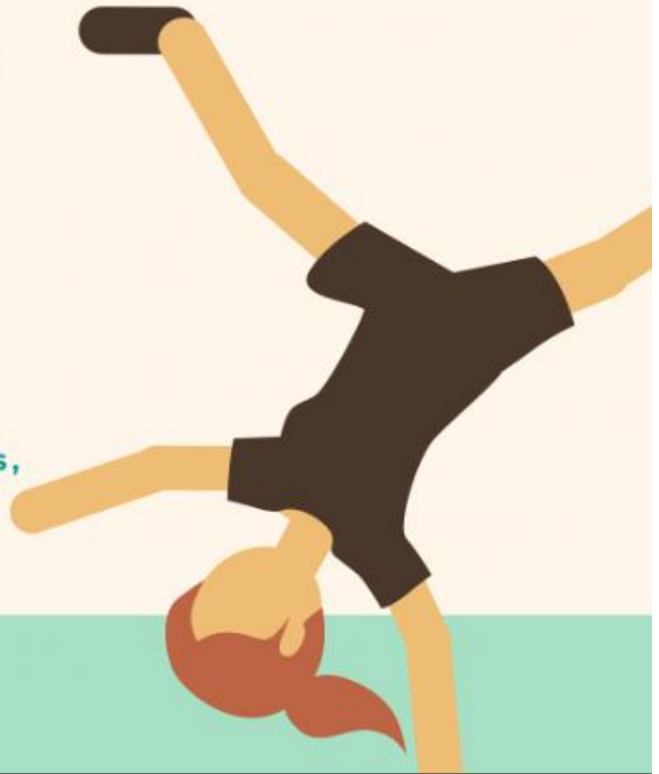
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Young Carers ACTIVITY DAY



Join us for Hertfordshire County Council's first Young Carers Wellbeing Day!

Come along to meet other young carers, take part in activities that support your health and happiness, and most importantly – have fun!

Sessions will include:

- Boxercise
- Art and creativity
- Wellbeing sessions
- Nutrition and healthy eating

For young carers in Hertfordshire, age 8 – 17

- Games and getting to know each other
- Have a break from your caring role
- Have your voice heard about what's important to you

WHEN:

Friday 31st July, 10 am – 3pm

WHERE:

Shephall Centre, Stevenage



How to book:

email:

participationteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk





Wake Up, Get Energised & Learn Kickboxing Before School - Boost Focus!

Start the day strong with Samurai Kickboxing! Our before-school classes are a fantastic way for children to wake up their bodies and minds - setting them up for a focused, positive day of learning ahead.

With over 12 years of experience and a growing network of 1500+ students across Jersey and the UK, Samurai Kickboxing is proud to offer high-quality, engaging sessions that help children thrive.

Samurai Kickboxing continues next term (September - December):

Cassiobury Junior School | Thursdays 7.40 - 8.40am | Years 3 - 6

24/9 - 15/10 and 5/11 - 10/12

£135

NEW STUDENTS: TRY US FOR FREE!

[Book your free trial](#)

RETURNING STUDENTS: REBOOK NOW!

Rebook your child's place for next term now via [Class Manager](#)

For ease, log in or download the **Class Manager - Customer Portal** app

- Go to **Classes > Enrol**, find your class, then **Add to Enrolment List > Confirm**

Spaces are limited so don't delay!

SPLIT PAYMENTS

If you'd like to set up or continue with split payments, drop us an email: info@samuraikickboxing.com

DISCOUNTS

- 15% sibling discount for 3 or more children
- 25% off your second class - *if attending more than once a week & not including Elite classes*

TERM DATES

Please make a note of the class term dates (including dates when the class isn't on): [Class Manager](#) > **Classes > Upcoming**

STAY UP TO DATE!

Visit www.SamuraiKickboxing.com for more info about our Classes, Gradings, Holiday Camps & Birthday Parties!

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