



CASSIOBURY JUNIOR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER No 23

Friday 13th March 2026

Dear Families,

Message from Miss Sherry..

It has been lovely to see so many performances in school this week. The Spring Music Concert was fantastic and an impressive display of pupil talent and their commitment to practise and also the commitment of so many music teachers in the school. Well done to everyone in school.

Year 4 are busy rehearsing for their production all ready for next week.

We have been conducting interviews this week to replace Mrs Clarke. It was lovely to hear people describe their tours around the school and speak about how calm and friendly the school was.

Legami Pens

We spoke to the children about Legami pens. I can see that they are very cute and appealing but they are becoming a source of upset due to exchanging/swapping in school. We have made the decision to ban the pens from school. Please make sure that your child leaves their pens at home. Thank you for helping with this.

Cycling or scooting on school grounds

I know that we are a big site but please ensure that your child does not ride their bike or scooter within the school grounds. This is to avoid incidents and keep people safe.

Spring Term Concert – well done!

What a wonderful Spring Concert! Well done to our Recorder Club, School Orchestra, School Band and the Year 5 & 6 Choir – the whole evening reminded us of how music brings us together and our young performers filled the hall with music, movement and the kind of energy that only children can bring. Thank you again for supporting the concert and the generous donations we received towards new music stands and the tuning of our pianos.

CSA Readathon

Please see separate email regarding the Readathon.

Book Fair – Thurs 12th March 2026 to Tues 17th March 2026

We have a travelling book fair in school from Thursday 12th March to Tuesday 17th March 2026 held in our Year 3 & 4 Library.

The children will have the opportunity to view all the books.

If you would like to purchase any books for your child, please come via the school office between 3.30pm to 4.00pm on Thursday 12th, Friday 13th, Monday 16th or Tuesday 17th March 2026.

Please note, all books will need to be paid for by CASH OR CARD

If you are unable to come along to the fair, you can give your child the cash in a named envelope and their teacher will look after it until the end of the day.

Year 4 Production – Monday 16th March 2026 (PM) and Tuesday 17th March 2026 (AM)

Your child will be bringing home your audience tickets today in their school bag. We hope you are looking forward to the amazing production.

Watford Junior Challenge – Saturday 21st March 2026

See flyer below regarding the Fun Run Challenge.



Non-uniform Day / Wear Something Funny / Wear Red

Friday 20th March 2026

We will be holding a "Wear Red, Wear Something Funny or Wear Non-Uniform" on Friday 20th March 2026 to raise money for Comic Relief. Please donate via the School Gateway or in the donation buckets on the school gates.

CSE Holiday Camp – Easter holidays

Please see the flyer below from Challenge Sport & Education regarding their Easter Holiday Camp.

Special Mentions

3 Alder - Charlotte B - for her fantastic explanation skills when describing why triangles are the strongest shape. **Wilf C** - for using his learning in our DT lesson and applying this outside of school when creating a strong structure.

3 Apple - Hadi A - for always sharing his great ideas and for working hard on slowing down and improving his handwriting and presentation - keep it up!

Maariya A - for coming up with and sharing her lovely descriptive sentences for her persuasive letter in English - Well done!

3 Ash – Saanvi R - for her detailed and thoughtful persuasive letter based on Billy and the Minpins and **Louis K** - for brilliant sportsmanship in our Tag Rugby lesson this week - well done!

4 Hawthorn – Abbas K - for displaying a focused work ethic in class and **Anaya P** - for her dedicated attitude towards her learning and presentation.

4 Hazel – Hana N - for starting the spring term with great energy and determination for her learning, actively participating in lessons and approaching new challenges with enthusiasm.

4 Holly - Mathilda B - for showing perseverance in all areas and **Matthew B** - for making some insightful inferences in Guided Reading.

5 Pear - Vihaan A and Jacob G - for working well together during class work, listening and responding to each other's suggestions.

5 Pine – Zayd A & Safiya A - for making delicious looking rolls in DT (spending time kneading their dough).

5 Poplar - Haleema S - for her contribution to the class discussion in PSHE this week well done! **Riyan P** - for his effort this week on his handwriting in his writing assessment book! Great effort

6 Oak – Libby R and Lily I-R - for excellent detailed research and construction of a mature and persuasive speech

6 Maple – Jenson G - for delivering a passionate speech on banishing loud people on public transport to room 101 in English and **Katrin C** - for delivering a passionate and well researched speech about banishing animal cruelty to room 101 in English.

6 Beech - Hannah H, Mille G and Iyla P - for giving fantastic, thoughtful and entertaining speeches in front of all of Year 6.

Well done to..

Year 5 Maths Challenge Team – well done to the following children who took part in the Maths Challenge. They were: **Charlotte J, Naksh C, Ravi S, Ayla Y, Aadev B, Radha B, Alex P, Vihaan A, Margot G, Mason P, Amara M, Seth P, Boris C** – well done!

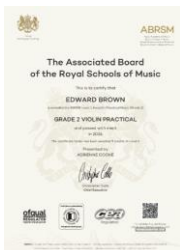


Year 6 Hockey Competition – well done to our Year 6 Hockey Team – **Layla B, Sophie W, Grace F, Antonia S, Ali A, Bhargav P, James J, Shaan N, Rey D, Sharoze Q R** - who went through to the final and won! Fantastic result and thank you for representing our school.



Anika Y – 3 Alder - participated in the West Herts Student Concert with a piano performance at Watford Music School on 9th March – well done!

Serene C - 3 Alder - has just completed Level 6 Floor at Watford Gymnastics Club – well done!



Edward B – 6 Beech – passed his Grade 2 ABRSM violin exam with a Merit – well done!



Charlotte J – 5 Poplar – has achieved her Stage 5 swimming award – well done!



Anaya S – 3 Apple – has been awarded her Stage 9 Gymnastics badge – well done!

Thank you to..

Annie S and Hanaa J – 6 Maple– for being excellent Office Monitors this week – thank you!

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Sherry and the School Office Team

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MARCH 2026	
12 th to 17 th	Book Fair – open to parents and children
13 th	Year 4 Dress Rehearsal to whole school
16 th	Year 4 Production – AM – more details to follow
17 th	Year 4 Production – PM – more details to follow
19 th	Year 3 Science Workshop – see separate correspondence
20 th	EHCP Support Plan Meetings – see separate correspondence
23 rd	Year 6 Ben Kinsella Trip – 6 Maple
24 th	Year 6 Ben Kinsella Trip – 6 Oak
24 th	Year 3 St Luke's Church visit
24 th	SEND Support Plan Meetings after school * CHANGE OF DATE
26 th	Year 6 Ben Kinsella Trip - 6 Beech
27 th	Spring Term 2026 ends @ 1.05pm – BREAK THE RULES DAY – see separate correspondence
APRIL 2026	
13 th	Back to school for the Summer Term 2026
17 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am – Miss Sherry's Office
20 th	Year 6 SATS and Residential Parent Talk – School Hall – 5pm to 5.45pm
21 st	Careers Fair – Year 6 – see separate email
22 nd	Year 3 – Roman Day – History off the Page – see separate correspondence
23 rd	Author Visit – Richard Coles – see separate correspondence
MAY 2026	
4 th	Bank Holiday
5 th	Year 5 Pear & Year 5 Poplar – River Study Trip – more details to follow
6 th	Class Photographs
8 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am – Miss Sherry's Office
11 th to 14 th	Year 6 SATs Breakfast and SATs week
14 th	Year 5 Pine – River Study Trip – more details to follow
15 th	Year 6 Dress Up Day – see separate correspondence
18 th to 22 nd	Year 6 Bikeability – more details to follow
25 th – 29 th	Half Term
JUNE 2026	
5 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am – Miss Sherry's Office
5 th	"Human Library" – see separate correspondence
JULY 2026	
3 rd	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am – Miss Sherry's Office
6 th	Crucial Crew – Year 6 – see separate correspondence
6 th & 7 th	Parent/Teacher Consultations – more details to follow
21 st	Year 6 Leavers Production and Assembly – see separate correspondence
23 rd	Summer Term 2026 ends @ 1.05pm – non uniform
SEPTEMBER 2026	
1 st	Inset Day – school closed
2 nd	Inset Day – school closed
3 rd	Autumn Term starts
OCTOBER 2026	
26 th – 30 th	Half Term
NOVEMBER 2026	
27 th	Occasional Day – school closed
DECEMBER 2026	
18 th	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	
15 th – 19 th	Half Term
MARCH 2027	
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	
25 th	Inset Day – school closed
JULY 2027	
21 st	Summer Term 2027 ends at 1.05pm – non uniform
22 nd	Inset Day – school closed



WATFORD JUNIOR CHALLENGE Sat 21st March 2026



The Junior Challenge is an exciting, fun run road race held annually in Cassiobury Park!

10:00 - 13:00 Cassiobury Park, Gade Ave, Watford WD18 7LG, UK

This is open to **all children in Primary School and Secondary School Years 7-9**, regardless of ability. It is a great opportunity for athletes to represent their schools in a competitive event. We have two races in the following age categories: **Under 8s (from age 5 upwards) & Under 10s-Under 14s.**

Races will start and finish on the path between the **Stratford Way entrance** to Cassiobury Park and the bandstand.

See Map: <https://www.google.com/maps/@51.6604607,-0.4136463,16z?entry=ttu>



DUE TO EXPECTED NUMBERS, THERE WILL BE TWO SEPARATE RACES:

The first, for **UNDER 8s** of approx. 1.2 km, will start at **11.45 am.**

The second, for **UNDER 10s, UNDER 12s and UNDER 14s** of approx. 2.5 km, will start at **12:15 pm**

Please arrive by 11.30 am for a warm up!
A runner's medal will be given to all finishers.

The first three boys and girls in each category will be presented a prize as soon as possible after the races

Find us on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram

Register at: <https://www.atwevents.co.uk/e/watford-junior-challenge-9306>

If you have any queries, please contact our Watford Harriers Club Race Organiser at whogm@watfordharriers.org.uk

HOLIDAY CAMP AT CASSIOBURY!

NEW LOOK COURSES offering Sports, Games, Arts & Crafts, Indoor Activities, Outdoor and Nature activities, Scavenger Hunts & more!

WD17 3PD

AGES 5-11 YRS

**FLEXIBLE TIMINGS
BETWEEN 8AM - 5PM**

STARTING FROM £22

**CHOOSE FROM SPORT ALL DAY
OR A MIX OF ACTIVITIES**



**SCAN QR OR CLICK
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