



CASSIOBURY JUNIOR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER No 16

Friday 16th January 2026

Dear Families,

Messages from Miss Sherry..

Summer Fair

At the moment we are unable to have a Summer Fair as there are no volunteers to run the event. I am aware that many parents work and have commitments so we are happy to have ideas on other fundraising ideas or some of you might be willing to run the Summer Fair. Please contact either school if you would like to find out more and we can put you in touch with the CSA.

Year 6 Yearbook Volunteers

A group of year 6 parents are running the end of year party, but they still need someone to organise the yearbook. If you do want a yearbook for the year 6 this year then someone will need to come forward to coordinate this.

Club Collection

For security reasons, we have changed the system for club pick up. This is so that we can keep the site more secure after school. If you have children at different clubs then please liaise with the clubs to coordinate collection, they might be happy to support as long as you agree this with them. The school does not manage this as many of the clubs are run by outside organisations. Please contact them directly. Thank you.

Consumables – Spring Term 2026

We will shortly be adding the Spring Term 2026 consumables payment request on the School Gateway which covers items such as ingredients for food tech (cooking), art, science and design/technology. Please check and make sure you have paid for the Autumn Term consumables which is still available on the School Gateway as we note that there are some payments still outstanding for your child.

School Dinner Menu

Just a reminder that all school dinners booked must be paid for at the time of booking and please always allow at least 2 days before the day required. All meals should be paid for at the time of booking.

Half Term Holiday Camp – CSE

Please see flyer below regarding the February half term holiday camp – please book directly with Challenge Sport and Education.

DSPL9 - EBSA Coffee Morning

Please see the flyer below for parents and carers.

Families Feeling Safe – two workshops left

Please see the flyer below from Families Feeling Safe regarding two online workshops with spaces available.

January Calorie Burner Morning!

Please see flyer below regarding Emma Breen's January Calorie Burner Morning on Sunday 25th January 2026. 3 hours of fitness and fun (adults only). Please contact Emma directly to book.

DSPL9 Newsletter – 14th January 2026

Please see following link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1aB-inp5W_Efb2ZKLAVQZOuNGi75A17Y9/view?usp=sharing

Year 6 – AXS App for Young Voices audience tickets

If you have ordered audience tickets to attend Wembley Arena on the evening of Wednesday 4th February 2026, please ensure you have completed the School Gateway "payments" section and comment which email address to use once you have downloaded the AXS app on your device. Thank you.

Youth Mental Health First Aid Training – Emotional Mental Wellbeing in Education

Please see below the flyer below. This training is FREE to attend and taking place on the 23rd January 2026, 09:30-16:00 at Spring Mead Primary School.

To register please contact: schoolsmh@hertfordshire.gov.uk

Special Mentions

3 Alder - Isabelle A - for her contributions and engagement in our geography lesson this week which looked at food miles. Great work! **Yahya S** - for working really hard in our maths lessons this week and applying his knowledge. Well done!

3 Apple - Ivania C - for punctuating speech correctly in English and for being a role model for others by showing pro-social behaviours. - well done! **Zayn E** - for challenging himself in Maths and for showing a good understanding of perimeter and arrays (multiplication). - keep it up!

3 Ash – Jacob C - for always asking deeper questions and thinking broadly about topics in class - keep it up! **Rees W-J** - for beautiful reading - well done!

4 Hawthorn – Hamza A - for giving clear and concise explanations. Well done! **Keyaan V** - for excellent focus and accuracy in spelling.

4 Hazel – Merak J and Miraj M – for being consistently helpful and considerate and for taking on challenges with pride and enthusiasm.

4 Holly - Hassan M - for showing great determination with his work and improving his presentation and **Jack C** - for showing great improvements with his spellings.

5 Pear – Zara B-A - for showing kindness to her peers and **Jovan S** - for working hard to include modal verbs in his English writing.

5 Pine - Ciara R and Kerem J - for participating in a streamlining and aerodynamics science lesson and **Eren R** - for listening and acting upon feedback given to him in an English lesson.

5 Poplar - Momin N - for working well in PSHE to research information about his dream job and **Ayaan R** - for responding to feedback in English this week.

6 Beech – Damaine B - for showing great behaviour, asking excellent questions and sharing his depth of knowledge about the Battle of Britain and planes during our trip to Bentley Priory, and **Esme O** - for also being a great role model on the school trip, and being polite, kind and a great ambassador for our school.

6 Maple - Nana-Yaw K-Y - for his excellent engagement and conduct on the Y6 trip to Bentley Priory this week and **Loic C** - for putting others needs before his when seeing a younger pupil who needed some help and going out of his way to support them and make sure they were ok.

6 Oak – Praanav P - excellent research and presentation on Abraham Lincoln and **Thea K** and **Juliette L** - excellent research and presentation on Harvey Milk.

Thank you to..

Meher S and Bhargav P – 6 Beech – for being excellent Office Monitors this week – thank you!

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Sherry and the School Office Team

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JANUARY 2026	
FEBRUARY 2026	
2 nd	Watford Foodbank collection week for Harvest
3 rd	Year 5 – Watford Synagogue Visit – AM only – more information to follow
4 th	Young Voices 2026 – Year 6
6 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am – Miss Sherry's Office
16 th – 20 th	Half Term
25 th	Year 5 – Life in Ancient Greece Day – see separate correspondence
MARCH 2026	
6 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am – Miss Sherry's Office
6 th	CSA Quiz Night – more details to follow
11 th	Spring Term Concert – more details to follow
12 th to 17 th	Book Fair – open to parents and children
19 th	Year 3 Science Workshop
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
25 th	SEND Support Plan Meetings after school
26 th	Year 6 Ben Kinsella Trip - 6 Beech
27 th	Spring Term 2026 ends @ 1.05pm – non uniform
APRIL 2026	
13 th	Back to school for the Summer Term 2026
17 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am – Miss Sherry's Office
MAY 2026	
4 th	Bank Holiday
8 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am – Miss Sherry's Office
25 th – 29 th	Half Term
JUNE 2026	
5 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am – Miss Sherry's Office
JULY 2026	
3 rd	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am – Miss Sherry's Office
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	
23 rd	Author Visit – Paterson Joseph visiting – see School Gateway
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



EMMA BREEN
FITNESS

January Calorie Burner Morning!

10am Watford Zumba (with Dawn)
11am Piloxing Barre (with Leigh)
11.45 Sculpt your shoulders (with Emma)
12.00 Pilates abs focus (with Emma)
12.30 Food myths and simple nutrition Q&A
(with Hayley)

£45 (early bird price of **£35** if booked and paid by **15th January!**)

Sunday 25th Jan - 10am-1

This fun event is held at Cassiobury Junior School

Let's start the year as we mean to go on!
Dance, balance and lift!

3 hours of fitness and fun! Also including motivational chat with a local nutrition coach!

To book contact Emma on **07749 316396**

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
HERE TO BOOK**

For more information, please email
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INCLUDING**

Malachi & Ella



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DSPL 9 Emotionally Based School Anxiety Coffee Morning



DSPL 9 are pleased to be able to offer a face to face session for parents and carers of children and young people who are experiencing EBSA (emotionally based school anxiety/avoidance).

The event will be run by DSPL 9 with a Family Support Worker and Nessie Therapist available to offer support and guidance.

Dates for 2025-26:

Monday 2nd February 2026

Monday 11th May 2026

Time: 10.00am-11.30am

**Venue: ASDA Community Room 3,
St Albans Rd, Watford WD24 7RT**

Please let us know you will be attending by booking using [this link](#) or contact admin@dsplarea9.org.uk for further information.



Dear Colleagues

Our last two online workshops for parents and carers are running in the next couple of weeks and we have a few spaces. Places are open to any parent or carer in Hertfordshire (universal):

- Communication - on Monday 19 January 7.00pm – 9.00pm
- All Feelings Matter – on Monday 26 January 7.00pm – 9.00pm

To reserve a place on either workshop please book using this link:
<https://forms.office.com/e/dTwHKe8yaM>

Our Protective Behaviours courses are also due to start in February for parents and carers who may need some additional support. Places can be booked by professionals referring and by parents and carers using this link which has all dates and times: <https://forms.office.com/e/AhgfpJUW6T>

Please would you kindly pass on these details to your colleagues, networks, parents and carers.

With thanks and kind regards

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Year 4 & Year 5



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Experience a class firsthand.



MTT tutors will provide feedback directly to parents at the end of session.

- 50% off standard fee
- No commitment to enrol



Year 5 - Wed 7th Jan - 5.00pm – 6.30pm
Queens School, Bushey

Year 4 - Wed 14th Jan - 4.45pm
MTT Hall, Bushey

These interactive sessions are led by a qualified teacher, supported by an experienced TA, covering verbal reasoning and maths (11+)

Limited spaces, first come, first served. T's & C's apply, see website for details.

www.mocktransfertest.co.uk

