



@CassioburyJM

CASSIOBURY JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER No 38

Friday 11th July 2025

Dear Families,

Message from Miss Sherry..

Fun Run

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the Fun Run first thing this morning. It was fantastic to see everybody take part and cheer people on. Thank you for your support to get the children ready and for sponsoring the children. Huge thanks to Fullarians Rugby Club for letting us use their field and for all of the staff who have organised the event and got up extra early this morning!

The results are as follows:

Year 3 – Boys

1st - Leo I-R
2nd – Matthew B
3rd – Teddy W

Year 3 - Girls

1st – Audrey L
2nd – Sienna P
3rd – Zara G-P

Year 4 – Boys

1st – Kerem J
2nd – Eren R
3rd – Sebastian A

Year 4 - Girls

1st – Chloe G
2nd – Alexandra K
3rd – Clara V-C

Year 5 – Boys

1st – Monty L
2nd – Jenson G
3rd – Avya N

Year 5 - Girls

1st – Hannah H
2nd – Amelia P
3rd – Millie G

Year 6 – Boys

1st – George P
2nd – Max Mc
3rd – Leo I

Year 6 - Girls

1st – Francesca N
2nd – Uma P
3rd – Sena J

Please can the sponsorship forms and money be brought to the School Office by Monday 14th July 2025 – thank you!

Music Evening

Once again, the music team put together a fantastic evening of our children performing such a broad range of music and instruments. I am so proud of the pupils and staff.

Summer Concert – thank you from Mrs Harrison!

Well done to everyone who performed in this week's Summer Concert and for the commitment you have given to the rehearsals! What a lovely evening of music and lovely to hear such musical talent in Cassiobury Junior School! We wish our Year 6 musicians all the best in their Secondary School. I look forward to hearing about your continued musical journey!

Transition Day

Our pupils went to their new classes and teachers yesterday. It was lovely to see the Year 2's come and meet their new teachers. Hopefully, our Year 6's had a great day at their new schools.

Donations

Over the summer we are going to work on some additional activities for children at lunchtimes. If you have any of the following then we would be grateful for any donations.

- Ribbons for plaiting
- Buckets and spades in good condition for digging
- Cars or train sets for table top playing
- Table top games such as 'Connect 4' (not jigsaws)
- Water table, water play items or sand pits etc
- Outdoor pavement chalks
- Colouring in books

Head Lice

We have been notified that some children have head lice in Year 5. Please ensure that you check your child's hair regularly and please treat accordingly. Remember that it is bedding, clothes, hairbrushes, etc that need a boil wash!

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.

Whirlwind!

If your child says that they saw a whirlwind on the Year 3 and 4 playground today, they are not making it up! I am sure they will tell you all about it!

GymJams Display

Well done to our GymJams Gymnasts who performed to the whole school on Monday. If your child would like to sign up to the Gymnastics Club on a Monday in the school hall from the Autumn Term 2025, please see the flyer below.

Year 3 Recorder Performance

Thank you for coming to listen to the Year 3 children playing the recorder this week. If they are interested in joining Ms Aboud in the Recorder Club on a Monday lunchtime, please keep your eye on the emails in September to sign them up on the School Gateway! Spaces are limited so book early to avoid disappointment.

Year 6 Production and Leavers Assembly tickets

We look forward to seeing the Year 6 parents and carers for the Year 6 Production and Leavers Assembly next Tuesday 15th July 2025 at 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

Unfortunately, we are unable to allocate any additional tickets as this is a sell out! If you have booked tickets and are not able to attend, please message your class group directly as we are sure that there will be people wanting extra tickets.

The children will bring home their audience tickets on Monday afternoon. Thank you!

Year 5 Ukulele performance - Wednesday 16th July 2025

We would like to invite our Year 5 parents and carers to the Year 5 Ukulele performance in the school hall @ 2.45pm. The performance will last no longer than 20 minutes.

Library Books to be returned

In order to update our library system, we require ALL library books to be returned by Friday 11th July 2025. Thank you!

Play Leading Report

Please see the Play Leading Report below written by **Layla B** and **Simran S – 5 Pear**.

SEND Surgeries for Parents and Carers during Summer Holiday

Following on from Parents Evening this week, Mrs Newman (our SENDCo) will be running a SEND Surgery on Tuesday 29th July 2025 from 9:00am to 2:30pm at Cassiobury Junior School. If you would like to book, please contact the School Office (admin@cassioburyjm.herts.sch.uk) for a 20 minute slot. The offer is to talk through any of your concerns and to take away some ideas for the summer.

DSPL9 – Parents and Carers Newsletter

Please see the link for this week's newsletter from DSPL9:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1E4RucwbY_ntFkg_pD9BP-sKT2x282WCx/view?usp=sharing

Cassiobury Summer Holiday Sports Courses

Please see flyer below regarding the sports courses being held during the school summer holidays. If you would like to book your child, please contact Challenge Sport & Education direct.

Summer Dance classes - Charlotte Amelia School of Dance

If your child would like to book on to the dance classes (see below for flyers) during the summer holidays at Cassiobury Junior School, please book via <https://charlotte-amelia-school-of-dance.classforkids.io/>

Summer Tennis Camp

To book for the Summer Tennis Camp with Angie Gunn, please see the link: <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/STEVENSHAEACoaching2/Coaching/Camps>

Summer Wellbeing Activity Programme

Please see the flyer below regarding the Summer Wellbeing Activity Programme.

Balance & Ride Summer Course

Please see the flyer below regarding the Balance and Ride Summer Course.

Three Rivers National Play Day Event

See flyer below regarding the above event.

Invitation to Special Educational Needs & EHCPs Information Session with Gemma Hall (DSPL9) and Mandy Brandon, SEND Implementation and Support Officers (SISOs)

We invite you to an information session focused on provisions for children with **Special Educational Needs/Disabilities (SEND)** and those requiring **Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs)**. This session is designed to provide guidance, answer questions, and support you in navigating the process of securing the right provisions for your child.

Date: Thursday 25th September 2025 **Time:** 9:30-11am **Location:** Cassiobury Junior School.

During the session, we will cover:

- Ordinarily Available provision
- The EHCP process: eligibility, application, and reviews
- The ways in which DSPL9 and Ask Sali support schools in meeting individual needs

We hope you can join us for this important discussion.

If you would like to attend, please consent on the School Gateway. This will be available from 8th September 2025.

Autumn Term 2025 clubs

Over the next few weeks, the Autumn 2025 clubs will be visible on the newsletter and school's website. Please check this link for more information:

<https://www.cassioburyjm.herts.sch.uk/school-clubs/>

Chess Challengers Club – Autumn Term 2025

Chess Challengers Club are returning in the Autumn Term 2025 from Tuesday 16th September 2025 at Cassiobury Junior School. Please see the flyer below for details regarding how to book.

GymJams Gymnastics – Autumn Term 2025

Please see the flyer below regarding the GymJams Gymnastics Club at Cassiobury Junior School. To book, please contact the club direct.

Tennis Club – Autumn Term 2025

Please see the link to book for Tennis Club for Autumn Term 2025 with Angie Gunn.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1lwVVnsjVgkYUKBCiCqjxQGjPwPLaxtce/view?usp=sharing>

Creative Minds Art Club – Autumn Term 2025

Please see the link to book for Creative Minds Art Club for Autumn Term 2025 with Namita Jain.

Special Mentions

3 Alder - **Kiyansh P** - for listening to others well and making great contributions during our history debate. Well done! **Jasleen G** - for creating a fantastic alternative ending for 'The Iron Man' which included detail and speech.

ALL of 3 Apple – for their sportsmanship and effort during today's fun run. Well done!

3 Ash - **Kayla R** and **Teddy W** - for showing exemplary behaviour and kindness to others on Transition day.

4 Hawthorn – **Waniah B** - reading so clearly in class this week and **Leo G** - for showing an act of kindness to an adult - when their childhood dream came true at the owl pellet works.

4 Hazel – **Sebastian H** - for writing an opening paragraph using a variety of language features and **Reya R** - for using creating a well-designed torch in DT.

4 Holly - **Laylah A** - for writing an excellent story opening and **Elsa K** - for contributing to class discussions more.

5 Pear – Kasim R and **Shanaya M** - for participating well in all lessons by sharing their answers and working well in group and paired discussions.

5 Pine – Adrian H and **Damaine B** - for working hard in their writing this week, using knowledge from previous learning and adding more length to paragraphs. Well done!

5 Poplar – Shaan N- for having a more positive attitude towards his learning, keep it up!

Abdul A and **Diya P** - for their improvement when reading aloud and inference skills.

Efren R - for writing a great explanation text with a formal tone and subject specific vocabulary.

6 Beech – Aarohe J - for excellent work on her environment project and **Amaani A** - for being kind, thoughtful and considerate towards others.

6 Maple – Shenelle A – for her commitment to practise her part for the production and **Archie C** – for consistently bringing energy to rehearsals.

6 Oak – Freddy M - for successfully learning a lot of lines for the production and **Saloni D** - for dedicated work towards her environment magazine.

Thank you to..

Hiyasvi P and **Lily I-R** – **5 Poplar** and **Elianna C** – **6 Beech** and **Hrida S** – **6 Oak** - for being excellent Office Monitors this week – thank you!

Well done to..

Sam H – **6 Maple** – who has passed his Grade 2 Piano Exam with a Merit.

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Sherry and the School Office Team

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JULY 2025	
15 th	Year 6 Leavers Production and Leavers Assembly (doors open at 5.15pm) – 5.30pm to 7.30pm – TICKET ONLY EVENT
16 th	Year 5 Ukulele performance to parents and carers in school hall @ 2.45pm
17 th	Year 6 Leavers Day out – more details to follow
18 th	Year 6 Leavers morning – fun morning (children only)
18 th	Summer Term 2025 ends at 1.05pm
21 st	Inset Day – school closed
22 nd	Inset Day – school closed
23 rd	Inset Day – school closed
SEPTEMBER 2025	
3 rd , 4 th & 5 th	Inset Days – school closed
8 th	Back to School for the Autumn Term 2025
18 th	Individual Photographs (and sibling photographs @ 8am to 8.40am)
19 th	Jeans for Genes Day – wear denim to school
25 th	Invitation to Special Educational Needs & EHCPs Information Session with Gemma Hall (DSPL9) and Mandy Brandon, SEND Implementation and Support Officers (SISOs) – School Hall – 9.30am to 11am.
OCTOBER 2025	
15 th	Flu immunisation
20 th & 21 st	Parent/Teacher Consultations – more details to follow
24 th	Inset Day – school closed
27 th – 31 st	Half Term
NOVEMBER 2025	
25 th	Flu immunisation mop up day
28 th	Occasional Day
DECEMBER 2025	
8 th	Year 3 & 4 Pantomime – more information to follow

9 th	Year 5 & 6 Pantomime – more information to follow
12 th	Christmas Dinner/Festive outfit Day
19 th	Autumn Term 2025 ends at 1.05pm
JANUARY 2026	
5 th	Inset Day – school closed
6 th	Back to School for the Spring Term 2026
FEBRUARY 2026	
16 th – 20 th	Half Term
MARCH 2026	
27 th	Spring Term 2026 ends @ 1.05pm
APRIL 2026	
13 th	Back to school for the Summer Term 2026
MAY 2026	
4 th	Bank Holiday
25 th – 29 th	Half Term
JUNE 2026	
JULY 2026	
23 rd	Summer Term 2026 ends @ 1.05pm
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
JANUARY 2027	
4 th	Inset Day – school closed
5 th	Spring Term 2027 starts
FEBRUARY 2027	
15 th – 19 th	Half Term
MARCH 2027	
25 th	Spring Term 2027 ends at 1.05pm
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
22 nd	Inset Day – school closed

Play Leading by Layla.B & Simran.S - 5 Pear

In the past few weeks, we have been chosen to participate in playleading. To become an Active Ambassador/play leader, we had to hand in a form (saying why we wanted to be a playleader, what we would play with the infants, year 3 and 4 and what we needed to play the game). After a few days of waiting, 40 of us got chosen.

Playleader Training

The following Wednesday, we went out with Ms Lipley (Games leader for Queens secondary school) to do training for how to become a playleader. The training involved getting into small groups, giving instructions and showing leadership. That afternoon, we planned an activity for the Year 1s at Nascot Wood School.

Nascot Wood School year 1's festival

Nascot Wood year 1 was invited to participate in our play leading festival. We were put into groups of 4 or 5. Layla's group decided to do an obstacle course relay. The year 1's had to get into equal groups, go in and out the cones with a beanbag on our head, throw it into a hoop and run back. Simran's group decided to make a football relay. To start, the year 1s were divided into equal teams and had to dribble/kick or bounce a ball either around the cones or in a straight line. Then they had to stop the ball at the 5th cone and run/hop/skip to the marker or cone, run back, pick up the ball, run to their team and pass the ball to the next person.

The Cassiobury Junior School Year 3's festival

Year 3's had the opportunity to take part in the Active Ambassadors fun and games as part of their festival. For this event, as year 3's are older than year 1's, we had to make things harder and more challenging. To advance the course, Layla's group added horizontal ladders and went in and out of the hoop, round the cone with a ball on a racket and run back with the beanbag on your head. Simran's Group decided to add more cones and hop or skip when running to the marker/cone but the children did not have the option of running.

We really wanted to be play leaders/active ambassadors because, when we were in year 3, we really enjoyed playing with the previous year 6's and that really inspired us to be like them and to show good leadership skills. Amongst all the active ambassadors/play leaders we have all had a great time and learnt so much from Ms Lipley, so we all thank her very much for teaching us real leadership skills. We hope all the children had a great time with us and in September, we hope the year 3's and 4's enjoy playing with us. We hope we encourage the current year 4's (in September the year 5's) to become play leaders just like us.



Dear Colleagues

We have three online courses starting in October which are fully funded by HCC for parents and carers who may need some additional support:

- For Dads and male carers: Wednesdays 8 October – 4 December 7.00pm – 9.00pm please [click here for the poster....](#)
- For Mums, Dads & Carers: Thursdays 9 October – 4 December 9.30am – 11.30am [click here for the poster....](#)
- For Mums, Dads & Carers: Thursdays 9 October – 4 December 7.00pm – 9.00pm [click here for the poster....](#)

This 8-week course can help mums, dads and carers:

- Understand how Feelings, Thoughts and Behaviour link together
- Understand what may be influencing their child's behaviour
- Respond to a range of feelings e.g. stress, anger, anxiety and worries
- Improve communication to build better relationships
- Build on their own and their child's strengths
- Learn strategies to help them and their children feel safe

For all enquiries and to make a referral, please email enquiries@familiesfeelingsafe.co.uk or call 07850 518216



Mental Health Support Teams
Hertfordshire & West Essex



SUMMER WELLBEING ACTIVITY PROGRAMME



**FUN & CREATIVE WELLBEING
ACTIVITIES FOR 8-11 YEARS OLDS**

TEAM GAMES
QUIZ & BINGO
MOVIE & POPCORN
ART & CRAFT
DEN BUILDING
TREASURE TRAIL
AND MANY MORE



5 DAYS
28th July - 1st August
10AM TO 3PM

**PRE BOOKING
REQUIRED**

**Admission
FREE**

Themes

- ✓ Connection
- ✓ Relaxation
- ✓ Transition & Change
- ✓ Mindfulness
- ✓ Move your Body

Venue

Parkgate Junior School
Southwold Rd
Watford
WD24 7DN



FOR MORE DETAILS AND BOOKING, USE THE SIGN-UP FORM ONLINE

CASSIOBURY

WD17 3PD

**21 JULY -
29 AUG**

SPORTS COURSES

LED BY LOCAL PE TEACHERS

**8AM -
4.30PM**



**SCAN OR HOLD DOWN
QR CODE TO SIGN UP**



ACTIVITIES

*Football, Basketball, Dodgeball, Gymnastics,
Back 2 Base, Tennis, Cricket, Rounders,
Rollerball and more*

To book please scan or hold down the QR
code. For any questions please email
info@challengesporteducation.co.uk or
whatsaap us on 07719 315 932

**5 - 11 YEAR OLDS
FROM £22 PER DAY**

Children's Wellbeing Practitioner Workshops July – September 2025

Workshops are open to all young people & parents/carers of children and young people who attend a school or are registered with a GP in Hertfordshire. A referral is not needed to access a workshop.

All workshops are currently being delivered online via Microsoft Teams. For more information about what each workshop covers and to book a place onto a workshop, visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hct-childrens-wellbeing-practitioners-33494371787>



Workshop	Date & Time
Emotional Wellbeing (For Young People 11-16) A workshop focused on adolescents managing their emotional wellbeing and things parents/carers can do to help.	Thursday 31 st July 10 am-12 pm Thursday 18 th September 6-8 pm
Adolescent Self-Esteem and Resilience A workshop focused on adolescents improving their self-esteem and resilience and what parents/carers can do to help.	Tuesday 8 th July 6-8 pm Tuesday 2 nd September 6-8 pm
Supporting your Child's Self-Esteem and Resilience A workshop focused on parents/carers supporting their child to improve their self-esteem and resilience.	Thursday 7 th August 10 am-12 pm
Supporting with Sleep Difficulties This workshop focuses on supporting children and adolescents with managing their sleep difficulties and things parents/carers can do to help.	Tuesday 5 th August 6-8 pm
Developing your Child's Emotional Literacy A workshop focused on parents supporting their child with developing emotional literacy.	Thursday 10 th July 6-8 pm Tuesday 12 th August 10 am-12 pm Thursday 25 th September 6-8 pm
General Emotional Wellbeing and Regulation Tips for Parents/Carers A workshop focused on parents supporting their child's general emotional wellbeing and ability to emotionally regulate.	Wednesday 16 th July 10 am-12 pm Tuesday 19 th August 6-8 pm Wednesday 24 September 10 am-12 pm

To access the recorded **Emotionally Based School Avoidance Webinar** please visit:
<https://www.hct.nhs.uk/service-details/service/childrens-wellbeing-practitioners-21/>

JAZZ TECHNIQUE WORKSHOPS



**KEEP TRAINING ALL SUMMER LONG WITH OUR JAZZ TECHNIQUE
WORKSHOPS!**

**JOIN US ON TUESDAYS: 5TH AUGUST, 12TH AUGUST & 26TH AUGUST
TO KICK, LEAP & STRENGTHEN ALL SUMMER LONG!**

CASSIOBURY JUNIOR SCHOOL, 5:30PM-7:00PM

Charlotte Amelia
SCHOOL OF DANCE

Lilo & Stitch
Dance Workshop

Tuesday 29th July 2025
10:00am - 13:00pm
Cassiobury Junior School
Ages 4-9 years

**Dancing, Crafts, Hula
dancing & much more!**

**Get your hula on
stitch style!**



One of the best skills children can learn, opening up opportunities for fun, independence, activity and health for a lifetime.

LEARN TO BALANCE AND RIDE (L2BR)

- For children typically aged between 3.5 and 11
- 85% + of children are normally riding after 2 sessions
- 1 Instructor to max 5 children
- Balance bike and lightweight pedal bike for each child included in price
- 1 hour sessions

DEVELOPING BETTER BIKE CONTROL (DBBC)

- Follow-on course for new or inexperienced riders
- Covers key skills of starting, stopping, turning, looking, riding close to others, gears and signalling
- 1 Instructor to max 5 children
- Bike provided if required (extra £5.00)
- 1 hour sessions

£36 for two sessions.
£23 for one session.

Full course details at: www.hertsbalance.uk/course-descriptions

Dates:

Monday July 21st and Tuesday July 22nd

Venue: Tudor Primary School, Hemel Hempstead, HP3 9ER

Thursday July 24th and Friday July 25th

Venue: The Ridgeway Academy, Welwyn Garden City, AL7 2AF

Monday July 28th and Tuesday July 29th

Venue: Cassiobury Junior School, Watford, WD17 3PD

Thursday July 31st and Friday August 1st

Venue: Roundwood Primary School, Harpenden, AL5 3AD

Saturday August 23rd and Sunday August 24th

Venue: The Ridgeway Academy, Welwyn Garden City. AL7 2AF

For more information and to book, go to www.hertsbalance.uk/public-schedule-booking
email phil@hertsbalance.uk or call Phil on 07941 061717.

Private L2BR, DBBC and Bikeability sessions are available for children and adults and families. Details at www.hertsbalance.uk/private-sessions



Chess Challengers
Igniting Minds...

Chess Challengers

UK's No.1 leading chess club



in Cassiobury Junior School, Watford

After school Chess Club

Starts on Tuesday 16th September 2025

Time : 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Chess Lessons & Tournaments

Pin it !

Register : chess.challengers@outlook.com

Contact us if interested in chess camp during summer holidays.



Encourage your child to explore a new skill !

Cassiobury Junior School

Gym Jams Gymnastics

Autumn term course 2025

Monday morning club

@8:00- 8:40am

15th September - 8th December

No session on 27th October

12 course

COURSE PRICE £102.00

Open to KS2 only

All abilities welcome

Limited space available

A fun club learning key gymnastics
skills, achieving awards &
taking part in school displays.

Contact Coach Emily (MATERNITY
COVER) via email to book
emoore.04@outlook.com



For KS2 students
in
Yr 3 to Yr 6

£12 per class (Pay in
advance for the term)

All material will be
provided



CREATIVE MINDS ART CLUB

After School Art Club at
Cassiobury Junior School

Monday 3.20-4.30pm

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

*Hurry up, spaces are
limited!*





**Cassiobury Junior School
Mini Tennis Course Autumn 2025
Tuesday 16 Sept– 14 October (5 weeks)
3.30pm – 4.15pm**

I will be running tennis sessions for Year 3 & 4 children during the Autumn Term.

This Mini Tennis Programme promotes effective development of co-ordination, racket skills & movement in a fun environment. All equipment will be provided & cleaned. We will play on the top playground next to the MUGA, we're not guaranteed the hall, so if wet the session may be cancelled.

Pick up is at 4.15pm from the top playground gate.

The term will begin on **Tuesday 16 September** and will run for **5 weeks**, the cost is **£42.50**

This is a very popular course so if over subscribed I will be holding a ballot for places on Friday 11 July
Closing date for applications is
Wednesday 9 July

Booking a space can be done by phone, text, whatsapp or email

07745 989123

aegunn2001@gmail.com



Mini Tennis Autumn Term 2025 (YR3&4)

Please bring this slip to first session if successful in the ballot

cheque made payable to "**Angie Gunn**" for **£42.50**

(online payment available upon request)

Child's name _____ DoB _____

Mobile/Home Tel No. _____

Form / Class _____ email _____

Any medical conditions _____



NATIONAL PLAY DAY EVENT 2025

**WEDNESDAY
6 AUGUST 2025**

12noon - 3pm

SOUTH OXHEY
PLAYING FIELDS,
WD19 4LT

meet by the playing
fields car park.

**Families and children
of all ages welcome.**

Health & Wellbeing Advice
Family support services
Zumba with Flo
Frankie's Face Paint
Play Rangers
Healthy Living & Nutrition
Children's games and lots
more outdoor fun!

**Bring a
picnic and
have some
fun!**



For more information
scan the QR code

 **THREE RIVERS
DISTRICT COUNCIL**