



CASSIOBURY JUNIOR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER No 3

Friday 18th September 2026

Dear Families,

Messages from Miss Sherry..

Secondary School Presentation

It was lovely to speak to many parents at the Secondary School Presentation. We have sent this out for you so that you can use the links within. Please always check the dates and instructions on the official sites as procedures and guidance can change from year to year.

Fire Drills and Practice

At the start of each year, we have a fire practice. This is different to a fire drill only in the sense that we tell the children that it will be happening. We will have a fire practice next week and will talk the children through what they should do and where they should go.

Later in the term and year we will do unannounced 'fire drills' to check that everyone knows what to do.

Gates must close by 3.30pm

Please help us to keep the site safe for children in after school activities. We need to close the gates by 3.30pm. This means that you need to have cleared the site by 3.30pm. Please exit the site as soon as possible. Thank you.

Yom Kippur

We wish our Jewish families a peaceful Yom Kippur next week.

Parents/Carers talk about Self Harm and Recovery – see flyer below

On **Tuesday 6th October**, Carers in Herts, supported by Herts Mind Network, are running an evening Zoom session from **7pm to 9pm** which aims to support Parents/Carers of children and young people who have experienced self harm. The session will explain more about self harm, share practical ideas and strategies to help young people towards recovery, while providing an opportunity for families to ask questions. To book, please visit: [Self-Harm - Support for Parents and Carers](#)

Please note that spaces are limited to 30 people. Additional requests will be added to a waiting list.

Jeans for Genes Day – Thank you!

Thank you for donating to our Jeans for Genes Day. The money is being counted and we will let you know how much we raised.....watch this space!

Author Visit – Wednesday 14th October 2026

We are delighted that Pari Thomson will be visiting the school on Wednesday 14th October 2026. If you would to purchase a signed book, please see separate correspondence (and flyer below) from Chorleywood Bookshop.

Hemel Hempstead Training Band – all ages welcome!

Please see the flyer below regarding your local brass band! The Hemel Hempstead Band, based just down the road in Apsley, are welcoming brass players to join their training band. If your child is learning a brass instrument, please contact hemelhempsteadband@gmail.com or scan the QR code for more details!

Come along and have fun making new friends and making music!

Children's Wellbeing Practitioner Workshops

Please see the flyer below.

Special Mentions

3 Ash – Noor-Fatima M - for modelling excellent classroom presentation in her book and **Oliver P** - for modelling excellent independent reading skills.

3 Alder – Prisha M - for being an outstanding role model in the classroom by following expectations consistently and supporting others to do so as well and **Evie H** - for having a really positive attitude towards her learning and for taking ownership as a learner.

3 Apple – Addie M - for being an excellent role model for behaviour in class and a thoughtful idea which the class benefited from and **Otis J** - for excellent participation during a model write lesson where his description ideas were well thought through.

4 Hawthorn – Luther H - for supporting his class by sharing excellent ideas about 'The River and the Tree' by Aaron Becker during shared writing this week and **Nissi-Marie K-Y** - for showing confidence in contributing thoughtful ideas to class discussions especially in English this week.

4 Hazel – Shray C - for showing kindness and care to other classmates and for engaging in class work and discussions. Well done!

4 Holly – Cleo B and Charlotte B - for their positive attitude to all their learning and always showing excellent behaviour at all times.

5 Pear – Charlotte T and Farong L - for working really hard in Maths this week with Place Value, challenging themselves in the different tasks! Well done!

5 Pine – Thieran Y - for being helpful around the classroom and for trying hard with his learning - keep it up! **Zaky S** - for contributing well in class discussions and having a positive attitude towards learning - well done!

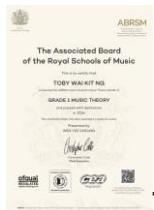
5 Poplar – Joel R - for thoughtful suggestions about our reading book, 'The Girl Who Lost A Leopard' and **Alex K** - for displaying curiosity during her learning. Well done!

6 Beech – Kerem J - for his deeper thinking and thoughtful questioning in History this week - keep it up! **Sahin Y** - for holding the door for adults and peers and showing his manners throughout the day - well done!

6 Maple – Jake M - for great participation in lessons and **Kaashvi A** - for going out of her way to complete extra history homework.

6 Oak – Riyan P, Reya R and Iris C - for carrying out optional research on pop artists.

Well done to..



Toby N – 4 Hazel – for passing his ABRSM Grade 1 Music Theory – Well done!



Yuthi N – 3 Ash – has achieved his Stage 3 Swimming Award – Well done!

Eren R – 6 Beech – for playing the piano to the whole school in singing assembly – Well done!

Thank you to..

Byron C-A and Safiya A – 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

SEPTEMBER 2026	
22 nd	Cassiobury Junior School Orchestra restarts - 8am school hall
29 th	Flu vaccination (whole school) – see separate correspondence
30 th	Year 3 & 5 Cross Country Competition @ Watford Boys playing fields (Fullerians)
OCTOBER 2026	
1 st	Open Morning @ 9am
1 st	Reading and Writing Talk @ 6pm
2 nd	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am
7 th	CSA AGM – Oak Room, Infants School @ 8pm
14 th	Harvest Festival
14 th	Pari Thomson – Author Visit – see separate correspondence
18 th	Joint Concert with Year 5 & 6 Choir – more details to follow – Save the date!
19 th	Parent/Teacher Consultations week
19 th	Year 6 Height and Weight – see separate correspondence
26 th – 30 th	Half Term
NOVEMBER 2026	
6 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am
11 th	Autumn Term Concert – TBC
13 th	Children in Need – non uniform
26 th	Year 2 Parent Talk and Tour @ 9am
27 th	Occasional Day – school closed
DECEMBER 2026	
4 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am
9 th	Whole School to Rickmansworth Pantomime – AM – more details to follow
11 th	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day – more details to follow
15 th	TBC – Year 5 Christmas Concert – 6pm – more details to follow
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
8 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am
FEBRUARY 2027	
5 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am
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
5 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am
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	
7 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am
31 st – 4 th June 2027	Half Term
JUNE 2027	
11 th	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am
18 th	Sports Day
25 th	Inset Day – school closed
JULY 2027	
2 nd	Parent Rep Meeting @ 9am
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

Parents and Carers talk about self-harm and recovery

Please join us at an information session to learn more about self-harm and get practical ideas and strategies to help your child towards recovery

Where: Online over Zoom.

When: Tuesday 6th October, 7pm to 9pm

For more information or to book your place:

Call: 01992 58 69 69

Email: contact@carersinherts.org.uk

Go online: www.carersinherts.org.uk/events



About Carers in Hertfordshire

We are a charity that provides information, advice and support to unpaid carers - people looking after a partner, relative or friend, who is ill, elderly, has a physical or learning disability, or misuses substances.

We support carers of all ages - young people and adults - living, working or caring in Hertfordshire. Our services are free to carers and bereaved carers, who can access support for three years after the death of the person they looked after.

We provide services to carers to help them with their caring role or have a break from caring, to improve their health and wellbeing, and to have a voice in shaping health and community services.

We are partly funded by Hertfordshire County Council and the NHS in Hertfordshire. In partnership with them and other local organisations we work to ensure unpaid carers are identified, informed, supported and heard.

Carers in Hertfordshire

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Our support for parents and carers.

We have a team of Carer Engagement Workers who can provide advice and information and also support you to speak up.

We also:

- Give you a chance to meet and talk to other parents, carers and staff who understand;
- Give you the opportunity to represent your views to the authorities that commission and manage Children and Young People's Mental Health Services (CYPMHS) in Hertfordshire;
- Provide free training and learning opportunities; and
- Offer a Carers' Passport Discount Card that gives savings in shops, restaurants and other venues (contact us to apply for one today!)



Dear Parent/Guardian,

On **WEDNESDAY 14th OCTOBER**, PARI THOMSON will be visiting your school.

To pre-order the book, please click the link below and place your order through **Chorleywood Bookshop** by **11AM, TUESDAY 13th OCTOBER**.



Order the book here:

<https://schools.chilternbookshops.co.uk/pari-thomson-14th-october/>

Many thanks,

Chorleywood Bookshop



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Children's Wellbeing Practitioner Workshops October - December 2026

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 own emotional wellbeing and things parents/carers can do to help.	Tuesday 3 November 6-8pm
Supporting Adolescents with Self-Esteem A workshop focused on adolescents improving their self-esteem and what parents can do to support.	Monday 23 November 6-8pm
Supporting your Child's Self-Esteem and Resilience A workshop focused on parents/carers supporting their child to improve their self-esteem and resilience.	Wednesday 14 October 6-8pm Tuesday 8 December 10am – 12pm
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 29 October 6-8pm Monday 14 December 6-8pm
Developing your Child's Emotional Literacy A workshop focused on parents supporting their child with developing emotional literacy.	Wednesday 21 October 10am-12pm Tuesday 10 November 6-8pm Wednesday 16 December 10am-12pm
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.	Tuesday 6 October 6-8pm Wednesday 18 November 10am-12pm Tuesday 1 December 6-8pm

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

Hemel Hempstead Band

Beginner and Training Band

We rehearse on Mondays:

6-6.30pm (Beginners)

6.30-7.30 (Training Band)

7.45-9.45 (Main Band)

BRASS & PERCUSSION ALL LEVELS



Or click the QR code below or this hyperlink [link to register](#) to join us in September 2025!



All Ages and Levels
Welcome!

Looking forward to having
fun making music with you!
Get Involved!

Contact us on:

hemelhempsteadband@gmail.com