

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week at Highshore this week. We continue to see our pupils take their learning out into the community, whether it be swimming, college links, Roots and Shoots or community visits. Our pupils love to show off their maturity and growing sense of responsibility – we have even had a number of pupils from 11L begin to do the end of the day bus announcements on our school speaker.

All students will now come home with a book to read. Reading at home is proven to improve students' reading ability and is also such a wonderful way to spend time together. There will be a reading showcase morning this half term, including a stay-and-learn workshop for parents to support you with reading in the home.

Our EHCP Annual Reviews have also started this past week. Your child's Annual Review is an important part of not just reviewing their long term progress, but also helping to determine their future pathways and goals. If you have received an invitation and the accompanying paperwork to your child's Annual Review please contact the school if you have any questions regarding the process or meeting arrangements.

This week a Transitions Evening was held for parents of sixth form pupils. It was an opportunity for them to meet, and discuss next steps with, representatives from Orchard Hill, Park College and Roots and Shoots, as well as our Local Authority Coordinator Kathryn Penney. It was a pleasant and productive evening all round and we'd like to thank all those that attended. As always, if you have any queries regarding transitions, please contact Ali Naqvi.

As the weather has begun to shift, please make sure your child comes dressed in appropriate clothing. Also, for all families a reminder that we are a NUT FREE school. Please do not send in any items that contain or may contain nuts as we do have pupils with severe allergies to them.

We have an open-door policy, and your feedback is essential. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please feel free to reach out to us via [familysupport@highshore.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:familysupport@highshore.southwark.sch.uk).

Have a good weekend,

Sam

## Pupils of the Week

7A	Leila — For being especially helpful with classroom jobs this week
7R	Kailem — For writing in his book using his very neatest handwriting
8R	Ruby — For doing many acts of kindness
8T	Treasure — For doing great work in all lessons
8J	Racim — For working hard all week and correcting his mistakes instead of starting his work again
9J	Isaac — For his hard independent work in Literacy
9R	James — For confidently using strategies to stay calm in class
10O	Casey — For fantastic behaviour and engagement on our first class trip to the park
10L	Precious — For her independence in the mornings and at home time
11L	Mahad — For a brilliant start to the mornings and for amazing speaking when calling out the busses at the end of the day!
11R	Anna — For being very helpful to staff and kind to classmates
12C	Annabelle — For enthusiastically reading the lunch menu with the class every day
12N	Ibrahim — For being a great role model
13/14C	Hamza — For speaking in a full sentence when asked what he wanted to do
Y13	Haylie — For an amazing start to the new term
13/14L	Anthony — For his excellent online Maths work
14K	Zubair — For bringing a change of clothes for gym
14L	Casey — For dealing with difficult situations in a mature way

## ★ Stars of the Week ★

**KS3/4—Anika (11L)**

For being safe at Swimming

**KS5—Janet (14K)**

For always trying her hardest in lessons.

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# Roots and Shoots!



## Orchard Hill open Days—

Friday 6th October—1.30pm

Saturday 3rd February—11.00am

For more information, or to book your place, please contact  
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