

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I trust this message finds you well and that you had a wonderful and restful Christmas break with your loved ones. As we embark on a new term, I wanted to extend a warm welcome back to all our students and families.

We have had a positive return to school. The students were very pleased to see their friends and teachers and get back to their routines.

I am excited to share that we have a brand new School Improvement Plan and priorities, which we look forward to sharing with you via our website. Over the first two weeks we are working on our assessments. This has involved discussing the progress your children are making, especially in English and Maths. I want to ensure that we are able to make secure judgements, which will then inform future learning and planning for all the students individually and as a group.

I am also pleased to share that at the very end of last term, a candidate accepted the offer for the Family Support Worker role. We are in the process of completing checks and we are hoping that she will be able to formally join the Highshore family around, or after, the February half term.

I value communication with parents very highly and I want to ensure that you are well informed about your child's learning in school. I hope you found the curriculum reviews sent home to be informative. We are in the process of discussing different ways for sharing information with you about your child's learning. Please bear with us.

We have some exciting events planned for parents this term. You will be informed of the details separately. Some of these will be:

- A parent coffee morning
- A book fair
- A stay and learn reading session
- A preparation for adulthood event
- A SALT workshop

Continuing from the success of trips last term, classes have already gone out to visit museums and galleries. We are planning for all classes to visit the community regularly to practice learnt skills, such as shopping, using money, ordering food and socialising with other peers - the list is endless!

Here is to a very exciting term ahead!

Have a lovely weekend,
Evelina

PS: Please note that we will be going digitally with the newsletter. In the next couple of weeks you will start receiving this newsletter as an email. We will be happy to make exceptions for anyone without access to technology.

Introducing...

From this week, we'll introduce you to different staff members around the School! You'll learn about what they do and how they impact your child's experience at Highshore. This week we start with a familiar face!



Hi everyone, my name is Nick and I am the Admin and Facilities Manager here at Highshore School.

I help make sure all of the records about Pupils, Staff and Families are up to date and that important information is shared with families and staff.

It is also my job to make sure that the school building and facilities are safe for everyone to use.

Pupils of the Week

7A	Emily — For being kind and helpful to her classmates and staff this week
7R	Diego — For making a big effort to compose sentences out loud before he writes them
8R	Earn — For doing extra Homework
8T	Treasure — For coming back from the holidays very confident and able to engage throughout every lesson
8J	Kaysan — For independently tying his shoelaces
9J	Ayman — For doing all his homework during the break and working hard this week
9R	James — For a positive and settled start to the new term
10O	Sky — For using phonics to help her spell a new word in Literacy
10L	Selim — For great group work in Maths
11L	Anika — For listening to instructions and excellent writing in Literacy
11R	Poppy — For doing well helping in the canteen
12C	Alhaji — For excellent focus during lessons
12N	Janiah — For consistently arriving at school on time
13/14C	Sidney — For successfully using his AAC to communicate his personal needs
Y13	Nico — For an amazing start to the new term
13/14L	Sara — For helping out in the dining room even when it's not her duty
14K	Janet — For a good start to the new year
14L	Kamari — For a great start to the new term



Stars of the week



KS3— Frazer—8R—For being mature and a helpful friend at lunch times

KS4—Phoebe—10L— For teaching Oli about the Greek Gods during lunch time

KS5— Annabelle—12C—For her hard work completing Literacy work over the Christmas break

Southwark Local Offer

SOCIAL CLUB FOR AUTISTIC PEOPLE AGES 16-25

JOIN US EVERY TUESDAY 11AM-2PM! STARTING 05/09/23



Suitable for independent young people & those with carer support, who can partake in discussions.

WHAT'S IN?
A FRIENDLY GROUP WHERE YOU CAN WORK ON SOCIAL SITUATIONS THAT YOU MAY BE FINDING DIFFICULT.

ACTIVITIES:
MUSIC AND DANCE, SPORTS (INDOOR AND OUTDOOR), CURRENT AFFAIRS, BOARD/CARD GAMES, BAKING, ICT, SPEAKERS, TRIPS OUT & LOTS MORE.

TOPICS:
MANAGING STRESS AND ANXIETY, BODY LANGUAGE, SELF-AWARENESS, SLEEP PROBLEMS, COPING WITH CHANGE, JUDGEMENT AND DECISION MAKING, ASSERTIVENESS, STAYING SAFE ONLINE, TIME MANAGEMENT, MONEY MANAGEMENT, RELATIONSHIP, TELLING PEOPLE ABOUT YOUR CONDITION.

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SEND
Special Connect for 16 to 25 year olds

Empower. Engage. Excel.
Join our inclusive and empowering program designed to help you achieve your goals, develop essential life skills, and build lasting connections.

Sessions are FREE!

Come and Meet!
Our neurodiverse young adults, who take part in self-express art therapy workshop with time to socialise and meet new people, and discuss what's important to you. We offer: Beauty and art therapy, music, drama, story telling, reading circles, film making, multiports, cooking club, gaming, poetry etc.

Contact:
Email: angelbreakfastafterschoolclub@gmail.com
Telephone: 07957472504
Location: Pelican Plus Hall, Crane House, Grumant Road SE15 5NF
Start Date: 19th August 2023
Every Saturday 2PM-4PM
Every Half-term Holidays on-Fri 10AM-2PM

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Toucan Employment Young People's Social Group



Go to football matches, art galleries, gigs, etc in London

Make Friends!


Opportunities for young Southwark residents with learning difficulties/disabilities and autism, 16-25, supported by experienced staff.

Events will happen in the evening, at weekends, and during holidays.

Contact Alex Margolies, CEO at Toucan Employment to find out more and register.
Alex@toucanemployment.org
Tel: (020) 3751 9681

Whippersnappers Choose What We Do SOCIAL CLUB

Funded by Southwark Council



A newly funded special interests, skills & social club supporting young people with additional needs in Southwark.

For young people 16-25 YEARS
With EHCP plans living in Southwark
Sept 2023 to March 2024
Pilot project

Working in partnership with:

WHIPPERSNAPPERS
BELL HOUSE for wider learning
THE PLATFORM CAFE
GROVE ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

For more information and to sign up email: adavey@whippersnappers.org or visit our website: www.whippersnappers.org

COMPUTING AND PROGRAMMING ACADEMY

Coding & Computing Club
For young people with SEND

Every Mon: 5pm - 7pm

The Southwark Resource Centre, Hittard Court, 10 Bradenham Cl, London SE17 2QB

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

6-MONTHS PROGRAM FREE

WHAT WE PROVIDE:

- Fun and Interactive Coding Sessions
- Supportive Environment
- A Chance to Make New Friends
- Tuition and support provided (ratio 1:4) but parents/ carers welcome to stay if you need more support!

Register and for more information: 07472742928
www.capa.org.uk

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER



SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

COME TO the BOOK FAIR!

AND EARN FREE BOOKS FOR OUR SCHOOL!

1st-8th
February @
Highshore School

