



We are an inspiring learning community with high expectations, where all feel safe and happy and everybody has the opportunity to unlock and realise their potential

What's happening this term?

09.02.18	Break for half term
Half Term	Monday 12 th February to Friday 16 th February (5 days)
19.02.18	Inset Day (no school for children)
20.02.18	Children return to school
29.03.18	Last day of term
April Easter	Holiday Friday 30 th March to Friday 13 th
16.04.18	First day of Summer Term

Message from the Headteacher

I am sure many of you will have spotted the Anomaly Screens that have been installed in both playgrounds. As the screens are part-funded by CAMHS – the service that provides mental health services for both children and adults – the displays include some very useful information about children's well-being: an increasingly 'hot topic' in the media. Do please have a look when you are in the playground. Once staff have been trained, the section that is personal to the William Hogarth School will be updated regularly to include useful day-to-day information which should help to improve communication. We will also be able to use the screens to engage the children with sports, games and activities during breaks and lunch-times.

In a bid to make it easier for parents and carers to keep up-to-date with school communications, we will be launching the William Hogarth School app after half term. This will work just like any other app that you might have installed on your mobile devices, with notifications pinging through so that you are able to access the information that you need without having to open emails or attachments. As soon as this is ready to go live, I will let you know details of how you can install it.

Some of our older children are playing the online game *FORTNITE* which is described as a cross between Minecraft and Left 4 Dead. On a safeguarding note, parents and carers will want to consider the 12 plus recommended age rating of this game, when deciding whether they are happy for their children to play it. There are two key points to consider. Firstly, the children play online against other people in real-time. This means that there is the potential for them to be communicating with strangers and it is very difficult to supervise this type of communication effectively, even with internet filters etc, as it takes place via a microphoned headset. The second issue is that the game is supported through micro-transactions, so that players can purchase in-game currency to access various upgrades. Our parent support advisor, Margaret Curran, has advised me that last year, a child ran up a bill of £800, unaware that this would be an actual cost to their parents.

Finally, just a quick reminder that SOFTSTART begins on Monday. The new morning procedures are detailed below for your information.

Have a fantastic weekend.

Miss Stockley

SOFTSTART PROCEDURES

1. 'Softstart' will be introduced from Monday 15th January.
2. Instead of lining up in the playground, children can go straight into their classroom from 0845
3. Children's entrance points will be as follows:
 - Reception : reception playground gate
 - Year 1 : year 1 gate
 - Year 2 : Year 2 stairs door
 - Year 3 & Year 4 : Year 4 stairs door
 - Year 5 : classroom doors
 - Year 6 : Year 6 corridor door
4. Children's entrances will be staffed from 0845
5. Children's entrances will be closed promptly at 0855 for Years 1 – 6, and at 0900 for Reception children
6. Accompanying adults / parents will not be able to enter the school building via the children's entrances. If parents / carers need to leave a message for the class teacher, they can do so with the staff member supervising the entrance or by visiting the school office
7. Children who arrive after 0855 should go directly to the school office for a late slip
8. Gates onto the school site from Devonshire Street and Duke Road will be closed promptly at 0905.

Vacancy Lunch Time Supervisor Role

The William Hogarth School are currently recruiting for a Lunch Time Supervisor. If you are interested, or you know of anybody who might be interested please contact the school office for further information.

Telephone: 0208 994 4782 or email: admin@hogarth.hounslow.sch.uk

Role: To ensure the safety of children at lunchtimes, both inside the school environment during meal times and outside in the playground after lunch.

Hours: 11.55am -1.15pm Monday to Friday

The William Hogarth School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people, and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check along with other relevant employment checks. The school also has a strong commitment to achieving equality of opportunity and expects all employees to implement and promote this in their own work.

Closing date: 15th January 2018

Nursery September 18

If you have a child who will be 3 years old by August 31st and you would like to make an application for a place at our Nursery Class for September 18, please complete and return the attached application form or collect one from the school office.

The closing date for applications is Friday 4th May 2018.



Starting Nursery class in September 2018

Children born between **1 September 2014** and **31 August 2015** can take up a free, part-time place in a nursery class from the September before their fourth birthday.

You can apply for a nursery class for September 2018 by contacting Hounslow Schools. The closing date for applications is **4 May 2018**.

Please read our 'Starting in a Hounslow School Nursery in September 2018' brochure carefully before completing your application.

Download the application form and brochure from our website www.hounslow.gov.uk/nurseryadmissions

FOWHS News

A warm Happy New Year to you all. Before we look to the new term I wanted to let you know on the last day of Term 1, I hosted our first ever PTA Thank You morning tea. This was an opportunity for me as Chair and for our Head Teacher Miss Stockley to thank the PTA parents for all their work in Term 1. Ms Stockley had the brilliant idea of including the Student Council reps from KS2 so that the PTA parents could meet them, and also to involve the Parent Governors. This was a great opportunity for us all to meet one another. I then split them into groups so we could talk with the students and see how they would spend our PTA funds, given the opportunity! It was really insightful feedback from the students and a great way to communicate and work together as a whole school team, so this new initiative will continue throughout the year, and one which will also include the House Captains.

So armed with their suggestions, we will be having a full PTA team meeting very soon, to choose how we spend some of our hard earned funds! All parents and carers are welcomed to attend this meeting and any meetings we hold. The date for this next meeting will be circulated soon.



Bake Sale:

This Friday's Bake sale is brought to you by Year 6.

Bake Dates for you diary:

19th January: Year 5

26th January: Year 4

2nd February: Year 3

9th February: Year 2

Half Term Break

23rd February: Year 1

2nd March: Reception

Have a lovely weekend

Elizabeth Cook

Copies of the newsletter are available online at: <http://www.williamhogarthschool.co.uk/newsletters.php>

Home Start

If you have some free time after half-term, and you are a parent or grandparent, you could help other families with pre-school children. Local charity Home-Start is offering a free course to train you to be a home-visiting volunteer, supporting families with difficulties such as post-natal illness, bereavement or disability. The course will run in Hounslow 9.30am-2.30pm, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 27 Feb to 21 March. After the course, you would visit a family for 2-3 hours a week. For more information, please contact Angie Ahmed 020 8487 8500.

1. Fundraising: If you are considering fundraising for a local charity, please consider Home-Start. Every £10 raised will help to fund the first visit to a parent in desperate need of support. Every £25 will help to support a family at home for one week. We really appreciate every penny you can give.

2. How Home-Start can help your families

The Home-Start service is available in the boroughs of Hounslow, Richmond and Kingston and offers one to one support for parents with a child under 5, reaching out to families at risk of social exclusion.

We place trained volunteers alongside parents to support them during difficult times. Parents may be struggling with depression, divorce, domestic violence, bereavement, disability or a combination of factors that can affect their children's welfare.

If you come across a family that could need our help, please call us on 020 8577 9552 and we will contact them to assess how their needs can be met.

Thank you in advance for your support. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me or our family support co-ordinators.

Best regards
Angie Ahmed



Support and friendship for families

Are you a parent/grandparent?
Would you like to help local families?



If you can spare a few hours a week to help families with children under 5, local charity Home-Start can train you to support those having a difficult time.

Our free volunteer course runs in Hounslow on Tues and Weds from 27 Feb to 21 Mar, 9.30am-2.30pm. Can be accredited to NVQ 1 or 2.

To find out more, contact Angie Ahmed
Home-Start Richmond, Kingston & Hounslow

020 8487 8500

info@homestart-richmond.org.uk



www.homestart-richmond.org.uk Reg. Charity No: 1108975

East Area Children's Centre
at
Chiswick Children's Centre
9 Devonshire Street, Chiswick, W4 2JR. 020 8583 5603

Monday

Let's Get Physical
Fun fitness session
for all the family.
Children from 2 ½
to 5 years

2:00-2:45



Tuesday

Story and Craft
Fun story time with a craft
activity to support the story.

10:00-11:30

Booking required, please book
every Friday from 1:30pm

020 8583 5603 spaces are
limited.

Wednesday

Stay and Play
at **Cavendish Primary
School**

A time for children and
their families to spend
quality time together.
Come along and share
play and learning
opportunities in our
lovely playrooms and
gardens.

9:20-11:20

Friday

Mini Multiples 10:00-12:00

This Stay and Play is perfect for families with twins and triplets to meet with other multiple birth families to share experiences and get helpful advice.

Thursday

Baby Rhythm and Rhyme 10:00-10:30
Rhythm and Rhyme 10:45-11:30
Fun and interactive music session.
Singing a mixture of traditional and new rhymes.

Stay and Play 1:30-3:30

For a current timetable please visit [fsd,hounslow.gov.uk](http://fsd.hounslow.gov.uk) or visit your local children's centre



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CHANGE GEAR

Learn to **ride** with
Change Gear

Our range of 4 week childrens' cycling course are designed to develop balance, improve co-ordination, gain confidence and learn to ride safely.

Monday 8 January 2018
3 - 5 year olds 16:00 - 17:00
6 - 10 year olds 17:00 - 18:00
Osterley Sports & Athletics Centre
Wood Lane TW7 5FF

Contact us today for bookings or for further details
07766246785 | hounslowbikeability@parkwood-leisure.co.uk

Check out our website for courses, venues & times
www.parkwoodoutdoors.com/centre/hounslow-bikeability

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