

Newsletter

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A Message from Ms Williams

Dear Parent/Carer

At Applemore we lead with positivity and praise and at this point in the year there is always so much to celebrate! Alongside our Year group trips this week, today was Sport's Day and what a fantastic occasion it was! There were fantastic home-made banners, mascots and house colours alongside the newly modified house theme tunes and some very speedy athletes! We continue the theme on Monday with a house football tournament and Year group 'general knowledge quiz' and in the evening host our annual presentation evening for academic achievement and effort. Tuesday's reward assemblies will mark our final presentations of the year, before we part for the Summer. Thank you, Parents, for all your support and for your amazing and inspiring children. Wishing you a wonderful Summer break when we get there.

With very best wishes,



Fond Farewells

Farewell from Mr Poole

" After 13 enjoyable years working at Applemore College it is time for me to move 'back home' to take up a position as Vice Principal in an Academy in Bournemouth. I shall miss my wonderful colleagues and also the brilliant students...I can honestly say it has been a pleasure to teach them. Thank you, also, to the parents and carers I have met with along the journey you can't get wonderful children without wonderful parents!"



Applemore Houses

Introducing our brand new House Logo/Mascots

We're thrilled to unveil our brand-new house logos, expertly crafted by Mr. Mills, our talented Marketing and Media Technician. With over 20 years of experience in graphic design, Mr. Mills brought these designs to life from the ground up. Starting with rough concept sketches and refining them into the stunning final versions you see today. As shared in our previous newsletters, the new house names, based on predatory animals, were chosen by student vote, and we're proud to present them in their completed form. The student response has been overwhelmingly positive, they think the logos look amazing!





Maths takes Flight

Paper Aeroplane Challenge

On Thursday, students from Years 7 and 8 took part in an exciting "Paper Aeroplane Challenge." The activity saw students designing and crafting their own paper planes before heading out to the playing field to put their creations to the test. With great enthusiasm and a touch of friendly competition, they launched their planes to see whose design could soar the farthest. The event was a fun and engaging way to blend creativity, maths, and the fresh outdoors.

The Results...

Distance

Final 1 Layla Travis Yr7
Final 2 Matthew Robertson Yr 8

Target

Elliott McColl Yr7

Special Mention

Dominic Hayward Yr7 (Plane flew the farthest when no one was measuring!)



End of Year school trip

Longdown Activity Farm

The end-of-year school trip to Longdown Activity Farm was a fantastic day out for all involved. Students enjoyed a hands-on experience with a variety of friendly farm animals and took part in a range of fun activities. From ride-on tractors to interactive "have-a-go" stations, there was something for everyone to enjoy. The trip was filled with laughter, learning, and lasting memories, making it a perfect way to round off the school year.





English

Summer Reading Challenge

Reading a good book can be incredibly rewarding. It not only strengthens language and literacy skills, but also sparks imagination and creativity. A well-written story can transport you to different worlds, introduce you to new ideas, and help you understand complex emotions and situations. Additionally, reading can be a relaxing escape from the pressures of school life, offering a quiet space for reflection and enjoyment. Overall, a good book can inspire, educate, and entertain—making reading a powerful tool for both learning and personal development.

For more info about the Summer Reading Challenge, see Mrs Lowe



Summer Reading Challenge: Dive into Books!

Get ready for an exciting summer filled with incredible stories, new knowledge, and thrilling adventures, all found within the pages of a book.

How the Challenge Works:

Complete as many of the following categories as you can. For each book you read that fits a category, tick it off, take a photo and receive house points for September 2025!

Try to read at least 5 books over the summer to complete the basic challenge but aim for more if you can!

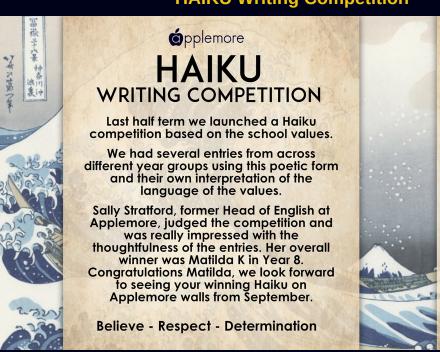
See Mrs Lowe for more information about the challenge

HAIKU



English

HAIKU Writing Competition





Ambitious for All Foundation

Foundation Newsletter

Please see the end of term newsletter from the Ambitious for All Foundation!

More information about this can be found here: https://www.theambitiousforallfoundation.org.uk/news



As the school year draws to a close the Trustees of the charity which supports all Applemore students would like to thank you very much for your support this year.

To date the Foundation has funded just over £10,000 worth of events and activities to support the

College.

Just this year alone we have funded and organised:

A Christmas Celebration concert

STEM day for Year 8

Arts day for Year 8

Arts day for Year 7

The annual wist to 10 Downing Street for a group of Year 10 students

An inspraintonal spectar for Years 7-10

Roised funds for the Year 11 Prom

Bought musical instruments for Year 10

Funded Theathe Company workshops for KS4 drama students

None of which would have been possible without the support of the Foundation as the school could not afford to offer these extra-curricular events on its own.

The Trustees passionately believe that the Ambitious for All Foundation Charity can make a positive difference to help the Applemore Community flourish and succeed in the future. We are fully invested in helping the school and its students become the very best that they can be. We already have big plans for next year but will **need your continued support** to help us raise the funds

Currently we have an on-line auction running from Friday 11th July - Saturday 19th July (midday). The

following items are up for grabs:
• Yeti Roadie 24 Coolbox (retails at £225)

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- Lionesses signed programme New Forest Wildlife Park family ticket

To place a bid (or donate) please visit our website at www.theambitiousforallfoundation.org.uk

An Evening with Sam Fraser

Sam Fraser is a presenter for BBC local radio and TV in the south of England, a freelance writer and stand-up

She is a former English teacher, a former business owner and a former lecturer. 'Former' is a big thing for her.

Having grown up in Essex she has since migrated to the south coast where she lives with her husband, two sons and dogs, Lettice and Ludo (also known as 'the superfans').

When she is not working, she can be found on the beach, contemplating the sea and dreaming of the career she could have had as a knife thrower's assistant, if only she'd fit the leotard.

Save the date! Join us on Wednesday 15 October, at career and her hilarious journey into stand-up comedy

IT will definitely be an evening to remember!

Tickets available soon!





YETI ROADIE 24 - Auction

Just this year alone, the Foundation has funded and organised the Christmas celebration concert, STEM day for Year 8, Arts Day for Year 7, the annual visit to Number 10 for a group of Year 10 students, inspirational speakers for Year 10, raised funds for the Year 11 Prom, bought musical instruments for Year 10 and supported the Theatre Company workshops for KS4 Drama students, to name but a few! None of which would have been possible without the support of the Foundation as the school simply could not afford to offer these extracurricular events on its own.

The trustees passionately believe that **The Ambitious For All Charity** can make a positive difference to help the Applemore Community flourish and succeed in the future. The list above clearly demonstrates that the funds we have raised so far are having a very positive impact upon the Applemore Community and are much appreciated, so please can we have as much help as possible so we can offer even more next year!

You still have time to head on over to the Ambitious for All website and make a bid for this incredibly tough cool box. The perfect addition to keeping your summer drinks nice and cold!

https://www.theambitiousforallfoundation.org.uk/



Art is Everywhere!

Arty News

And there it was....another academic year has flown by. My 29th at Applemore. This year has been filled with many highs in the art and photography department. I really believe that the department is going from strength to strength, and it's all down to the brilliant young artists and photographers and their amazing teachers, who facilitate, encourage, cajole and guide on a daily basis to ensure that art and photography are subjects that our students have a real passion for.

My thanks and gratitude to Mrs Lowe for her fantastic work with year 7. To Mrs Scudder, Mr Taylor, Mrs Hall and Mrs Ballard for being amazing in developing the skills of the year 8 artists. To Mrs Allen, Ms Dunne, Mrs Ballard and Mrs Hall for their patience, skill and endurance in navigating the tricky year that is year 9. To Mrs Hall and Mrs Ballard for being fabulous in helping to get the year 10s' to a really good place in Art and to Mr Kemp who has superbly done the same in photography. And finally, to Mr Kemp and Mrs Hall for being my

superstar supports to ensure that year 11 artists and photographers left Applemore feeling positive about their GCSEs

If you have read my ramblings this year, or sought out the Artist of the Week, thank you. Please have a wonderful summer, and don't forget that Art Is Everywhere. Be inspired to seek it out and appreciate the joy it brings.

Take care,

Mr Wheatley - Head of Art & Photography





This week's Artists of the Week are the lovely Mrs Scudder and her amazing year 8 artists. One of things I love about teaching art is where you devise a project and the teachers and students really get on board with it and produce work that is out of this world! With Mrs Scudder's expert guidance, the year 8's have done this incredibly well. I'm so proud of them and the superb results. Well done all!

Artist of the Week

Artist of the Week: Liliane Lijn



This week's Artist of the Week is Liliane Lijn. I love visiting an art gallery, and Tate St Ives is my favourite. At the moment, Lilian Lijn has an exhibition of her work there. Some of it is amazing, and some is...well... not to my taste. She incorporated kinetic movement into her art. That's the great thing about art, one person's art is another person's non art. Have a lovely summer break and go search out some art of your own.



Attendance

Every day in school counts...











and every minute counts...



















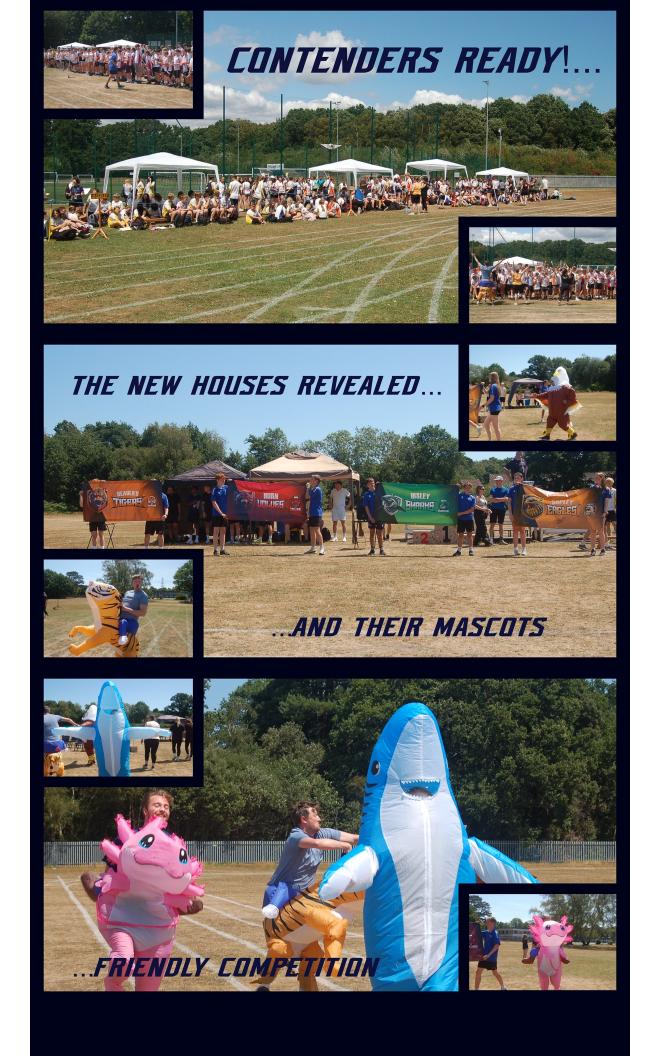






It's Sports Day!!

What a fantastic day it was! **So many students** participating in the events, in scorching temperatures! Everyone also got to see the **new house logos** and **mascots!** Below are a few snaps from today - **please watch out for more photos across our social media in the coming days!**







IT'S ABOUT BELONGING TO SOMETHING WHOLE



Believe

Respec

Determination







SCHOOL GAMES GOLD Award

Once again Applemore shows that being Determined, and having a Belief in yourself, you can accomplish your goals. Another Fantastic achievement.

Applemore secure a GOLD School Games Mark Award!



We are delighted to announce that we, Applemore, have achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2024/25 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Our sporting achievements this year include:

Year 7-10 - County Cross Country Finalists
Year 10 Football Team - League Winners!
Under 15s Girls' Rugby Team - 3rd Place in Hampshire Tournament
Year 10 Basketball Team - 4th in The League
Applemore Swimming Gala - 70+ Children Participated
Autumn & Spring Interhouse - All Years Participated
Year 8 & U16 Girls' Netball Teams - Participation in league & Annual Tournament
Under 15s Girls' Rugby Teams - Participation & Running of New Forest Tournament
Rounders Teams' - Year 9 (2nd Place) & Year 10 (3rd Place)
New Forest District Athletics - 70+ Pupils Selected & Took Part!
Primary School Links - Cross-Country, Girls' Football & Sports Day Ambassadors
Project Power Girls' Fitness Workshop - 150+ Girls' Active in Sport!
Year 7-10 - County Athletics Finalists
Special Mentions - Elijah C (1st in Hampshire Javelin), Summer G (2nd Badminton),

Ethan D-A (Oxford FC Scholarship), Molly L (Hampshire Football Nomination)

With a total of over 200 young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year. A special thanks to the PE department, our

















Future Fridays

Mentoring

Year 10 Mentoring Celebration and Looking Ahead - SATRO Mentoring Programme 24-25 This week, we are delighted to be celebrating the achievements of our Year 10 mentors and the students they have supported throughout the year. It has been a rewarding experience

for everyone involved, and we are incredibly proud of the positive impact our mentors have made.

We are also pleased to confirm that the mentoring programme will continue next year with our new cohort of Year 10 students. We look forward to building on this year's success and further strengthening the culture of peer support at Applemore College.

If you have a career story or experience you'd be happy to share with our eager students, please get in touch with Ms Charrett at k.charrett@applemore.hants.sch.uk.

Let's keep inspiring futures — one Friday at a time!



Applemore Careers Guidance



Careers Update

Careers Fair - Save the Date

I'm delighted to invite you to the Applemore Careers Fair on Wednesday, 12th November 2025, from 2:00pm to 5:30pm.

This year, we're expanding the event to include the entire school, giving Years 7 and 8 the opportunity to explore future pathways and engage with a wide range of career options (2-3pm). From 3:00pm to 5:30pm, we welcome Years 9-11 and we'll also be welcoming their parents and carers, making it a truly collaborative and inspiring experience for our whole school community.

Last year's fair was a huge success, with overwhelmingly positive feedback from students, families, and exhibitors alike we look forward to seeing you.

If you have a career story or experience you'd be happy to share with our eager students, please get in touch with Ms Charrett at k.charrett@applemore.hants.sch.uk.

Let's keep inspiring futures — one Friday at a time!

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Wednesday 12th November

We are inviting local employers, colleges and universities to join us.

Lesson 5 - Years 7 and 8

Years 9, 10, and 11 plus Parents and Carers from 3:00 pm - 5:30pm

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Community News

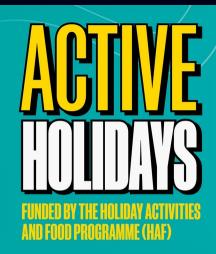
Community News

A whopping bumper packed Community News this week as we approach the eagerly awaited summer holidays. With so much going on in the area, there is plenty to see and do to help keep boredom at bay, and energetic minds occupied. So check out some of these incredible action packed, creative, and engaging fun days.

Community News

Some fantastic activities to look at here.

https://www.gatewaycentralservices.org/news/?pid=7&nid=3&storyid=5



A MIXTURE OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, INCLUDING FOOTBALL AND MULTI-SPORTS, EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS AND A HOT MEAL FOR LUNCH



MONDAY 28TH, TUESDAY 29TH, WEDNESDAY 30TH, THURSDAY 31ST JULY And Friday 18T August I Monday 11Th, Tuesday 12Th, Wednesday 13Th, Thursday 14Th, Friday 15Th August I Tuesday 26Th, Wednesday 27Th, Thursday 28Th and Friday 29Th August

I MONDAY 1ST AND TUESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 10AM - 3PM

RINGWOOD COMMUNITY HUB, 155 LONG LANE
UPPER KINGSTON, RINGWOOD, BH24 3BX
FOR CHILDREN AGED 8-14 YEARS OLD,
WHO ARE IN RECEIPT OF FREE SCHOOL MEALS
SESSIONS ARE FREE OF CHARGE









TO GET FURTHER INFORMATION **Please email:**Head of Community **Steve cuss** on - **Steve.cuss@afcb.co.uk** or **07973893594**











NEW FOREST SUMMER HAF 2025

What is HAF

Our programme is designed to keep young children active, engaged and secure during the school holidays.

Completely Free, must be eligible for benefit related FSM, sen/ehcp.







Teens

Teens Aged between 11-16 years. 10am-2pm

24 th July	5 th August	19 th August
25 th July	8 th August	22 nd August
29 th July	12 th August	26 th August
1 st August	15 th August	

How To book

Go to our site and fill out a booking form. https://www.gatewaycentralservices.org/

Location

New Forest Academy School, Long lane, SO45 2PA Teens do not require a adult/carer to attend.



Activities

Bowling
Kyaking
Swimming
Nerf War
Battle Zone
Outdoor Adventures
Summer Day Trip



Contact us

Email: hafbookings@gateway centralservices.org

Number: 01794 522 106













SWIMMING NEW FOREST

Friday 25th July 2025 10am - 2pm

For Youths between 11 and 16 years & are eligible for free school meals, SEN/Ehcp plan or Refugee

To book download a booking form from our website www.gatewaycentralservices.org/

New Forest Academy, Long lane, SO45 2PA



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For Youths between <u>Il and 16 years</u> & are eligible for free school meals, SEN/Ehcp plan or Refugee



THURS 24 JULY 10:00- 14:00 FREE

NEW FOREST ACADEMY SCHOOL TEENS

To book download a booking form from our website

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2025

KAYAKIRG NEW FOREST TEENS



10AM-2PM 15TH AUGUST

NEW FOREST ACADEMY, LONG LANE, SO45 2PA



For Youths between 11 and 16 years & are eligible for free school meals, SEN/Ehcp plan or Refugee

To book download a booking form from our website www.gatewaycentralservices.org/

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Community News

Look at these incredible Summer Holiday activities from Fairthorne Manor, just right for anyone looking for something to do in the holidays! Have a better browse here: https://ymca-fg.org/

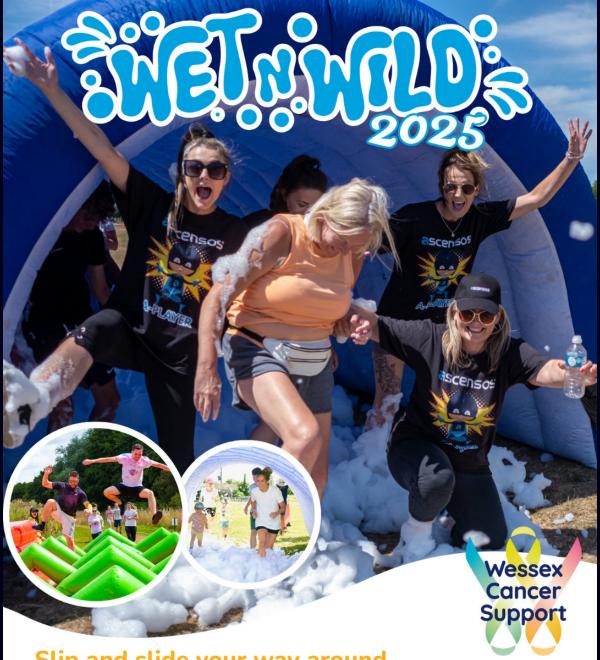




Community News

This event is near Fordingbridge, in the New Forest, on **Saturday 2 August**. You can find more details here: Wet N' Wild 2025 | Wessex Cancer Support

Jubilee Camping, who are hosting the event, have also offered reduced camping fees if you'd like to make a weekend of it. Book your pitch here: Campsite | Fordingbridge | Jubilee Camping and make sure you let them know you are taking part in our fantastic event.



Slip and slide your way around our aqua assault course

Saturday 2 August 2025 Jubilee Camping, Fordingbridge, Hampshire

Scan the QR code to sign up or visit wessexcancer.org.uk/events





🕜 023 8067 2200 🌘 fundraising@wessexcancer.org.uk

Registered charity number: 1110216



This activity is provided by Xcentric Events, please visit our website for full details.

Community News

Look at these incredible Summer Holiday activities from Eastleigh Football Club, just right for anyone looking for something to do in the holidays! Have a better browse here: https://eastleighfc.com/community/holiday-courses/



Community News

Visiting our coastal town of Lymington? Well, the St Barbe Museum and Art Gallery have some great boredom busting activies on over the summer. Deep dive into what's on here: https://www.stbarbe-museum.org.uk/whats-on/

Summer

Holidays 2025





Around the Gallery Wed 23 July – Tues 2 Sept

Summer Holidays! Explore the Exhibition

Families | Available all day | Included in entry price

Self-led family fun activities around our Mexico exhibition. Dress up in traditional costumes, play a game of Lotería (Mexican bingo) and have a go at making some Mexican music.

Fri 1 August

Mexican Paper Flowers

Ages 3+ | Drop-in 10:30-12:30 & 1:30-3:30 | Free

Join us to create your very own beautiful paper flowers inspired by the colourful crafts of Mexico.

Thursdays in August

"Arriba!" Let's Go!

Ages 3+ | Drop-in 10:30-12:30 | Free | @ St Barbe

Drop-in family craft session based on our Viva Mexico exhibition - different each week!

Mexican Dolls | Tin Art | Mini Pinatas | Mexican Decorations

Mon 4 August

St Barbe Out and About - summer holiday activities

Ages 3+ | Drop-in 11-12:30 | Free | PENNINGTON

We've popped over to Pennington to bring you some family fun activities inspired by our Viva Mexico exhibition. – Mexican Fiesta! Make a Mexican inspired musical instrument and party decorations. Find us at St Mark's Community Hall, Pennington SO41 8EJ

Mon 18 August

St Barbe Out and About - summer holiday activities

Ages 3+ | Drop-in 11-12:30 | Free | SWAY

We've skipped over to Sway to bring you some family fun activities inspired by our Viva Mexico exhibition – Mexican Folk Art - make Mexican inspired dolls and tin art designs. Find us at Sway Village Hall SO41 6BB

Tues & Weds in August St Barbe at Large

Ages 3+ | Drop-in 11-3 | Free | At Emsworth Road Park A range of craft activities for all ages out in the open air.

Fri 22 August

Marvellous Mexican Music

Ages 7+ | 10-11am, 11:30-12:30 & 3-4pm | £7 | Limited places | Adult supervision for under 13 years Immerse yourself in ancient Mexican culture: Investigate unusual instruments played by the Aztecs and the Maya centuries ago and try on traditional styles of clothing that have changed very little in hundreds of years. Be introduced to the variety of instruments, hear them being played and have a go yourself.

St Barbe Museum + Art Gallery, New Street, Lymington SO41 9BH

01590 676969 | www.stbarbe-museum.org.uk registered charity no 1018779



The Handy Trust

Handy Trust Timetable

Here are some Handy Trust timetables for the summer.



- * 18th Aug Animals
- 25th Aug celebration week

Activities include arts and crafts and sports on the field

We supply a free healthy lunch option.



Under 10s must be accompanied by an adult. Whole family welcome!



With many thanks, as always, to our funders and supporters including;

Hythe and Dibden Parish Council, Marchwood Parish Council,

Waterside Community Fund, NFDC, Hythe Youth Club and Marchwood Hub.











Mental Health & Wellbeing

Altruistic August

Why not have a go throughout August...



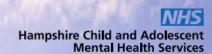


Mental Health & Wellbeing

Love photography?

Are you a budding young photographer? Like to capture the moment, the here and now? Or create stunning landscapes or emotional portraits? Well, now's your chance to show off just what you and your camera can do. You could be one 'camera' click away from winning some fabulous prizes, not to mention bragging rights too!

So here's the first click you need. This link takes you there: https://hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/campaigns/safe-campaign-copy/



Young persons photo competition 2025

Connections

Hampshire CAMHS are looking for creative photos that reflect connections, how we connect, who we connect with and the importance of connections.

No faces permissible.

This competition is open to any young amateur photographer in Hampshire.

Age categories: • Up to 12 years old • 13 to 18 years old

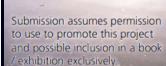
Prizes in each category

1st Place £100 Amazon voucher

2nd Place £75 Amazon voucher

3rd Place £50 Amazon voucher

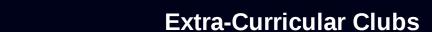
Submission date: Midnight on 8th September 2025
All submissions must be supplied with an entry form



The entry form and details, along with our terms and conditions can be found on our website hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk







Fantasy Gaming Club

Mr Mills is excited to launch a brand-new Fantasy Gaming Club for students in Years 7 to 11, starting in the 2025/26 school year this September. Building on the success of the

former Warhammer Club, which saw fantastic engagement and creativity, this new club aims to expand the horizons of tabletop and fantasy gaming. With a growing gaming community already thriving within the school, interest is at an all-time high. The club is open to everyone who's curious about fantasy worlds, strategy games, and collaborative storytelling —no experience needed, just imagination and enthusiasm!

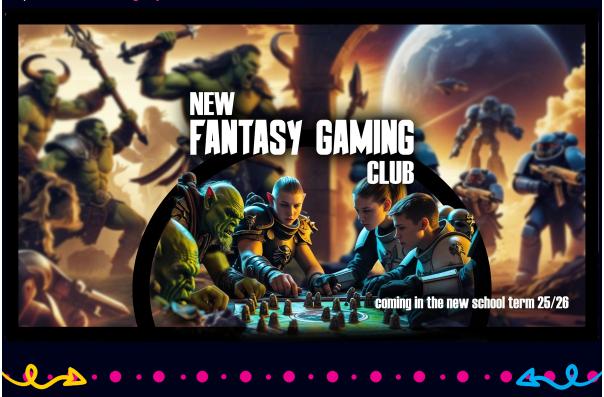
Warhammer 40k Necromunda

HeroQuest

Dungeons & Dragons

These are just some of the games that can be explored.

Mr Mills experience as a keen miniature painter, expands over 40 years! So get your brushes, glue, and paints at the ready. Prepare your men for battle, or explore the unknown depths in search of glory and treasures alike.



#WakeUpWednesday

Whether it's sunny days at the beach or fun in the paddling pool, children are naturally drawn to water. But with excitement comes risk. This guide brings together 10 clear, practical tips to help parents and educators protect children around water – whether that's at home, on school trips or on holiday.

Backed by the Royal Life Saving Society UK, the advice includes knowing what beach flags mean, avoiding inflatables in open water, and learning to 'float and call' in an emergency. With a focus on prevention and supervision, this guide is a must-read for summer safety and beyond.

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