

## **Newsletter 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

Dear parents and carers

At Branfil, we are constantly striving to improve and develop to ensure every pupil has the best possible primary education. Every year, the Governing Body supports and monitors our School Improvement Plan (SIP), which identifies our priorities for improvement (please see website – Our School tab – SIP).

This year, our main priorities are as follows:

- Develop knowledge and skills of teaching staff to ensure all lessons are effectively adapted to fully meet the needs of all pupils with additional needs
- Further develop a range of strategies to support accelerated progress for Pupil Premium children
- Further develop accurate assessment of foundation subjects
- Develop tracking and evaluation systems for interventions

We also continue to develop areas that we have focused on for the last couple of years so they become embedded in what we do: our curriculum offer, early reading and writing provision, Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) and awareness of cultural diversity. Please contact the office if you would like more information about our SIP.

Mrs Sansom, Headteacher

### **New Social Media Policy**

Social media (including all apps, sites and games that allow sharing and interaction between users) is a fact of modern life, and as a school, we accept that many parents/carers, staff and pupils will use it.

We have a new Social Media Policy which you can find on our website:

<https://www.branfil.com/docs/Social%20Media%20Policy%20Sept%202023.doc>

Please take the time to read this. If parents/carers have a concern about the school, we urge them to contact us directly in private to resolve the matter.

### Vision for 2021-2026

#### **EVERYONE LEARNING TOGETHER**

Branfil is a vibrant learning community where we nurture lifelong learners who embody our school values and make a positive contribution to the world.

Adults and children feel valued and love learning together. Everyone thrives and achieves personal success through being happy, safe and confident learners, who ask questions, take appropriate risks, learn from their mistakes and seek help when needed.

LOVE  
EXPLORE  
ASPIRE  
RESPECT  
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### **World Mental Health Day**

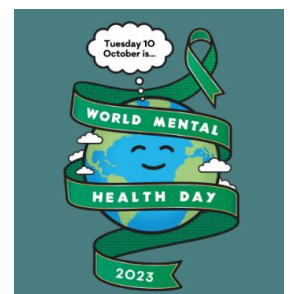
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October is World Mental Health Day.

We will be taking part in the #HelloYellow campaign.

YoungMinds, who organise this event, is a charity who are using #HelloYellow to raise awareness and spread the word that young people are not alone when dealing with their mental health. You will already have received the letter explaining how we will be recognising this day and the link to our justgiving page if you would like to donate.

The Lily Jo Project is a wonderful website containing many resources to support the mental health of adults and children. Please click on the following link for more information: [www.thelilyjoproject.com](http://www.thelilyjoproject.com)

Mrs White



### Branfil – Music Mark School Recognition

We are proud to receive the Music Mark School Certificate of Recognition for the fourth year running. This is in recognition of a commitment to providing a high-quality music education for all children and young people.



### 2 Beech Forest School

2 Beech thoroughly enjoyed their first Forest School session in Year 2 this week. They took part in den building, using a hand drill and a bow saw. The children worked fantastically as a team and enjoyed the snack and drink afterwards to celebrate their successes! A huge thank you to Mrs. Ferguson for running such a fantastic session and we look forward to the next couple of Tuesdays outside again. Mrs. Cullender



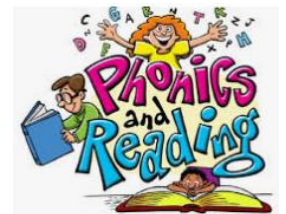
### OPAL – Maths Area

Olivia made a chair using the maths resources available at lunchtime - it looks pretty comfortable too!



### Year 2 Phonics/Reading Workshop

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the Phonics/Reading workshop on Wednesday 27th. It was great to see so many parents and carers engaged with reading with their child. We hope that it was informative and allowed you to have a clear insight into what reading looks like at Branfil. All information has been put onto both our school website and Google Classroom. Thank you again.  
Year 2 Team



### Harvest Festival Collection

We had an overwhelmingly generous response to the Harvest Festival collection. Thank you to all our families who have donated food which has been delivered to Tapestry in Hornchurch. The house with the highest number of items was Cely.



### Year 6 Bikeability

Some of the year 6 children have been lucky enough to take part in Bikeability training this week.

Bikeability cycle training equips children with vital life skills. Pupils not only learn to cycle, they gain independence, social skills and a sense of wellbeing.



### Excellence in the Arts

Toby in 6 Chestnut was last week's winner. He has used his digital design skills to create a colourful and eye catching flag for Hornchurch. His clever use of the Hornchurch FC badge makes his design stand out against the bright patterned background. Toby's flag has even impressed the Mayor who he sent it to and got a reply from!



This week's winner is Faye in 3 Hazel. She has been getting creative with salt dough to make this amazing necklace. Inspired by Year 3's history topic about the Stone Age, Faye has crafted a range of interesting shapes to create the tusks, bones and shells on her necklace.

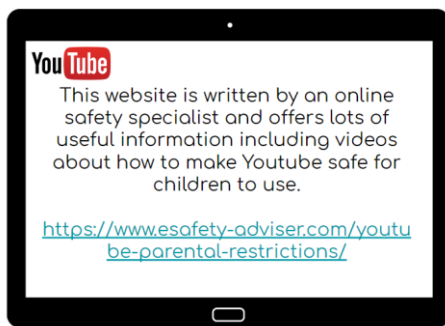


### Happy Birthday!

Danny, Isabella, David, Laura, Lottie, Albert, Zoe, Jude, Charlie, Gabriela, Cooper, Albert, Betsy-Lu, Teddy, Erin, Rebekah, Niamh, Willow, Aina, Lillianne, Morgan, Brody, Octavia, Charlie and Klaudijus.



### Internet Safety



### Contacting the school

Please be aware that if you contact the teachers during the school day they cannot be expected to read and respond to your email since they will be teaching. The teachers may check their emails during their lunch break, however, this is not a school expectation and they will not always have time to reply.



If you are emailing anything to do with attendance, e.g. illness or appointments, this must be sent to [attendance@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@branfil.havering.sch.uk).

If you are emailing regarding a different collection time or arrangement, only let the teachers know if you are able to inform them before 8am on the day. After this time, please email [office@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:office@branfil.havering.sch.uk). Please note, if the person collecting your child is on the pickup list you do not need to inform the school since they will be released to anyone on this list.

### Sharing concerns or making a complaint

We ask that you bring any matter of concern to the immediate attention of your child's class teacher, either in person at the end of the day as you pick your child up or through the year group email. All staff want to resolve any issues immediately so your child looks forward to being in school – please give them the chance to do that. Sharing negative issues on social media does not help your child and often makes a situation worse.

If you still do not feel that your concern has been resolved, the next step is to speak to your child's Year Leader – again, please make contact on the playground or through the year group email. Urgent issues can of course be raised by telephone alternatively.

Any issue that needs further support to resolve will be passed to a member of the leadership team and contact will be made, usually by telephone initially, often followed up by a meeting in person.

In the unlikely event that a resolution has not been found by this point, then we have a comprehensive Complaints Policy (available on the website), explaining what to do next.

Thank you in advance for your support in working in partnership for the benefit of your child.

### Contact with teachers

A reminder to parents/carers that they can contact their child's class teacher by using the following emails:

[acorns@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:acorns@branfil.havering.sch.uk)  
[conkers@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:conkers@branfil.havering.sch.uk)  
[year1@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:year1@branfil.havering.sch.uk)  
[year2@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:year2@branfil.havering.sch.uk)  
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[year5@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:year5@branfil.havering.sch.uk)  
[year6@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:year6@branfil.havering.sch.uk)



## Break-time Snacks and Drinks

Fresh water is available for use by the children throughout the day. No other drinks will be allowed in classrooms but children may bring a bottle or carton to drink with their lunch. These should be stored on their class lunch trolley at the beginning of the day.

In Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, children are provided with a piece of fruit or a vegetable each day during morning break, funded by the government.



In Years 3-6, children are allowed to bring in fruit or vegetables from home for break-time. These should be labelled and put in the class basket daily, not left in their packed lunch bag as this can cause disruption at playtime.



Please note, WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL. We have pupils who have severe nut allergies which can be life threatening so no products containing nuts can be brought into school. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Water Bottles

Please remember to send a named water bottle into school with your child each day. This should be plastic, reusable, approximately 500ml capacity (so it will fit into our carry crates) and clearly labelled with child's name and class. Only plain water is allowed.



## Free School Meals/Pupil Premium

Although this year all children in Reception through to Year 6 do not have to pay for school dinners, if you are in receipt of benefits, you may be entitled to Pupil Premium. By registering for Free School Meals/Pupil Premium now, you may be entitled to register with Havering's School Meal Holiday Scheme, which provides £15 per child per holiday week, as well as receive help from school with things like uniform, school trips, etc. For further details or to apply please go to: <https://www.havering.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals>

## Absent from School

Appointments should be made outside of school hours. If it is not possible to arrange a medical appointment, including doctors, dentist, opticians or hospital appointments, outside the school day, please send a copy of your appointment by text or email to: [attendance@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@branfil.havering.sch.uk).

This is necessary in order for the absence to be authorised. Please email in advance of the appointment to ensure that the teacher is aware and your child/children are sent to the office ready for you to collect.

**Please remember to contact the school when your child is absent on a daily basis.** You can either email: [attendance@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@branfil.havering.sch.uk) or telephone the school on 01708 225186 and **press option 1 if you wish to leave a message.** Please leave your **child's name, class and reason for absence.** Please do not just say your child is unwell as we need to record a reason. If you wish to speak to a member of the office staff, please hold on the line and your call will be answered.

If your child has sickness or diarrhoea, they will need to remain off school for 48 hours after the symptoms have cleared.

## Authorised and Unauthorised Leave

We strongly recommend that holidays are not taken during term time since these cannot be authorised. For any other planned absence, in the event that this cannot be avoided, a formal request should be submitted as soon as it is anticipated and, where possible, before the absence. A leave of absence request form **must** be completed, assessable from the school office or by emailing: [attendance@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@branfil.havering.sch.uk). The headteacher may require evidence to support any request for leave of absence.

Only the school, within the context of the law, can approve absence, not parents or carers. The headteacher will only grant a leave of absence to a pupil during term time if they consider there to be 'exceptional circumstances' (this does not include family holidays, weddings or birthdays).

The local authority can fine parents for the unauthorised absence of their child from the school, where the child is of compulsory school age.

If issued with a fine, or penalty notice, each parent must pay £60 within 21 days or £120 with 28 days. The payment must be made directly to the local authority. If the payment has not been made after 28 days, the local authority can decide whether to prosecute or withdraw the notice. [O:\Primary\Attendance\Authorised and Unauthorised Leave.pdf](#)  
[..\Attendance\Holiday Forms\Q & A Penalty Notice Fact Sheet V2.pdf](#)

### **School start time**

A reminder that the back and front gates are open between 8.35 am and 8.45 am for children to arrive in school.

Any children who arrive after this time will receive a late mark. The minutes late, and reason for lateness, have to be entered onto our registration system, and the office staff will also ask for your child's lunch requirement – this can all mean a delay (especially if parents/carers have not consulted the menu in advance).

### **Reminder – pick up times**

Please can all parents and carers ensure that they enter the playground via the front or back gate at the correct times:

Reception – 3:10pm  
Year 1, 2 and Year 3 – 3:15pm  
Year 4, 5 and 6 – 3:20pm



These staggered times help to ensure that the children leave school safely at the end of the day. Please remember to enter the playground at the designated time, line up in front of the correct class and once you have collected your child leave promptly. If you have more than one child to collect, please wait at the back of the playground until the next time slot. Managing the exit of all our pupils safely requires careful planning and organisation. By adhering to the times you are supporting us to maintain safe routines. Thank you.

### **Action for all settings: Share information on Measles/MMR vaccination**

Measles cases are rising across the country, with over 102,000 children starting primary school in England being at risk of catching the disease. Education settings are being asked to share key messages from the NHS about MMR / measles and how to get vaccinated.

The [Back to school MMR Guidance](#) from the NHS includes information to share, as well as example social media posts which can be found here: [NHS Vaccine Poster](#) and [NHS MMR Poster](#).

Measles is highly infectious and if left unvaccinated nine out of ten children in a classroom can catch the disease if just one child is infectious. Parents are highly encouraged to get their children vaccinated.

### **Support children and young people to take part in The Big Ambition survey**

The Children's Commissioner for England has recently launched 'The Big Ambition' to hear directly from children, young people, and parents across the country. This is an opportunity to hear from all children, in every part of the country and in every setting. The survey will be used to encourage policymakers to think about children and young people's needs, to ensure children's voices are reflected in the decisions that will affect them in years to come.

Education settings play a critical role in enabling us to hear from as many children and young people as possible. That is why we are encouraging all settings in England to take part and let their pupils have their say on what is important to them! To find out more head to [The Big Ambition page](#).

To take part in The Big Ambition survey visit:  
[www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition](http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition).

### **X / Twitter**



Please follow us [@BranfilPrimary](#) to see life at Branfil.

## Weekly Attendance Awards!

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### 25.09.2023 – 29.09.2023

The following classes won the Attendance Superstar Certificate for excellent attendance of over 97%: 2 Beech, 2 Cedar, 3 Hazel, 4 Birch, 4 Rowan, 5 Alder, 5 Hawthorn and 6 Hornbeam.



### 02.10.2023 – 06.10.2023

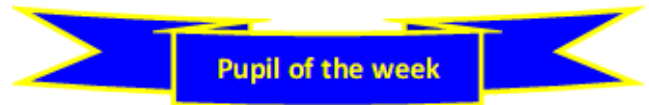
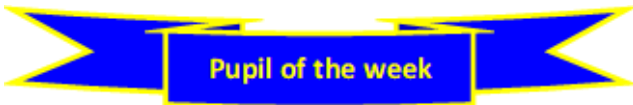
The following classes won the Attendance Superstar Certificate for excellent attendance of over 97%: 1 Pine, 2 Beech, 2 Holly, 3 Hazel, 3 Maple, 6 Chestnut and 6 Hornbeam.



A special 'well done' to 5 Hawthorn for 100% attendance.



A special 'well done' to 2 Beech for 100% attendance.



### 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023



Erin - 1 Pine  
Harry - 1 Lime  
Philip - 1 Willow  
Philip - 2 Cedar  
Rola - 2 Beech  
Mark - 2 Holly  
Meliha - 3 Hazel  
Leonel - 3 Oak  
Thomas - 3 Maple  
Maisy - 4 Birch  
Ava - 4 Rowan  
Gino - 4 Larch  
Frank - 5 Alder  
Millie - 5 Aspen  
Lexie - 5 Hawthorn  
Waaiz - 6 Hornbeam  
Oliver - 6 Acacia  
Simona - 6 Chestnut

### 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023



Darcy – Acorns  
Niamh – Conkers  
Marnie - 1 Pine  
Brayden - 1 Lime  
Alex - 1 Willow  
Ada-Rose - 2 Cedar  
Teddy-Jay- 2 Beech  
Jaxson - 2 Holly  
Tami - 3 Hazel  
William- 3 Oak  
Aleksandra - 3 Maple  
Jack - 4 Birch  
Sonny - 4 Rowan  
Charley - 4 Larch  
Paige - 5 Alder  
Harry - 5 Aspen  
Charlie - 5 Hawthorn  
Mila - 6 Hornbeam  
Bethany - 6 Acacia  
Koray - 6 Chestnut

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Monday, 9 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Year 2 – Creating Pudding Lane – parent event
Tuesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Wear something yellow in aid of World Mental Health Day
Tuesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Year 5 Employment and Engagement Session
Tuesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	4 Larch visit to Pizza Express 9:30am
Wednesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	All About Your Child Meetings
Thursday, 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Year 1 Maths Parental Workshop
Thursday, 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Friends of Branfil Disco for years 1, 3 and 4
Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Science Dome for Year 5
Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Friends of Branfil Disco for years 2, 5 and 6
Thursday, 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	School Tours for New Intake 2024 – 9:15am and 1:45pm
Thursday, 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Year 1 Science Workshop
Monday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> October – Friday, 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Autumn Half Term
Wednesday, 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2023	School Tour for New Intake 2024 – 9:15am
Thursday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2023	Reception Phonics Parent Workshop
Friday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2023	Year 5 – Miles the Mole Air Quality Theatre Production
Monday, 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Flu Vaccinations – session 1
Monday, 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Reception – Diwali Dance Workshop
Tuesday, 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	4 Rowan visit to Pizza Express 9:30am (amended date)
Friday, 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Year 3 Thorndon Park Caveman Trip
Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Odd Sock Day for Anti Bullying Week
Saturday, 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Friends of Branfil Christmas Bazaar
Friday, 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2023	INSET day
Thursday, 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Friends of Branfil Children's Xmas Sale
Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	3 Hazel Xmas performance for parents/carers
Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Flu Vaccinations - session 2
Wednesday, 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	3 Oak Xmas performance for parents/carers
Thursday, 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	3 Maple Xmas performance for parents/carers
Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Year 5 Parent Event – Sewing (D&T)
Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2023 – Wednesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2024	Christmas Break
Thursday, 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	INSET day
Friday, 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	INSET day
Monday, 19 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2024	February Half Term
Friday, 29 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Easter Break
Monday, 27 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday, 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2024	Spring Half Term
Wednesday, 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Break up for the summer break





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## Open Day Tours

19th October 2023

9:15-10:15 or 13:45-14:45

and

1st November 2023

9:15-10:15

Call us today to book a tour  
on: 01708 225186

### Our School Values

Love, Explore, Aspire,

Respect and Nurture

Branfil Primary School

Cedar Avenue

Upminster

Essex

[www.branfil.com](http://www.branfil.com)

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**Branfil Primary School**

### DEVELOPING THE WHOLE CHILD

- PLANNING IN THE MOMENT**  
EARLY YEARS
- SCHOOL PARLIAMENT**  
12 COMMITTEES  
VOTE
- FOREST SCHOOL**  
RECEPTION & KS1
- CORE VALUES**  
LEARN
- OUTDOOR PLAY & LEARNING**  
OPAL PROJECT
- ARTSMARK**  
AIMING FOR PLATINUM
- MENTAL HEALTH HUB**  
TRAINED STAFF
- SPECIALIST TEACHING**  
ART, MUSIC, COMPUTING, PE

**EVERYONE LEARNING TOGETHER**



Thank you to all those parents, carers or grandparents who volunteered last year. Your support was really appreciated by our children and our staff.

We would love to welcome back our previous volunteers and welcome some new ones to our school community. If you are able to volunteer at Branfil, please e-mail the office ([office@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:office@branfil.havering.sch.uk)) with the following details:

- Your full name
- Your children's/ grandchildren's names (this helps us not to place you in the year group your children are in)
- Your availability and ideal days and times you would be willing to volunteer
- Any preference on what you would like to volunteer your time to do (e.g. hearing readers, supporting in the library)

I will then be in touch to complete your volunteer induction and finalise arrangements.

Mrs Metcalfe

SENCo and Assistant Headteacher

Branfil Primary School



## Friends of Branfil news: October 2023

Your newsletter about our PTA!

Website: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofbranfil/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BranfilPrimarySchoolPTA/>

### Highlights:

Thank you to everyone who attended our Annual General Meeting where you select your committee for 2023 - 2024.

Your committee members are the following:

- Emily Raymond - Chair
- Chantelle North - Vice Chair
- Nicola Ford - Treasurer
- Paddy Carroll - Secretary - NEW this year
- Caroline Brocklehurst - Member
- Cami Thomas - Member
- Miranda Kelly - Member
- Nahid Cooper - Member (social media management)
- 2 more Members from the AGM:
  - Michelle and Lanya who will join committee

We have a several helpers who will be supporting our events with some new faces, so thank you all so much for your commitment and help with raising funds!

We still need your help for the following roles:

Class Reps role:

- 1 or 2 people from each class to share our news/event information into whatapps groups - THAT'S IT

If you would like to know more about the roles above or take one up, message us at [friends@branfil.com](mailto:friends@branfil.com)

### Upcoming Events

Tickets are on sale now for the following:

- Years 1, 3, 4 UV Discos - Thursday 12th October
- Years 2, 5, 6 UV Discos - Tuesday 17th October

Later this year:

- Christmas Bazaar - Saturday 25th November
- Children's Christmas Present sale - Thursday 8th December

### Products available:

Available to buy on our website now:

- Branfil Water Bottle
- Pre-Loved Uniform
- Adventure Island wristbands continue to be available online for collection from Pin Ups Salon, Gidea Park or school office on request.



# Flu immunisation for pupils in school years Reception - Year 11

DEAR PARENT/CARER,

The flu vaccine is being offered at your child's school again this autumn/winter.

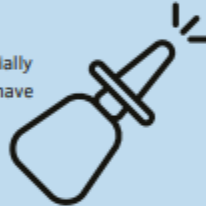
To give consent for your child to have the flu vaccine, please click here:

<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/havering>

Even if you do not wish for your child to have the vaccine, please complete the online form so that we can record your wishes.

## THE NASAL FLU VACCINE

- ✓ Protects your child from the flu.
- ✓ Protects your family and friends from the flu (especially those who are elderly, young babies, or those who have serious health conditions).
- ✓ Is painless, quick and effective.
- ✓ Is free



## THE IM FLU VACCINE



We also offer the flu vaccine as an injection, which is **gelatine-free**. This *may* also be the vaccine of choice for vegans. Please go to our website where you can find out more about the manufacturing of the flu injection, and then decide if the injection is more suited to your child.

You only need to complete one consent form for each child. If you later change your mind, please call your local team. If your child has this immunisation elsewhere after you have submitted the consent form, you **MUST** inform Vaccination UK rather than the school.

We understand that you may have questions about the vaccine. For more information, please go to our website, where you can find a list of FAQ's, as well as details of our community catch up clinics. We also have some FAQ's enclosed below.

You can also find informational videos on our YouTube channel, including subtitled versions for other languages.

Yours Faithfully,

Your Local Immunisation Team  
Vaccination UK



## HAVERING Immunisation Team Contact Details



[havering@v-uk.co.uk](mailto:havering@v-uk.co.uk)



0203 3432400

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## USEFUL INFO



We endeavour to come to your child's school twice. If they are absent or unable to be vaccinated at school, you will need to attend one of our community clinics for the vaccine. Details of these can be found on our website or you can contact the team above.



**PLEASE NOTE** the flu vaccine will **NOT** be available to otherwise healthy children after December 15th at all, and so we urge you to return the consent form as soon as possible in case we are not able to visit your child's schools for a second visit this year.



Your consent will remain in place for the entire flu season. If your child misses a first visit, you do not need to complete a second form.

## USEFUL LINKS



[www.schoolvaccination.uk/nasal-flu](http://www.schoolvaccination.uk/nasal-flu)  
[www.youtube.com/@vaccinationuk](https://www.youtube.com/@vaccinationuk)



## PRIVACY POLICY

Our 2023/24 policy can be viewed here:

[www.schoolvaccination.uk/privacy-policy](http://www.schoolvaccination.uk/privacy-policy)

For data protection queries, please contact:  
[dpo@vaccinationuk.co.uk](mailto:dpo@vaccinationuk.co.uk)



### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

\*The consent form needs to be signed by a person with parental responsibility which includes:

- Mother: automatic
- Father: if married to the mother either when baby is born or marries subsequently
- Unmarried father: if name appears on birth certificate (since 1/12/03) or legally acquired
- Others: if parental responsibility is legally acquired
- Parental Responsibility Agreement: signed, properly witnessed and sent for registration to Principle Registry or the Family Division (High Court)
- Residence Order: granted by the Court

Please note that young people under the age of 16 can give or refuse consent if considered competent to do so by nursing staff.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### ***Are there any side effects of the vaccine?***

Possible side effects are: decreased appetite, headache, a runny or blocked nose, and sometimes a raised temperature. These are common, but they pass quickly and can be treated with paracetamol or ibuprofen if you feel your child needs it.

### ***Are there any children who shouldn't have the nasal vaccine?***

You should let us know if your child has any of the following:

- A very severe allergy to eggs, egg proteins, gentamicin or gelatine – it is important for us to know if your child has been admitted to hospital with a condition called anaphylaxis, triggered by these things.
- Are currently wheezy or have been wheezy in the past 72 hours with asthma. There is an alternative flu vaccine that we can talk to you about to ensure that your child is protected as soon as possible.
- Have a condition that severely weakens their immune system.

Also, children who have been vaccinated should avoid close contact with people with very severely weakened immune systems for around two weeks following vaccination (By severely weakened, we generally mean people who are isolating, such as those who have received some types of chemotherapy or people who have had a bone marrow transplant, for example). This is because there's an extremely remote chance that the vaccine virus may be passed to them.

Contact with other healthy children or adults does not need to be limited after having the vaccine.

### ***We do not eat pork products.***

### ***Can my child have a different flu vaccine?***

Yes. There is a flu vaccine available, in the form of an injection.

The nasal flu vaccine is the best vaccine for children and young people under 18 years of age as it is more effective at stopping the spread of flu and it is painless, but it does have a highly processed form of gelatine (porcine gelatine), which is used in a range of many essential medicines. The gelatine helps to keep the vaccine viruses stable so that the vaccine provides the best protection against flu.

If your faith or beliefs mean you would prefer a vaccine that has no pork (porcine gelatine) in it, please complete the consent for the flu injection only. You do not need to complete a form for both.

If your child is vegan, please note that the flu injection is a cell based vaccine. For more information, please see our FAQs page on our website:

<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/nasal-flu>



CAMHS parent/carer consultations are available on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023**. These are usually held via telephone call or virtual meeting.

These consultation sessions are designed for parents/carers to discuss concerns they may have about their child's emotional health and wellbeing and to be signposted to key services.

This could discussing concerns such as:

**Worries/ Anger / Emotions/ Sleep/ Bullying/ Coping skills**

If you would like to book a consultation, please contact Mrs Metcalfe at:  
[sendco@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:sendco@branfil.havering.sch.uk)

Note: If your Child already has an allocated CAMHS clinician, please liaise with them about any queries that you may have. This service is for families not known to CAMHS.



*A new initiative by Havering Educational Psychology Service 2023-24*

**Are you a parent/carer of a primary aged child with additional needs?**

(needs in any of these areas - communication & interaction; cognition & learning; social, emotional & behavioural; physical & sensory)

If so we would like to invite you to;

**TAP** into this group for



## Talking **A**dditional needs and **P**sychology (**TAP**)

are parent support groups for children with additional needs in Havering

We will provide you with a space to explore new ideas and talk in a group of eight parents in similar situations, led by an Educational Psychologist. There is no charge for this group. You will have opportunity to share experiences, support each other and make friends.

Sessions will be held on a weekly basis for 5 weeks on the following dates:

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> November from 10-12am**

At: **MyPlace**, 343 Dagnam Park Drive, Romford, RM3 9EN.

Ideally you will be able to attend all 5 sessions

#### Session structure example

9.30-10 relax and get refreshments from Café

10-11 talk about an idea e.g. stress bucket and coping strategies

11-11.15 break

11.15-12 Problem solving about current issues



Places are limited so please contact [CAD5to19@havering.gov.uk](mailto:CAD5to19@havering.gov.uk) (preferred) or phone 01708 433936 ASAP (by Friday 13 October at the latest) to sign up, sending your name, contact details, school, your child's age and main needs

# HMS *Havering Music School*

- Learn with Havering Music School's dedicated team of specialist teachers
- From primary school age onwards
- Personalised tuition tailored to individual needs and aspirations

# MUSIC TUITION

musicschool@havering.gov.uk

<p><b>BRONZE</b> £33.67 per month 20 minute lesson for group of two</p>	<p><b>SILVER</b> £56 per month 15 minute individual lesson</p>	<p><b>GOLD</b> £89.50 per month 30 minute individual lesson</p>
<p>ALL LESSONS INCLUDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT AND RESOURCES</p>		

www.haveringmusicschool.org.uk



### How to apply...

Havering Music School – Instrumental tuition request  
Please complete one form per child, USING BLACK INK AND BLOCK CAPITALS.

Your child's details:

Name: ..... Date of Birth: ...../...../.....M/F

I wish to apply for a place  
at my child's school: ..... (name of school)

I wish to apply for a place at the Weekday or Saturday Music Centre (tick box here)

School Year: .....

Please decide which instrument(s) your child would like to learn,  
then enter the name(s) of the instrument(s) below

1st choice instrument .....

2nd choice instrument (optional) .....

3rd choice instrument (optional) .....

Current Level:  BEGINNER  GRADE

Now please decide which package you would like for your child -

<b>BRONZE</b> £33.67 per month <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>SILVER</b> £56 per month <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>GOLD</b> £89.50 per month <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Single ensemble £16.50 per month
Not available at Centre			<input type="checkbox"/> Unlimited ensemble £30.40 per month

Your contact details:

Mr/Mrs/Ms/Dr: .....

Name: .....

Telephone: .....

Email: .....

Address: .....

Postcode: .....

Please send the completed form to: Havering Music School, The Walk, Hornchurch, RM11 3TL

The Council holds personal information about its customers and clients and Havering's residents. All the information about you that we hold is protected under the Data Protection Act 1998. The Act refers to users of personal information as "Data Controllers" (such as the Council) who must work within the requirements of the Act when receiving and using information about you.

### Direct Debit Instruction

Please find below an instruction to request payment by Direct Debits. The total amount of your instrumental lessons will be collected monthly. Please complete the form fully and return it to us by detaching this form, folding and sealing it, and posting back to us.

#### The Direct Debit Guarantee

- This Guarantee is offered by all Banks and Building Societies that accept instructions to pay Direct Debits.
- If there are any changes to the amount, date or frequency of your Direct Debit the London Borough of Havering will notify you 10 working days in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed.
- If you request the London Borough of Havering to collect a payment, confirmation of the amount and date will be given to you at the time of the request.
- If an error is made in the payment of your Direct Debit by the London Borough of Havering or your Bank or Building Society, you are entitled to a full and immediate refund of the amount paid from your Bank or Bank Society.
- If you receive a refund you are not entitled to, you must pay it back when The London Borough of Havering asks you to.
- You can cancel your Direct Debit at any time by simply contacting your Bank or Building Society. Written confirmation may be requested. Please also notify us.

#### Instruction to your Bank or Building Society to pay direct debits

Please pay the London Borough of Havering Direct Debits from the account detailed in this instruction subject to the safeguards assured by the Direct Debit Guarantee. I understand that the instruction may remain with the London Borough of Havering and, if so, details will be passed electronically to my Bank/Building Society.



Full postal address of your Bank/Building Society

To: The Manager.....  
Address.....  
.....  
Postcode.....

Name(s) of the Account Holder(s)  
.....

Account Number  
.....

Branch Sort Code  
.....

Originator's Identification Number

9 5 4 2 7 8

Originator's Account Number  
.....

Signature(s)  
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This section is not part of the instruction to your Bank/Building Society. **LBH use only**

Customer name

Address

Date

Actioned by

FWD to Bank





### WHAT IS POP CULTURE?

Pop culture is 'everything that everyday people are interested in or talking about'. This includes movies, music, television shows, fashion, art, books etc.



Girls and young women with disabilities aged 12 -25

**WHEN:** Dates vary each month. Contact for details.



**WHERE:** The Old Chapel Sacred Heart of Mary's girl school, Upminster RM14 2QP



Contact: Nikki Fairbairn  
T:07518 671812  
E: [nikki.fairbairn@thisgirlsability.co.uk](mailto:nikki.fairbairn@thisgirlsability.co.uk)

## THIS GIRL'S ABILITY MULTI-SPORTS

A fun Multi-Sports club for girls  
and young women with disabilities  
aged 8 to 25-years-old

**FREE**

WHEN: Friday  
TIME: 6 pm – 7 pm



WHERE: Sacred Heart of Mary Girls'  
School (sports hall), St Mary's Lane,  
Upminster, RM14 2QR

Whenever possible, a female friend, adult  
family member/guardian/support worker is  
encouraged to participate in the activities



**Contact:** Nikki Fairbairn

**Phone:** 07518 671812

**Email:** [contact@thisgirlsability.co.uk](mailto:contact@thisgirlsability.co.uk)

**Website:** [www.thisgirlsability.co.uk](http://www.thisgirlsability.co.uk)



# SWIM CLUB

FOR GIRLS AND YOUNG WOMEN WITH  
DISABILITIES AGED 8 TO 25-YEARS-OLD



**WHEN:**

Thursday's

**TIME:**

6 pm – 6:30 pm /  
6:30 pm – 7 pm

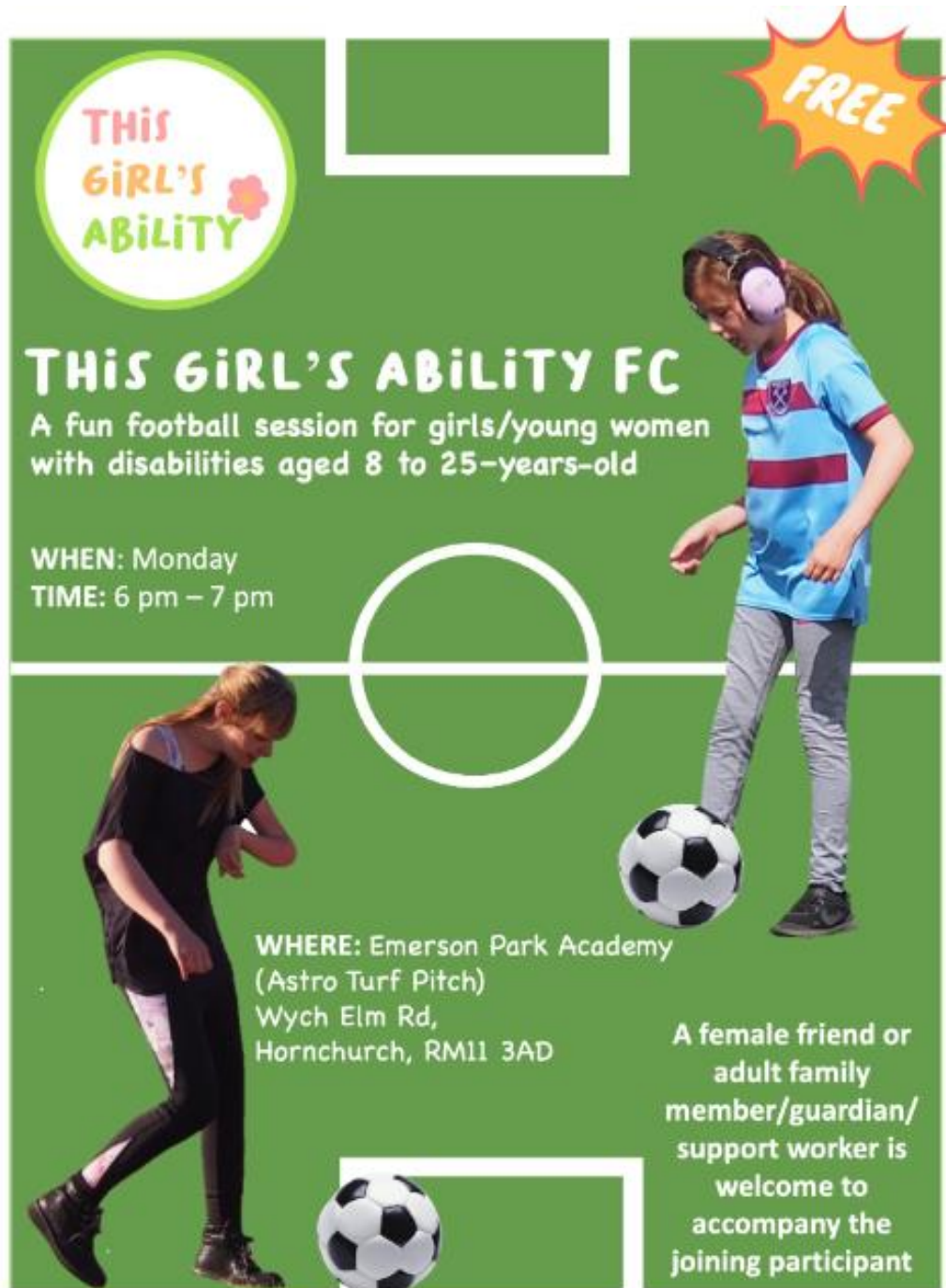
**WHERE:**

Nuffield Health  
Romford Fitness &  
Wellbeing Gym

The Brewery,  
Romford,  
RM1 1AU



Contact: Nikki Fairbairn  
Telephone: 07518 671812  
Email: [contact@thisgirlsability.co.uk](mailto:contact@thisgirlsability.co.uk)  
Website: [www.thisgirlsability.co.uk](http://www.thisgirlsability.co.uk)



**THIS GIRL'S ABILITY**

**FREE**

**THIS GIRL'S ABILITY FC**  
A fun football session for girls/young women with disabilities aged 8 to 25-years-old

**WHEN:** Monday  
**TIME:** 6 pm – 7 pm

**WHERE:** Emerson Park Academy  
(Astro Turf Pitch)  
Wych Elm Rd,  
Hornchurch, RM11 3AD

A female friend or adult family member/guardian/support worker is welcome to accompany the joining participant

# FREE BOXING SESSIONS HAVERING

# LEARN HOW TO BOX IN A FUN, SAFE & PROFESSIONAL ENVIRONMENT

**CONTACT US TODAY**

**FREE BOX UP SESSIONS  
EVERY FRIDAY**

CHILDREN AGED 7-12 | 17:30 - 18:30  
YOUTH AGED 13-19 | 18:30 - 19:30

MYPLACE, 343 DAGNAM PARK DRIVE, ROMFORD RM3 9EN



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