

Hamilton School

Striving to be a great school where people work together to transform lives

Diary

Dates:

Summer Term 1:

Mon 19 Apr to

Fri 28 May

Half Term:

Mon 31 May to

Fri 4 Jun

Summer Term 2:

Mon 7 Jun to

Tues 20 July

Other Important Dates:

Tues 13th July

Parents Evening

Wed 21 July

CPD Training Day

NEWSLETTER

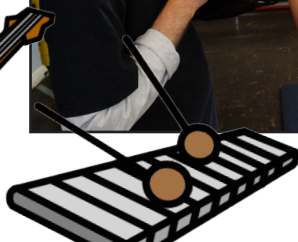
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May 2021



Big Top Music - @BigTopCIC have been in school over 2 days in May leading sensory music sessions, with amazing engagement from the pupils, raising much needed smiles across the school



I have spent most of this half-term in my role as Interim Head teacher at Langley School. My thanks to Katie and the Extended Leadership team for keeping things running so smoothly. Tonia has also been supporting at Langley for 2.5 days and Courtney has been teaching there. It is good that the school is being asked to support others. I will continue there next term.

I also had an accident – which some of you noticed! – and broke my collarbone and 9 ribs. Hopefully I will be back running and driving soon!

Things are still very challenging in terms of funding, student places and clarity around the future. The situation with Covid-19 has made things harder. Thanks for working with us together to solve problems. The staff are doing a great job and, as ever, a big thank you from me to them.

Have a great half-term.



Jon Harris
Headteacher

TIME TO SAY GOODBYE.



We've had one of our minibuses for many, many years and it's now going into retirement. It's one of the very few LDV 400 series vans still operational and an enthusiast has bought it from us so that he can do it up.





Attendance

We are so happy to see all of our students back in school. We missed them so much! We know that alongside covid-19, our children are going to get sick. Can you please ensure that you contact school by 7.30am if your child is going to be off school. It is incredibly helpful when we arrange staffing for the day. If you are having any problems getting your child in to school, please let either Lindsay or Sarah know: email: pandi@hamilton.bham.sch.uk. We will be happy to help you with this.

CPD TRAINING DAY Wednesday 21st July 2021

Every year school's are entitled to 5 training days. This is an entitlement all schools take advantage of. This academic year we have had 4 training days which leaves us with one remaining. In order to further support the transition of pupils coming into the school, as well as further support for transition within school for September, we will be taking a CPD day on Wednesday 21st July. Please contact the school if you would like to discuss this further.

End of
Academic year
2020 - 21

CPD TRAINING DAYS Monday 6th September 2021 Tuesday 7th September 2021

STUDENTS BACK TO SCHOOL Wednesday 8th September 2021

Academic Year
2021-22

CHANGE OF DETAILS?



Let us know any changes in your emergency contact details as soon as possible so that we can contact you if needed.

Dinner Money is £12.00 per week.

Please remember to pay your dinner money every Monday

Snack money is £1.00 per week

Hamilton School LIFE

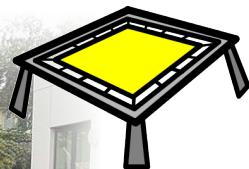








NEW TRAMPOLINE!!



* example photograph

We're having a new trampoline installed in June to replace the one that we have at the moment which is broken. We have some very bouncy students at Hamilton who love to bounce so we need a commercial grade trampoline for them. The money has come from Assura Medical, Direct Line and the Handsworth Lions Club.

We're so excited!



Arnold Clark

Huge thanks to Arnold Clark for funding us to the tune of £1,500 for the summer playscheme this year.

Their grant will enable us to provide a high quality playscheme with art and theatre workshops.

Thank you!



We have developed a large quantity of store cupboard essentials. If you require any help with groceries, toiletries or fresh fruit and vegetables, please let us know. You can either speak to Sarah or Lindsay or alternatively email: Pandi@hamilton.bham.sch.uk



SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES



If your child needs a secondary school place this September and doesn't have one please email SENAR@birmingham.gov.uk to ask them for a place.

DO YOU CONSENT?



You may have given us permission to use photographs or video of your child in our newsletters or on our website. You are able to change your mind at any time by emailing enquiry@hamilton.bham.sch.uk.

Spotlight Interview



Inclusion



Manager

Lindsay Cotton
INCLUSION MANAGER

What does your role entail?

My role is extremely varied and I support the school in many ways:

- Support medical needs/First aider and liaise with the first aiders
- Liaise with the school nurses' team
- Part of the behaviour team - help to promote climate for learning across the school and help to analyse behaviour data
- Support with gathering evidence for student's funding
- Monitoring attendance and developing support for our families with this
- Supporting with EHCPs
- DSL - support with safeguarding

What is the best bit of your job?

I love working closely with our families and helping them to access the support they need. I am proud of the care packages I help put together and I know these help to make a difference. I also enjoy helping to develop positive behaviour strategies around the school and promoting a positive culture for all our students. I have years of experience working with complex needs and enjoy helping to personalise behaviour strategies that help make a huge difference to our students.

How is your role different from the Pastoral Manager?

*Although I do work closely with the Pastoral Manager, our role does vary, and I am responsible for different areas within our daily school life. I will always strive to fully support Parents so if you have any issues, questions or concerns please call on **0121 464 1676** or email me: **lcotton@hamilton.bham.sch.uk***

Useful External Contacts:



The Waiting Room

<https://the-waitingroom.org/mth>

Birmingham and Solihull Health & Wellbeing services at your finger tips

TWR provides an alternative approach to taking control of our own health and well-being. It is a virtual bridge across "The Information Chasm" that connects support services to the recipient almost instantly.

If you're worried that a child is being harmed: Children's Advice and Support Service Birmingham

Monday to Thursday: 8:45am to 5:15pm

Friday: 8:45am to 4:15pm

Telephone: 0121 303 1888

Emergency out-of-hours

Telephone: 0121 675 4806

For your nearest foodbank:

01722 580 180

Email:

enquiries@trusselltrust.org



If your family needs help:

Family Support Duty Line

0121 675 3689



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