



Avishka Attanyake Year 10 our #iwill ambassador

An extract from the award application form:-

“Last year she was an ‘invisible’ student, if you didn’t teach her, she could go unnoticed. She was very quiet. Since completing the initial training by Free the Children, she has become an inspiring leader. She is now confident to lead campaigns and is just as happy talking to students, community groups and the local MP about the issues she cares about. She is supportive of others who want to take a lead role within the campaign. She always has a smile. She is kind, caring and full of enthusiasm. She has a real social conscience and is keen to make a difference. She is amazing!”

#iwill is represented by 50 inspirational young ambassadors; Avishka is one of these 50. She is so modest, last week she was chosen to meet Prince Charles to talk about her work and was then invited to receive her award at a special ceremony at the O2 Arena. Yet she is modest and she is very quiet about the whole experience.

The #iwill ambassadors come from a variety of backgrounds across the UK, but all have one thing in common - a passion that drives them to find time to help others. They have also promised to share their social action story with others, to encourage more young people to get involved, and the #iwill pledge that each has made is a commitment to continue making a difference to others. It’s clear that for these #iwill ambassadors, social action has become a habit that will stay with them for life.

This year Avishka will undertake a number of roles to encourage others to Step up to serve. See more in the December issue of the Hendon News.

Information Advice and Guidance at Hendon

Currently many students are looking at their options post 16, 17 and 18. In order to help them students are able to drop into the careers surgery on a Wednesday or Friday lunchtime in the school library, to meet with Mr Mustafa, the IAG coordinator. He can be contacted on MustafaC@Hendonschool.co.uk

Students can also get on-line careers advice from www.nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk Here they can search a range of jobs, watch videos and contact an advisor on-line. There is also a section on the website dedicated to 13-16 year olds to support with the options process.

Christmas Dinner - Thursday 18th December

Our annual Christmas dinner is on Thursday 18th December. Students must purchase their tickets in advance for the event. The cost of the ticket is £2.50 per student and can be purchased from Student Services. All tickets must be purchased by Friday 12th December to allow the canteen to order the food. Students on Free School Meals need to go to Student Services to collect their ticket for the event.

Please note, no other food will be served at lunchtime, students wishing to buy a sandwich will need to do this at break time on the day.

The choices for students are a traditional Turkey dinner with all the trimmings or a Goats cheese puff-pastry and a choice of desserts.



Christmas Concert

The Christmas Concert takes place on Thursday 18th December from 7pm - 9pm. Please note that tickets are strictly limited, on a first come first served basis, we are not expecting that tickets will be available on the night. Tickets can be purchased via Parentmail or from Reception.

Tickets are £5 per adult and £3 per concession including a drink and mince pie.

There will also be a Christmas Market in the canteen from 6pm, to raise money for student trips, please come and support the event.

Help the Friends of Hendon to raise more money for the students

The Friends of Hendon replaces the school's PTA. It has been set up to raise funds to support the students, for example fundraising for the minibus or supporting school trips. You can donate for free, every time you shop on line. Here's how:-

Register at www.easyfundraising.co.uk (it is free), make sure you select "Friends of Hendon" as your selected cause.

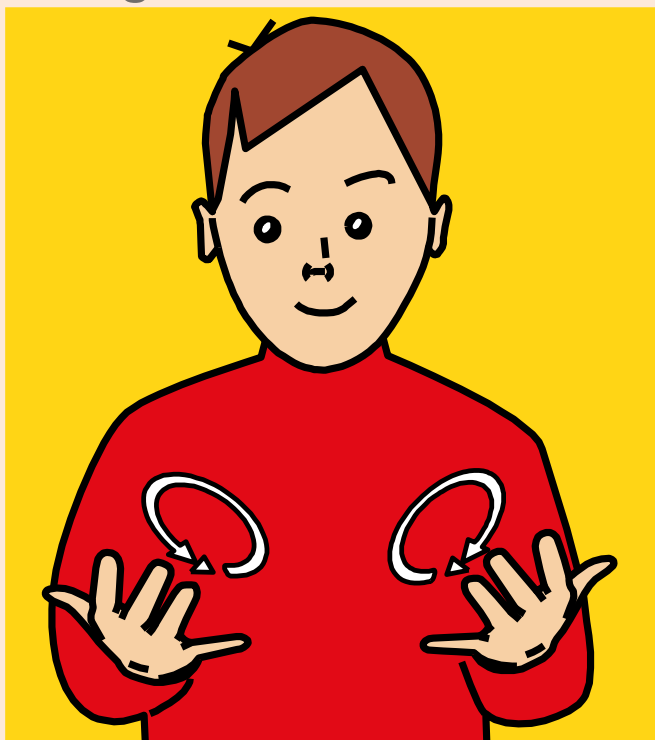
- 1) Now time to do your shopping, there are over 2,500 retailers signed up. Let's say you want to buy a book from Amazon. Instead of going to amazon.co.uk directly, you first go to easyfundraising.org.uk.
- 2) From the easyfundraising website, click through to Amazon to make your purchase. This tells Amazon you came from easyfundraising. The price of the books are exactly the same.
- 3) After you buy your books, Amazon will give you a cash reward (currently 1.5% of what you spend) that is turned into a donation for your good cause (Friends of Hendon), easyfundraising collect this and send it on to the school at no extra cost. Each month the school is sent the total donations.

You can skip steps 1 and 2 with the easyfundraising Donation Reminder. Just click the reminder when you shop to receive any eligible donations. You'll never forget a free donation again!

Please support the school with this easy free fundraising. A number of staff and parents have been using the system, it is easy to use and the students directly benefit from all money raised. If you have any questions, please contact Noelle Doona DoonaN@hendonschool.co.uk

Miss Doona - Assistant Headteacher

Sign Of the Week



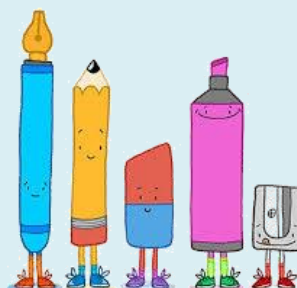
Encourage

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Bags for Africa

Stationery and small educational toys collection project

Please drop donations in the green bucket, which is on Mr Harris' desk in the library. They will be put into new backpacks and sent to children in Africa. **Please give stationery that is new and usable.** The deadline is the 23rd January 2015.



What we need:

- Notebooks
- Pencils
- Pens
- Math sets
- Erasers
- Small toys/balls
- Spoons
- Highlighters
- Sharpeners

8th December 2014



**The Hendon School
Christmas Concert**

Thursday 18th
December 2014
7.00 - 9.00 p.m.

Adults: £5.00
Concessionary £3.00

Price includes a drink & mince pie