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HPA Newsletter





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Welcome

Welcome to the November edition of our newsletter!

This month we've focused on the theme of 'Community', with exciting events and activities bringing us all closer together. From Diwali celebrations and fireworks night to charity fundraising and the launch of

© Tempest the Community Cup competition. It's been a month of connection, joy, and giving

Highlights This Month:

back.

- Community Cup launch: Our students have been showcasing their positive contributions to the local community by sharing their involvement with tutors and college leaders. This ongoing competition will continue through to the Christmas break.
- Fireworks Night success: Early November saw a stunning fireworks display accompanied by vibrant carnival-style stands. Together, we raised funds for a local charity—more details on the amount raised and beneficiary inside!
- Diwali celebrations: A festival of lights, warmth, and inclusivity brought students and staff together in a joyous celebration of this cultural event through assemblies' and sampling traditional food.
- Movember: A number of staff are sporting moustaches for this month to raise awareness of men's health concerns.

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone in the Hans Price community for your unwavering support and involvement. Your engagement makes everything we achieve here possible.

Read on to explore more stories, achievements, and updates from this memorable month!

Mr Samuel Drew - Assistant Principal

IMPORTANT DATES:

Tuesday 3rd December: Wednesday 4th December:

Thursday 5th December:

Monday 9th December: Thursday 12th December: Wednesday 13th December: Wednesday 18th December:

Friday 20th December: Monday 6th January: Tuesday 7th January:

Year 8,9 &10 Army Careers Day Prefect Bowling Trip 1pm - 3.50pm

Year 11 Parents' Evening Year 9 Into University Trip Foodbank Collection begins Christmas Show 7pm Year 7 Panto Trip **Christmas Dinner**

End of term 12.45pm finish

Inset Day Term 3 begins





















Grinchmas!

















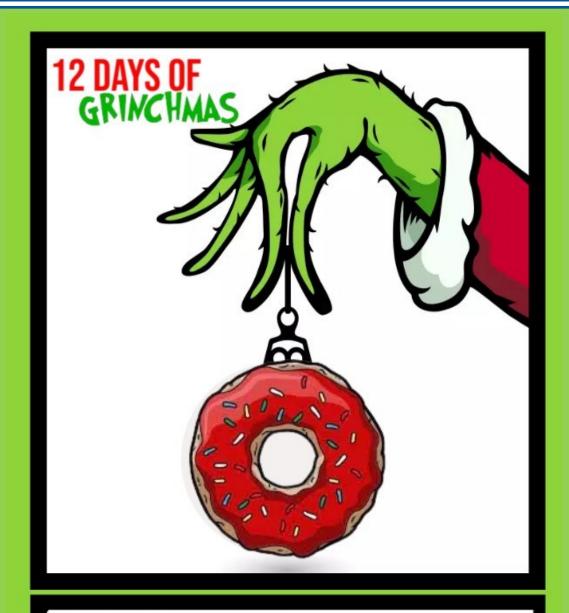






Grinchmas!





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DAILY DELIVERY FOR TOP LEARNING FAMILY

THURS 5TH DEC - FRI 20TH DEC

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Sport @ HPA



Touch Rugby Success

HPA had their first 7:30am Touch rugby fixture with a 4-3 win over Winterstoke Hundred. Well done to our try scorers: Charles, Salvatore, Patryk and Grayson.





















Joseph—Weston Operatics





During October half term Carys has been performing at The Playhouse with the Weston Operatic Society in Joseph and his amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.

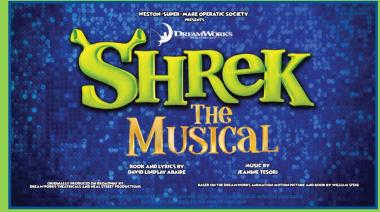
She has been rehearsing since May and during the run of the production Carys has been on stage 5 out of 7 days. The show has had fantastic reviews and everyone is so proud of her.

She's quite tired but she's learnt so much and is looking forward to her next challenge! The next production will be Shrek the Musical next April and tickets are on sale now.



SHREK THE MUSICAL

9 April 2025 - 12 April 2025





















Majorettes Championship



After months of training and dedication, 13 athletes from Vogue Twirlers represented England in the European Majorettes Championships in Eindhoven, The Netherlands. Francesca, Payton and Ruby were part of this amazing team along with coaches and parents who supported them.

There were over 15 different countries competing altogether. The girls team came 3rd in their Parade, 4th in Pom and 5th in Military. Payton and her duet partner also placed 5th in Accessory Duet. It was such an honor to represent their country

in a sport they love.

Well done girls!

























Diwali





Students were invited to take part in Diwali (The Festival of Lights) which is celebrated by over 1 billion people around the world. Students could sample traditional foods eaten during the celebrations and learn how to write their names in

Hindi. Students were also invited to sample traditional desserts and have made Diya lamps. Students who had celebrated Diwali wrote and led an incredible assembly that told all students about what Diwali



means to them. At lunchtime students could opt into a Bollywood dance lesson ran by some of our students. As a community, we had a wonderful time celebrating. Happy Diwali to all.

Ria, Year 10 - It's beautiful what happens when everyone works together as a community. Now, to me, Diwali was more than just 'a fun day'. It was us coming together to celebrate this festival together, despite the mixture of our religions; I am Christian, Niya is a Muslim, Bhama and her sister Malu are Hindus, yet we did not

let that stop us and came together to celebrate it. None of us stopped being ourselves which made it unique and even more interesting as we learned different things from each other. Hans



Price, this Diwlai I encourage you to be yourself, even if you don't fit in, because we are all different and unique from each other and we are not supposed to fit in rather stand out and be ourselves no matter what.



















Armistice Day





Staff and students joined the nation in observing a two-minute silence to honour Armistice Day (November 11).

This annual reflection commemorates the courage and sacrifices made by members of the Armed Forces throughout history and today.

To mark this solemn occasion, HPA continued its tradition of inviting students who are part of youth organisations, including the Cadets, Guides, Scouts, and Boys' Brigade, to wear their association uniforms as a sign of respect and solidarity.

This visible display of commitment by young members reflects the academy's dedication to honouring the values of service, unity, and remembrance.

It is incredibly moving to see our young people participate in this tradition and pay their respects to those who have served. At HPA, we emphasise the importance of remembrance, understanding the impact of past and present sacrifices, and inspiring future generations to appreciate peace and community.



















Fireworks 10 Year Anniversary



After previous disruptions due to covid and bad weather, we finally made it! Our 10th Anniversary fireworks display went off with a brilliant bang!

Fortunately, the weather was kinder to us this year, enabling us to put on a magical display of

fireworks, curtesy of John and the team at SkyRascal.

After last years disappointment, the students and staff doubled their efforts this year to put on an evening full of fun and games with lots of prizes. There were raffles, cake sales, a teddy tombola, fairground games, a rowing competition, penalty shoot out, a carousel and even an escape room! A few members of staff were unfortunate enough to receive a soaking, curtesy of Mando 1s 'soak the teacher', but kept a smile on their faces whilst taking one for the team.

As a result of their efforts we were able to raise the amazing amount of £1636.22 for the Academy's chosen charity, 'Somewhere To Go'.

Somewhere To Go was set up in 2000 to provide, literally, 'somewhere to go' for homeless, vulnerable disadvantaged people. They provide a warm, safe refuge, hot food, showers, clean clothing and a listening ear. We hope that the money raised will help the charity with supporting our vulnerable local people.

A massive thank you to all who came and enjoyed our fireworks with us again this year. Your invaluable support is very much appreciated and is what makes us able to give back to our local community.

See you next year!

Mrs Cox

























Community Cup











FOOD BANK 2024

2ND DECEMBER - 13TH DECEMBER 2024



IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP, PLEASE BRING IN ANY ITEMS YOU CAN INTO SCHOOL AND DROP THEM INTO RECEPTION IN THE MORNING BETWEEN THE DATES ABOVE.



Hans Price Academy



















Community Cup





SHARE THE WARMTH



2ND DECEMBER - 18TH DECEMBER

We're inviting families to donate gently used coats, jumpers, scarves, or any warm clothing that you no longer need.

All contributions will be donated to 'Somewhere To Go', a local charity in Weston-super-Mare

Hans Price Academy



















Parkour



HPA Parkour Club has been highlighted by West Sport as a hugely successful example of a community club utilising Department for Education funding.

Well done to Shannon and Leah for their excellent interview. If you would like to join Parkour Club it is free for HPA students from 5.45pm-6.45pm on Fridays and £5 (cash only) if you would like to stay until 7.45pm for a 2 hour session of coaching from our 5 parkour coaches.























SPARX





Every time a student completes their Sparx I.S, they earn Sparx Experience Points (XP). Students earn more XP if they complete XP Boost or Target homework tasks in addition to their compulsory independent study (homework). They can also earn more if they don't switch their questions to another one. (They are allowed up to 3 switches).

This year, Sparx have changed how often students level up. Students now reach a new Level for every 1,000 XP they earn.

The following students have reached the Milestone amounts of 5,10,15,20,25, etc. (The number in brackets shows their level)

Year 7

Barry V (5), Seth H (5), Ella A (5), Myia T (5), Niamh C (5), Freddie R (5), Dougie L (5), Caitlin C (5), Bella G (5), Arthur S (5), Isla W (5), Savannah K (5), Kayla B (5). Ezri L (5), Martyna K (5), Ethan F (5), Bobby C (5), Riley P (5), Ahmet A (10), Alisa V (5), Jacob W (5), Bartek J (5), Theo H (5), Theodora O (5), Elliot R (5), Jonah M (5), Remi P (5), Arianna A (5), Ellis L (5), Evelyn C (10), Somerset H (5), Olivia L (5), Ulfat S (5), Ella A (5), George H (5), Alex J (5), Freddie M (5), Esmae T (5), Alfie E-M (5), Ollie W (5), Jasmine H (5), Antoni S (15), Harper M (5), Mithra J-V (5), Paris E (5), Todd R (5), Jessica V (5), James B (5), Ioan Z (5), Emma B (5), Elif O (5), Suliaman D (5), Alexia C (5), Lawrence L-B (10), Livvy B (5), Dylan C (5), Lily L (5), Lacey L (5), Orson G (5), Darius M (30), Lily S (5), Dexter P (5), Maria B (5), Jade C (5), Leighton R (5), Max T (5), Oakley H (5), Riley G (20).

Year 8

Cameron N (10), Jenson C (5), Yoshi H (15), Sam M (10), Beth N (20), Joshua C (25), Matthew D (25), Flynn L (20), Paige B (20), Yasmin K (20), Paige F (20), Alana J (20), Mateusz G (30), Alfie D (20), Shannon H (35), Khloe M (25), Liam D (40), Monty D (20), Salam A (5), Dylan Roth (20), Sonya M (45), Emily W (35), Ryan D (20), Tyler B (20), Fabian Z (20), Harley B (65), Krystaal-Skye M (15), Payton B (60), Ethan T (15), Kyron D (15), Alex A (20), Deea M (20), Autumn M (20), Leo C (20), Travis J (20), Jamie B (20).

Year 9

Kamil H (15), Max D (25), Georgina G (50), Ruby K (45), Michelle A (25), Aase C (35), Charlotte B (40), Franek K (40), Alicia S (25), Sarah T (35), Greyson S (30), Preslav Z (45), Ashleigh K (35), Lilly-Mae B (35), Adeesa K (30), Ella M (40), Sebastian M (20), Any-Natta D (50), Alish C (45), Adnan A (30), Nevaeh C (35), Kornelia M (60), Charlie S (40), Anita M (40), Lily-Mae F (35), Finley F (35), Keri-Lou H (35), Laila W (25), Mars M (40), Kaelan M (35), Thomas S (35), Lexi H (10), Zarina N (50), Peyton-Jace D (35), Rainbow D (30), Ethan W (40), Georgina B-S (40), Darren M (10).



















Consent & Digital Images



In the ever-evolving digital world, where sharing photos and videos online has become as natural as breathing, it's essential for parents to teach their children about consent. Consent in the context of digital images means giving or receiving permission before an image is shared. It's not just a digital etiquette; it's about respect, privacy, and self-awareness.

What Does Consent Mean for Children?

Consent is like asking before you borrow a friend's pencil or sharing a secret. It's simple respect. Before posting a photo of a friend or even a family member, they should ask, "Is it okay if I share this?"

Why Teaching Consent is Crucial:

- **Privacy Protection:** Without consent, sharing photos can lead to privacy breaches.
- **Preventing Harm**: Images can be misused, leading to cyberbullying or even more severe issues like identity theft.
- Respect for Others: It's a lesson in empathy and respect, mirroring real-world interactions.

How to Teach Consent:

- **Lead by Example**: Show your children how you ask for their consent before posting their photos online. This sets a clear standard for behaviour.
- **Explain Digital Footprints**: Use simple language to explain that once an image is online, it's there forever. Encourage them to think about the long-term impact of what they share.
- **Set Family Guidelines**: Introduce rules like always asking for permission before sharing images of others or even themselves. This could be a family discussion, making it a collective decision.
- Role-Playing: Create scenarios where your child has to decide whether to share an image. Ask them how they would feel in someone else's shoes.

Teaching consent with digital images isn't just about safety; it's about empowering children to navigate the digital world with confidence and respect. It's about planting seeds for ethical behaviour that will grow with them. By understanding and valuing consent, children learn to respect boundaries, both their own and those of others, making the internet not just a tool, but a community where everyone feels safe and respected. Remember, consent is a two-way street - it's about giving as much as it is about receiving.





















Library News





Reading is a huge part of the culture at Hans Price Academy. The library is open before school, at breaktime and at lunchtime. All students automatically have a library account and can borrow books to read in school and at home. Students have a dedicated reading lesson

every week in the library but are also expected to dedicate time to reading outside lesson time.

Accelerated Reader is the system we use to encourage, track and reward reading in Years 7 and 8. When students finish a book they log into their account and take a short quiz on the book. This tracks the books they read, indicates understanding and calculates their word count.

Highest Word Count (Words Read)

Name	College	Year	Word Count		
Yuna B	Mando	7	2,814,223		
Alex J	Clarus	7	2,770,891		
Robert B	Fortis	7	2,093,443		
Melodie R	Acer	7	1,875,608		
Beth N	Mando	8	1,582,657		
Darcie P	Mando	7	1,463,568		
Jacob D-H	Fortis	7	1,460,938		
Antoni S	Clarus	7	1,258,594		
Lilly L	Mando	8	1,194,156		
Tia S	Clarus	7	1,157,497		
Ezri L	Acer	7	1,090,062		
Emilia D	Acer	8	988,842		

Top Quizzers (Books Finished)

Name	College	Year	Quizzes
Yuna B	Mando	7	111
Robert B	Fortis	7	50
Alex J	Clarus	7	42
Paige G	Mando	7	40
Tia S	Clarus	7	35
Melodie R	Acer	7	33
Kaitlyn K	Acer	8	32
Max T	Mando	7	29
Safyre M	Acer	8	29
Bayley F	Clarus	7	28
Artur J	Clarus	7	28
Ronelle B	Fortis	7	25
Darcie P	Mando	7	23

The Reading Cup is a big part of the college competition with points available for highest word count and successful quizzes on finished books.

There are also achievement badges for students who read over one million words or pass over fifty quizzes. Our Word Millionaires and Gold Level Quizzers can wear these badges on their blazers and receive bonus points for the College Cup.

New Books!



























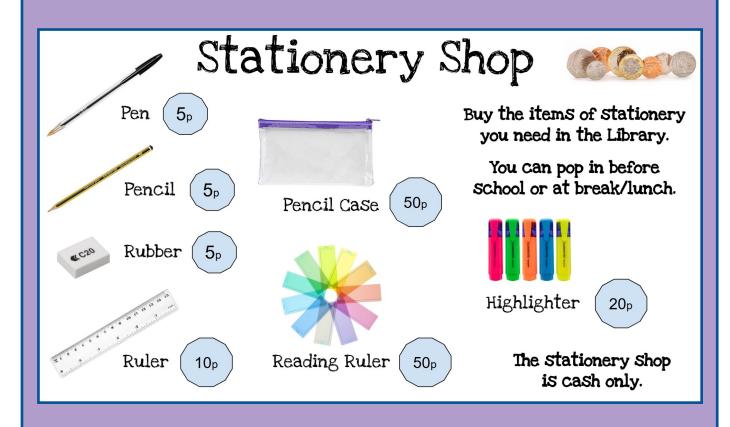


Stationery Shop



Is your child Ready to Learn?

Did you know you can buy stationery supplies in our library?



















Unifrog



UnifrogThe universal careers platform

Our Careers guidance and provision at Hans Price offers a wide range of experiences and opportunities to inform and develop aspirations for the future. We have a qualified Careers Advisor who coordinates events, shares information and is available to support students with advice and progression to further education and careers

In addition to a careers featuring in our SPACE curriculum and weaving through all subjects taught at Hans Price, students use the online platform, UniFrog, to support their planning for Post-16 and beyond.

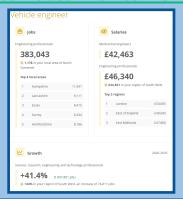
Parents and carers are also able to access their own Unifrog account. This gives access to careers and local labour market information, webinars delivered by employers and universities and comparisons of available pathways so you can support your child in making an informed decision about their next steps. The sign up code you need is: **HPAMParents** and you can sign up here: www.unifrog.org/code. You can also sign up to Unifrog's parent/carer newsletter when you first sign in to get expert advice and guidance on supporting your child with their next steps.

For more information, go to www.unifrog.org or contact our Careers Advisor, Jackie Fielding, at jackie.fielding@clf.uk.

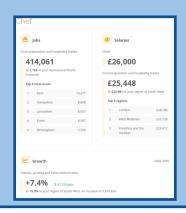




Local Labour Market Information























Careers & Post-16 Events - December/January



Provider	Frant	Data 9 Time	Mana Information
	Event	Date & Time	More Information
Winterstoke Hundred Academy Post-16 Centre	2025 Applications Open		WHA Post-16 Applications
Churchill Academy Sixth Form	2025 Applications Open	Apply by 7 th January to guarantee subject choices	Churchill Academy Sixth Form Open Evening
Backwell Sixth Form	2025 Applications Open	Apply by 6 th December to guarantee	Backwell Sixth Form Open Evening
Weston College	T Level Information Online Webinar More information in flyer below	Thursday 5 th December 6 - 6.45pm	Weston College T-level Webinar
Boomsatsuma Creative & Digital Media Film & TV Games, VR & VFX Photography Sports Media	All Campuses	Tuesday 3 rd – Thursday 5 th December 6.15pm	<u>Boomsatsuama</u>
Weston College All Campuses	Open Evening For School Leavers and Adults	Wednesday 15 th January 5 – 7pm	Weston College Open Evening
Bridgwater and Taunton College Bridgwater Campus TA6 4PZ	Open Evening	Wednesday 15 th January 6-8pm	BTC Open Evening
Bridgwater and Taunton College Taunton Campus TA1 5AX	Open Evening	Thursday 16 th January 6-8pm	BTC Open Evening
City of Bristol College All Campuses	Open Day	Saturday 18 th January 10am-3pm	City of Bristol College Open Day
Bridgwater and Taunton College Cannington Campus TA5 2LS	Open Day	Saturday 25 th January 10am – 1pm	BTC Open Day
SGS South Gloucestershire & Stroud College Filton Campus BS34 7AT	Open Day All campuses	Saturday 25th January 10am -1pm	SGS Open Events



















Careers & Post-16 Events - December/January









Language Competition



Well done to our top linguists at Hans Price! Year 11 students, Rebekah-Mai, Aimee, Alicia, Ellis and Ethan took part in the National Language Competition run by the GCHQ last week! Our students had to solve puzzles, riddles and other types of challenges in made up languages!

They applied themselves really well and competed against some really tough competition.

Meriam in Year 10 also completed more challenges by herself in half the time!

Bravo all round!











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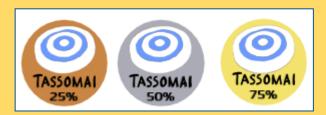




Tassomai



Year 10 and 11 students have been awarded a *Tassomai* badge if they have reached one of the milestones in Science.



Please encourage your child to complete their daily goals on a daily basis in English and Science.

Well done to the following students who have completed 7 daily goals each week since the start of November:

	Daily goals	Accuracy
Kadijatu B	25 of 25	52%
Alicia B	25 of 25	60%
Kiara C	25 of 25	71%
Jin Hau C	25 of 25	61%
Veron C	25 of 25	59%
Anthony D	25 of 25	70%
Benedict E	25 of 25	78%
Lexie F	25 of 25	45%
Emma G	25 of 25	85%
Jayden G	25 of 25	70%
Kyai H	25 of 25	51%
Ashley J	25 of 25	60%
Jordan J	25 of 25	83%
Hugo L-S	25 of 25	46%
Scarlett N	25 of 25	57%
Sammie S	25 of 25	53%
Haydn S	25 of 25	70%
Bogdan-Gabriel S	25 of 25	70%
Chloe U	25 of 25	65%
Catrin W	25 of 25	66%



















Uniform



We value our school uniform and ask parents to ensure their child leaves home looking smart and in the correct uniform. Please make sure that all items of uniform are clearly marked with your child's name and learning family.

School blazer
White Shirt
College tie

Black tailored trousers / knee length skirt / tailored shorts

Black leather shoes

Plain black socks

A pair of small stud or sleeper earrings

A watch - No smart watches



Black jumper

Minimal make up

No false eyelashes

One ring and one small pendant

No false nails

Small silver, gold or plastic nose stud

No nose rings, septum rings or tongue piercings

No hoodies

We ask parents to note that all jewellery must be removed for PE. This includes instances where a child has recently pierced their ears/nose.

Uniform can be borrowed from the Academy but <u>MUST</u> be returned at the end of each day. Parents will be chased for non-returned items, with the possibility of being charged for replacements.



















Lost Property



We have a large amount of lost property at the Academy, from coats, bottles, jumpers, shoes, boot bags and more!

Lost property will be displayed in reception every Friday until the end of term. Please feel free to come and have a look and claim any lost items.

Any items left at the end of term will be taken to the charity shop.



















Exam Invigilators



We are looking to expand our fantastic **Exam Invigilator** team by around 10 people from 25 to 35. Its a great way to made a difference to the GCSE outcomes of young people and earn an additional income at the same time. The role not only involves the GCSE period in May and June but also the Pre Public exams in October, November, January, February and March. This role can be very flexible in nature around your other commitments.

If you would like additional information please email steven.holland@clf.uk. You can **apply now** via the Cabot learning Federation website ready for interviews in the middle of December.















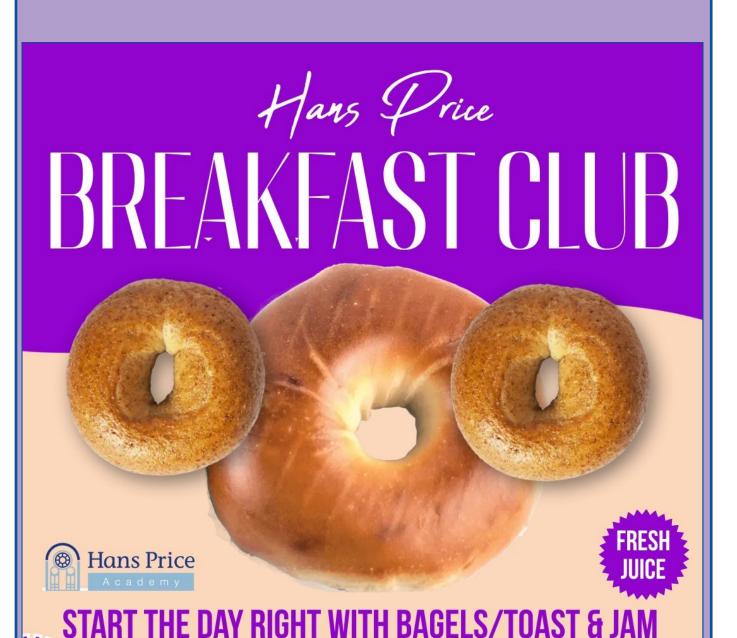






Breakfast Club







Open to everyone, daily. See Mr Drew for more information or just show up.



















Purple Chair Project



The 'Purple Chair Scheme' provides a safe space for women and girls to access information about health and wellbeing, as well as support and resources available to them in whatever circumstances they find themselves in. This may be when someone is experiencing domestic or racial abuse, or addiction issues.

Purple chairs and information packs can be found in the following libraries across North Somerset: Clevedon, Pill, Portishead, Winscombe, Worle, Weston-super-Mare (For All Healthy Living Centre, The Campus and Weston Central Library) and Yatton. An information pack can also be found in Nailsea library and on the council's mobile library.

Purple Chair Scheme logo stickers are on display in the windows of participating libraries to promote the scheme and signpost women and girls to seek help inside. Library staff have also carefully chosen a selection of books for display in the health and wellbeing section.



The Purple Chair Scheme replaces any previous safe space schemes for women and girls in North Somerset. While men and boys aren't the primary audience, the information pack does provide information for everyone, regardless of gender or identity.

Find out more about the scheme at: www.n-somerset.gov.uk/purplechair.



















Touch Rugby



This event is run by the England men's captain (Dom Tripp) and England women's captain (Zan Hudson). Mr Holland will also be in attendance for HPA students. This is your child's first step towards representing the South West at Junior Nationals in Nottingham in September 2025.

TRY SOUTH WEST OPEN SESSION

JUNIOR TOUCH RUGBY





SATURDAY 14 DECEMBER 10:30 - 12:30 **HORNETS RFC** U11 - U18

PLUS AN OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN THE FIRST NATIONAL CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

COACHED BY INTERNATIONAL **TOUCH PLAYERS**

HOW TO APPLY ATTEND AN OPEN SESSION / APPLY ONLINE / SCOUTED BY A COACH

AGE GROUPS JUNIOR - U12-U15 YOUTH - U16-U18

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH **ENGLAND TOUCH ASSOCIATION**





















