Celebrating the diversity of languages in Hampton Hill

The Young Interpreter Scheme at Hampton Hill Junior School is a scheme led by Mrs Bandealy and enables pupils to learn how to use their language skills in a variety of ways to help new arrivals to access English and feel part of the school as quickly as possible.

The idea is for us to empower children to give them the confidence to use their language skills as Young Interpreters.

Two hours of training is provided with regular 20-minute weekly sessions delivered during lunch times. Once completed Young Interpreters receive a badge and certificate.

We are proud that our pupils come forward to celebrate the diversity of languages we have at HHJS. This is an opportunity for pupil leadership and will enhance their confidence and ability to support one another as a school community.

Alisha Haq

I want to be a Young Interpreter because if anyone comes to the school they can come to me and I will help them if they speak a different language. I speak Urdu nicely and am proud that I can. I like to share this and help some children. It is fun-you get to teach other pupils and learn from others too.

Matilda Kay

If someone is struggling in class I like to help people. I can speak Afrikaans and like to share. It helps children to understand what we are learning about and what's right and wrong. It is very fun being a Young Intepreter because we speak lots of different languages between us.

