

## **Carlisle & Hampton Hill Federation**



## **Carlisle Infant School**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## YOUNG INTERPRETER SCHEME

I am very excited to launch the **YOUNG INTERPRETER** scheme again this year. This scheme has been very popular 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.

In this scheme we will look at the range of languages used in HHJS and which will lead to **International Languages day on Thursday,21**<sup>st</sup> of March 2024 facilitated by the Young interpreters. There will be activities that will enable children, from all languages, to clarify, explain and 'interpret' in role-play situations similar to playground, lunch hall or any other whole school event.

The idea is for us to empower children and give them the confidence to use their language skills. Through the medium of this pupil friendly scheme, there will be identified **YOUNG INTERPRETERS** who will receive a badge and certificate on the completion of this programme. The deadline for submissions of forms is 19<sup>th</sup> January with our first 20-minute session starting on **24**<sup>th</sup> **January 2024**.

Two hours training will be required and this will be spread over several weeks, with regular 20-minute weekly sessions delivered during lunch times on Wednesday after half term in the art block. Learners who speak a language other than English will have the opportunity to apply using a form, which should be collected from the school office.

We hope that several pupils at HHJS will come forward and celebrate the diversity of languages we have at this school. This is an opportunity for pupil leadership and will enhance learner's confidence and ability to support one another as a school community.

Yours sincerely, Mrs Nasima Bandealy EAL & Diversity Lead









