

NORWOOD GREEN JUNIOR SCHOOL



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NEWSLETTER ISSUE 4 25 SEPTEMBER 2026

AMAZON'S DONATION OF BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Amazon has given backpacks with school supplies to 13,500 children across the UK. We were very lucky to be one of those schools!

The backpacks include lots of useful items such as notebooks, pencils, rulers, calculators and water bottles. Each child in the school will be receiving a free backpack next week.

A huge thank you to Sidig's mum in 6R – Mrs Azza Saied for organising this as an ambassador for Amazon and to Mr Gbenga Oyeibanji and his whole Amazon Team!



SOUNDSTEPS

We had a taster assembly from Soundsteps Music School who run clubs locally. If you are interested in your child joining one of their clubs in Hounslow please follow the link:

<https://www.soundstepsmusic.co.uk/trial-enquiry/?b=Hounslow>



REMINDER – CLASS DOJO

A polite reminder that ClassDojo messaging platform is not used by the school.

NEWS

YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Year 6 children will be transferring to secondary school in September 2027.

Parents need to apply for a secondary school place by 31st October 2026. Please go to the website of the local authority where you live, to complete the application.

Applications must be submitted by 31st October 2026.

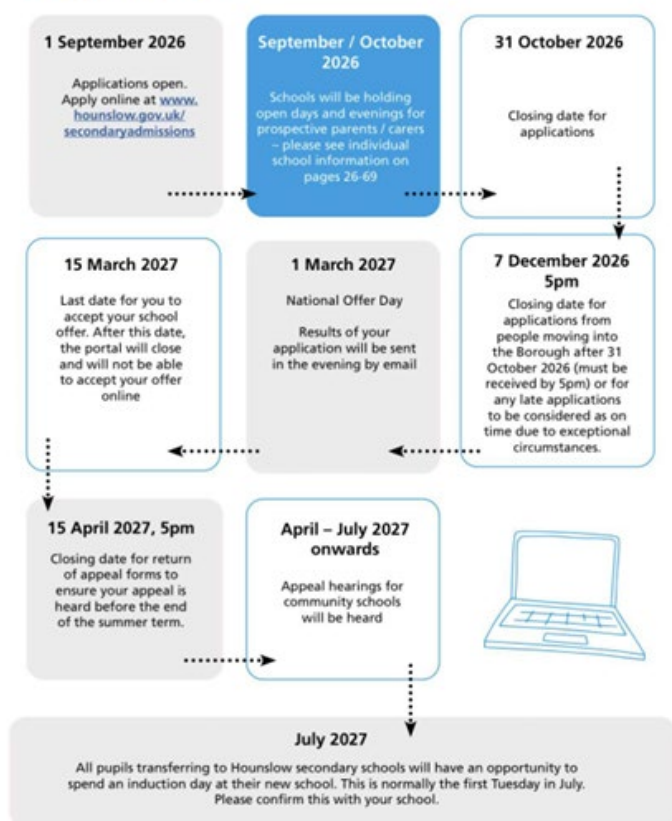
www.hounslow.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

[Apply for high school \(primary to high school transfer\)](#) | [Apply for high school \(primary to high school transfer\)](#) | [Ealing Council](#)

The deadline for secondary school place applications is 31 October



Key dates



REMINDERS

LABELLING AND LOST PROPERTY

We have a lot of lost property in school at the moment that is not labelled with pupil's names.

A friendly reminder to please ensure that all items belonging to your child are clearly labelled with their name. This includes:

- School jumpers and cardigans
- Coats and jackets
- PE kits
- Water bottles
- Lunch boxes

Clearly labelled items help us return lost property to children quickly and reduce the amount of unnamed clothing and belongings in our lost property collection.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.

PE DAY AND PE KIT

MONDAY: YEAR 4
TUESDAY: YEAR 5
WEDNESDAY: YEAR 6
THURSDAY: YEAR 3 (3R SWIMMING)

PE kit requirements for all children:

- White T-Shirt
- Black shorts, black tracksuit bottoms or leggings
- Black sweatshirt
- Black or white trainers

Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their full PE kit on PE Days.



ATTENDANCE

ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS FOR WEEK: 21ST – 25TH SEPTEMBER 2026

The Attendance Award was won this week by 4R – congratulations! Their attendance this week was 99.1%!



TERM TIME LEAVE

Please remember that children are not allowed any time off during term time. There are 13 weeks of non-school time throughout the year when holidays and visits can take place. This is a directive by the Government which all schools must follow. Please ensure that your child attends school regularly.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Children should be in class and ready for learning by 9.00am. It is important that children learn to be punctual for school every day. Any children who arrive past 9.00am are considered late and must report to the school office or a member of staff on duty on the playground. At the start of the day, we operate a soft start system to help build children's confidence and independence.

ATTENDANCE

NORWOOD GREEN JUNIOR SCHOOL OVERALL ATTENDANCE CHART 3RD – 25TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Class	Percentage
3R	94.1%
3S	97.2%
4R	96.7%
4S	97.9%
4T	98.4%
5R	94.4%
5S	94.9%
5T	98.4%
6R	95.2%
6S	95.5%
6T	95.7%
Overall School	96.2%

The Government target for attendance is 96%. Any attendance below this figure has been highlighted red. It is important that your children attend school unless they are too ill to do so.



REPORTING ABSENCES

If your child is ill or unable to attend school, you will need to report it to the school. This can be done by ringing the school office on **0208 574 1726** to speak to a member of the office staff, or alternatively, you can email us at:

office@ngjs.hounslow.sch.uk

or

parents@ngjs.hounslow.sch.uk

Please notify the school by 9am if possible. The school will only "authorise" this absence if it is appropriate to do so.

YEAR 3

YEAR 3 – WOW DAY

Year 3 had a fantastic time travelling back to Ancient Egypt for their exciting WOW Day! The children became archaeologists as they investigated mysterious tombs, discovered the fascinating process of mummification by mummifying their very own tomatoes, and even learnt how to write their names using ancient hieroglyphics! It was a fun day full of discovery, creativity and practical activities that brought Ancient Egyptian history to life!



YEAR 3



YEAR 4

YEAR 4 – SCIENCE

This week, Year 4 have been learning about the digestive system. We looked at how different liquids affect tooth enamel with an experiment involving eggs and we recreated the digestive system. The end result looked rather disgusting!



YEAR 4



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YEAR 5

YEAR 5 – GUNNERSBURY PARK AND MUSEUM TRIP

Year 5 had an exciting trip to Gunnersbury Park and Museum this week. The children got the chance to have a workshop where they were Victorian school children, with a strict Victorian teacher. The children also got to visit the museum and play in the grounds, dressing as Victorians, learning about Hounslow and toys throughout time.



YEAR 5



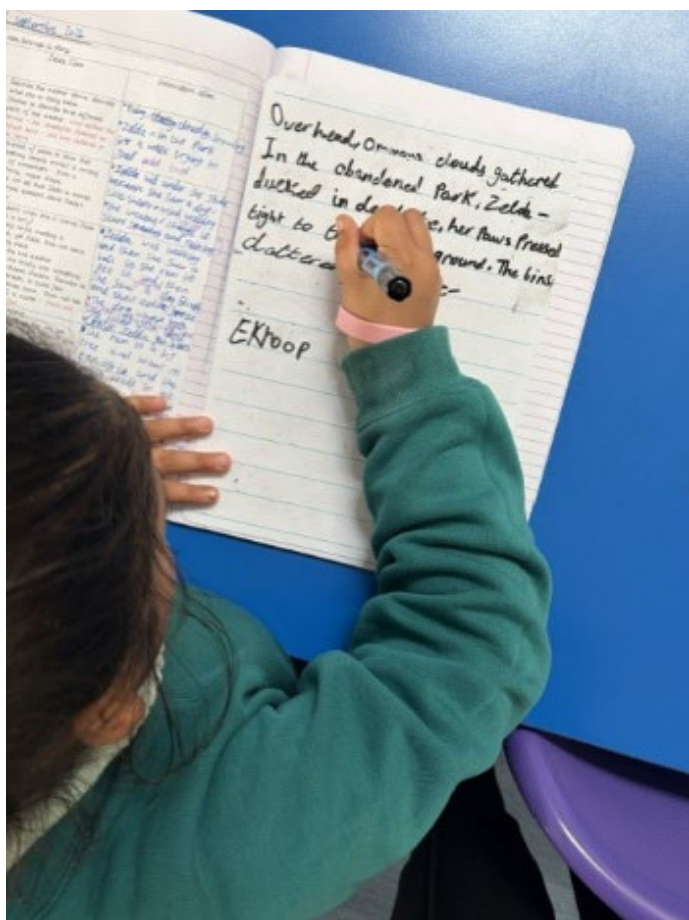
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YEAR 6 – WRITING AND SCIENCE

Building on last year's hard work, we've been diving into suspense stories! The children have been using clever "suspense recipes" to make their writing super dramatic and tense. Ask them to show you their text mapping—they've even memorised whole paragraphs using actions!

Science has thrown us a fantastic challenge; it's been great! We've been learning all about the circulatory system and how the heart works. Did you know that the heart has four chambers? We've covered the right atrium, right ventricle, and left atrium... and we wonder if you can infer the name of the final chamber? Check out the photos below of us acting as blood cells travelling through the heart, valves and lungs. We've also been learning about how keeping active and eating well keeps our amazing hearts happy and healthy.



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CENTRE FOR THE DEAF

CENTRE FOR THE DEAF – JEANS FOR GENES DAY

The children from the Centre for the Deaf have been learning about the Jeans 4 Genes charity which raises money to help children who have been born with a genetic disorder. One in ten families are affected by a genetic condition so by supporting Jeans 4 Genes we could be helping someone we know.

We all paid £1.00 each to wear our jeans to school on Friday 18th September and had a go at designing our own pairs of jeans.



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STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to our Stars of the Week this week, we are very proud of you all!

YEAR 3 STARS OF THE WEEK

Dilveen – 3R
Ava-Bay – 3S



YEAR 4 STARS OF THE WEEK

Lorraine – 4R
Tannoor – 4S
Saira – 4T



STARS OF THE WEEK

YEAR 5 STARS OF THE WEEK

Vanshita – 5R
Ashreet – 5S
Leia – 5T



YEAR 6 STARS OF THE WEEK

Sargun – 6R
Muhammad – 6S
Amitoj – 6T



Well done!

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DIARY DATES

30 SEP: YEAR 5&6 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT AT SPRINGWELL

6 OCT: YEAR 6 HEIGHTS AND WEIGHTS

8 OCT: YR 4 TRIP TO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

13 OCT: YR 6 TRIP TO IMPERIAL WAR MUSEUM

13 OCT: YEAR 3-5 CROSS COUNTRY TOURNAMENT AT OSTERLEY PARK

19 OCT: YEAR 4 PEDESTRIAN SKILLS TRAINING

21 OCT: YR 3 TRIP TO SCIENCE MUSEUM

21 OCT: YEAR 4 GIRLS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT AT SPRINGWELL

23 OCT: LAST DAY OF TERM – PUPILS FINISH AT 2.30PM

2 NOV: INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS

3 NOV: PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL

3 NOV: KAOS WORKSHOP

12 NOV: YEAR 5&6 BOYS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT AT GUNNERSBURY PARK

13 NOV: SCHOOL PHOTOS

17 NOV: INTO FILM FESTIVALTRIP FOR CENTRE FOR THE DEAF

19 NOV: PARENTS EVENING

24 NOV: PARENTS EVENING

24 NOV: FLU IMMUNISATIONS 2ND CLINIC

18 DEC: LAST DAY OF TERM – PUPILS FINISH AT 2.30PM

TERM DATES 2026-2027

AUTUMN TERM 2026
THURSDAY 3 SEPTEMBER TO FRIDAY 18 DECEMBER 2026

HALF TERM:
MONDAY 26 OCTOBER TO MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2026

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS:
MONDAY 21 DECEMBER TO FRIDAY 1 JANUARY 2027

SPRING TERM 2027
MONDAY 4 JANUARY TO THURSDAY 25 MARCH 2027

HALF TERM:
MONDAY 15 FEBRUARY TO MONDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2027

EASTER HOLIDAYS:
FRIDAY 26 MARCH TO FRIDAY 9 APRIL 2027

SUMMER TERM 2027
MONDAY 12 APRIL TO WEDNESDAY 21 JULY 2027

MAY DAY: MONDAY 3 MAY 2027

HALF TERM:
MONDAY 31 MAY TO MONDAY 7 JUNE 2027



Online Safety Newsletter

Sept 2026

Childline under 12s site

Childline have a separate area on their website for under 12s. The pages are written for primary school children. The area includes a section full of games and a Buddy Zone with tips, such as how to speak to a trusted adult and information on where to get extra support from.

You can access this area here:
<https://www.childline.org.uk/get-support/u12-landing/>

How to manage parental controls for different ages?

Internet Matters asked online experts, Karl Hopwood and Richard Waite to share their advice on how to manage parental controls for different ages. Find out more here:
<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/question/managing-parental-controls-for-different-ages/>

Would you like to read this newsletter in a different language? You can use the translation tool on our web version:
<https://www.knowsleycscs.org.uk/september-2026-primary/>

New guidance issued due to concern of AI-manipulated images

Photos of children that seem completely innocent can be manipulated using artificial intelligence (AI) to create sexualised or abusive images. There is a growing threat that children's images shared online are being manipulated by criminals into AI generated sexual abuse material. As concerns grow, the Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) and the National Crime Agency (NCA) have issued new guidance to help you understand the risks around AI image manipulation and advice on how to speak to your child about AI and image consent.



The IWF states that child sexual abuse images or videos created or altered using AI may include:

- Everyday images of a child or young person that are manipulated into child sexual abuse imagery, including images taken from social media, websites or messaging apps, that are manipulated into sexualised or abusive imagery. These are sometimes known as 'deepfakes'.
- Images or videos that look like a real child but are completely artificial.
- AI technology that digitally removes clothing from existing images to create nude or semi-nude images, sometimes known as 'nudifying'.

[source: IWF <https://www.iwf.org.uk/resources/ai-child-abuse-imagery-parent-guide/> accessed 25.08.26]

What can I do?

The guidance provides practical advice about sharing photographs of your child online. Some useful things to consider are:

- Think before you share photographs online. The IWF suggest creating a 'close friends' group to share images.
- Check and adjust your privacy settings on all social media accounts.
- Understand the steps to take if you or your child has any concerns and the organisations you can contact.

Where can I find the new guidance?

The full guidance can be accessed at the link below. It also includes a video highlighting how everyday photos can be misused using AI tools.

<https://www.iwf.org.uk/resources/ai-child-abuse-imagery-parent-guide/>

You can find the full press release/announcement here:

<https://www.nationalcrimeagency.gov.uk/news/new-guidance-for-parents-and-carers-as-ai-manipulated-images-of-children-become-a-growing-concern>

YouTube

YouTube is one of the most popular platforms, available across many different devices - phones, tablets and Smart TVs etc. YouTube is intended for users over the age of 13, however, younger children can still access YouTube with consent from a parent/guardian. There are different options available to access YouTube, depending on your child's age:



1. YouTube Kids – a separate app that includes a smaller selection of videos based on the age category you select: Preschool (ages 4 and under), Younger (ages 5–8) or Older (ages 9–12).

2. Supervised accounts – a parent-managed version of YouTube that allows you to control the content your child can access. You can select one of the following options:

- **Explore** - Generally for viewers aged 9+.
- **Explore more** - Generally for viewers aged 13+
- **Most of YouTube** - This setting includes almost everything except for videos marked as 18+.

Find out more: <https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/10315420>

What do I need to be aware of?

Whilst YouTube can be educational and fun, it is important to be aware of the potential risks, such as:

- **Inappropriate content**
- **Excessive Screen time** – particularly due to the autoplay feature.
- **Unwanted contact / cyberbullying** – particularly via comments if your child is sharing videos.
- **Algorithms** – algorithms influence what we see to keep us engaged. This can lead to a user being exposed to large amounts of content about one topic/theme, which may not be helpful if it is negative.
- **Adverts** that may not be aimed at or suitable for your child's age.

What can I do?

- Set up appropriate parental controls.
- Show your child the reporting and blocking tools available.
- Watch YouTube together or supervise use.

Further information

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/entertainment-search-engines/youtube-app/>

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A guide for parents and carers on managing children's digital lives

The Children's Commissioner has published this guide to help you support your child and make starting conversations about their online world easier. It's a useful read:

<https://assets.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/wpuploads/2025/12/cc-what-i-wish-parent-guide.pdf>

Nex Playground

Nex Playground is a new video game console, which features games to get kids active. The games have no ads, no violence and no chat features, however it does rely on purchasing either a yearly or quarterly game subscription. You can find out more here:

<https://www.nexplayground.com/en-gb>

Online Safety Quiz

The NSPCC have created this quiz to test your child's knowledge on how to stay safe online. It's a great way to start a conversation with your child about their online life. You can access the quiz here:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/quiz/>

WhatsApp Usernames

WhatsApp is introducing the use of usernames, so people no longer have to share their phone number. Wayne Denner provides an overview of the new features, what you need to consider and steps you can take here:

<https://www.waynedenner.com/whatsapp-username-what-parents-need-to-know/>

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Free Children Piano/Keyboard Taster Available Now

- Weekly 1 hour lessons available Monday to Sunday for children aged 5-13
- Children learn to read, write and play music in every lesson. we also provide keyboard at every lesson
- Termly Exams and certificate along with opportunities to sit at internationally recognised exams and perform at live events



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FREE TASTER SESSION AVAILABLE ACROSS THE FOLLOWING AREAS AND ONLINE

Greenwood Community Centre 1A School Rd, Hampton TW12 1QL
Monday 4pm and 5pm and 6pm, Thursday 4pm and 5pm and 6pm

St Johns Church St Johns Road Isleworth TW7 6NW:
Saturday 12.30pm

Hounslow United Reformed Church 114 Hanworth Road TW3 1UF:
Monday 4pm and 5pm, Wednesday 4pm, Friday 4pm and 7pm

Heston Community Centre Vicarage Farm Road TW5 0EE:
Monday 4pm and 7pm, Wednesday 4pm, 5pm and 6pm

St Michael and St Martin Parish 94 Bath Road TW3 3EH:
Thursday 1st of October at 4.15pm

St Dunstan's Church St Dunstan's Road Feltham TW13 4JY:
Tuesday 4pm, Wednesday 4pm, 5pm and 6pm, Friday 4pm and 7pm

Christchurch Hanworth Road Feltham TW13 5AB:
Thursday 4pm, 5pm and 6pm, Friday 4pm, 5pm and 6pm

West Acton Community Centre Churchill Gardens, West Acton, London W3 0JN:
Monday 4pm, 5pm and 6pm, Thursday 4pm, 5pm and 6pm

Pitshanger Lane Methodist Church Linfield Road W5 1QP:
Wednesday 4.30pm and 5.30pm, Saturday 1pm and 3pm

Northfields Community Centre 71a Northcroft Road West Ealing W13 9SS:
Friday 4.30pm, 5.30pm and 6.30pm

St John's Church, Church Ave, Southall Green UB2 4DH:
Tuesday 4pm, 5pm and 6pm, Wednesday 4pm, 5pm and 6pm

Greenford Methodist Church Ruslip Road Greenford:
Monday 4pm, 5pm and 6pm, Friday 4pm, 5pm and 6pm

St Marys Ealing Rd, Northolt UB5 6AA:
Tuesday 4pm and 6pm, Wednesday 4pm, 5pm and 6pm

Online via Zoom:

Monday 4pm, Tuesday 4pm, Wednesday 4pm, Thursday 4pm and 7pm, Friday 5pm



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Anaphylaxis Awareness Week 1-7 October 2026

The theme for anaphylaxis week 2026 is **"A Sense of Belonging"**

A sense of belonging and ensuring people with severe allergies have a seat at the table! (at school, work, on holiday or eating out)

Living with serious allergies shouldn't mean living on the sidelines

Anaphylaxis Awareness Week's main mission is to ensure everyone living with serious allergies **feels safe and included.**

For over 30 years Anaphylaxis UK has provided trusted information and support to help improve the quality of life for those living with serious allergies. Not just to tackle the practical challenges of living with allergies, but also to create a sense of belonging for those who are affected.

**#WearItBright #SenseOfBelonging
#AnaphylaxisAwarenessWeek2026**

www.anaphylaxis.org.uk

www.beatanaphylaxis.co.uk

www.nhs.uk/conditions/anaphylaxis

www.allergyuk.org

11-19 years old? Young people in Hounslow can text a School Nurse on **07507 333 176** for confidential advice and support.



Receive an answer within one working day from a qualified School Nurse
(Monday to Friday 9.00am-4.30pm)

Parents and carers in Hounslow can text a School Nurse on **07312 263 080** for confidential advice and support for their child or teenager.



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(Monday to Friday 9.00am-4.30pm)

Stoptober 2026 is once again bringing people together under the message “Let’s Quit Smoking Together”, with NHS resources and support available to help you along the way.

This year, the campaign particularly focuses on mental health, recognising that every quit attempt brings you closer to success, and the positive impact quitting can have on your family and those around you.



Research shows that if you can stop smoking for **28 days**, you are **five times more likely to quit for good**. By joining thousands of others taking the challenge, you can make October the start of a healthier, smoke-free future.

Here in Hounslow, Healthy Hounslow offers tailored support to help you succeed, including:

- Up to 12 weeks of Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) or a free nicotine vape
- One-to-one behavioural support, available in person or by phone
- Rewards through the BetterPoints app, with up to £50 available if you quit smoking.
- A free one-month Lampton Leisure pass to help you stay active
- Access to our outreach team for CO monitoring and NHS Health Checks
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Whether you are trying to quit for the first time or have made previous attempts, Stoptober is the perfect opportunity to take that step with expert local support behind you.

Resources Links:

<https://healthyhounslow.co.uk/stop-smoking-stoptober/>

<https://healthyhounslow.co.uk/stop-smoking/>

<https://www.asthmaandlung.org.uk/support-parents-carers/how-can-passive-smoking-affect-your-childs-lungs>

<https://www.nhs.uk/better-health/quit-smoking/>

<https://healthyhounslow.co.uk/better-points/> (Earn points by making lifestyle changes and spend in local shops).

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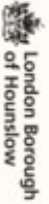


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SEND Surgery

Drop-in

Come along to Hounslow's SEND Local Offer drop-in session for advice and support. Expert support. Here for your family.

**Wednesday 14th October 2026,
10am -12pm**

**Hanworth Air Park Leisure Centre &
Library, Uxbridge Rd, Feltham TW13
SEG**

For more information about SEND support in Hounslow, visit:
www.hounslowsendlocaloffer.co.uk

**Learning Support
and Assessment
Team (EHCP)**

**NHS
Therapies**

**SENDIASS
(Information, Advice
and Support Service)**

**Family
Hubs**

**More**



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Every
voice.
Every
family.

We're
here to listen
and help.

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