

29 January 2026

Dear Parent /Carer

Year 8 Creative Arts Week activities

As part of our school-wide Arts Week celebrations, we are delighted to offer your child an enriching opportunity to engage in a day of arts-based activities and workshops. On Tuesday 3 February 2026, our Year 8 students will be off timetable for 4 lessons to participate in practical workshops in response to the local Hamble environment. The day will start with an assembly delivered by staff from Hamble River Country Park.

Students will be participating in a selection of the following workshops throughout the day:

- Lino carving – Responding to the flora and fauna found in and around Hamble River
- Map Art – Using masking methods to produce abstract artworks inspired by maps and aerial views of Hamble River
- Paddleboard design – Taking inspiration from the wildlife found in and around Hamble River, students will produce their own design for a paddleboard
- Digital drawing – Students will develop skills in Photoshop to respond to the artist Tom Lewis, using imagery of the animals found in the area
- Plaster tiles – Creating relief tiles using natural forms found in the local area

This event is integral to our commitment to promoting the Arts and will provide an inspiring, hands-on approach to learning. It is designed to complement their classroom study as well as give students a wider understanding of the creative industries and where art can take them beyond secondary school.

To enable us to cover the cost of the workshops and the materials needed to facilitate the sessions, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £3 per student. While contributions are voluntary, we rely on your generosity to make these events possible. Please note that no student will be excluded from participating based on their ability to contribute.

We kindly request that contributions are made by Tuesday 3 February 2026 via ScoPay.

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If you have any questions or wish to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact us on general@thehambleschool.co.uk.

Thank you for your continued support in providing our students with exceptional educational experiences.

Yours faithfully



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If, at any time, you should require special arrangements to be made when visiting the school and/or in order to participate fully in supporting your child at school (e.g. an accessible venue for meetings, if you are a wheelchair user, assistance with translation of documents or enlarged copies of communications etc.), please do not hesitate to let us know.