

# NEWSLETTER

7th May 2026



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SCHOOL



Our community is full of exceptional people, and our students reach important milestones every day as they grow and learn in the classroom. We take great pride in celebrating not only these everyday achievements but

also the wider successes our students accomplish through enrichment opportunities and within the wider community. This week has shone a light on just some of these inspiring moments and I am delighted that we can celebrate these achievements with you all in this newsletter.

I would like to thank everyone who joined us for the Year 10 'Going for Success' evening earlier this week. It was a fantastic turn out and I know from speaking to families and staff, just how important events such as these are to bring us all together as we champion and support our young people.

This week, the exam season officially begun and we would like to wish all our Year 11, 12 and 13 students the very best of luck. This is a time to show your hard work, commitment, and resilience. Believe in yourself, stay focused, and remember that everyone at school is proud of you.

Kate Grocock | Head of School

## Barclays Knight-Stokes Cup Match Report

Our boys' cricket team made a fantastic start to their Barclays Knight-Stokes Cup campaign with a comfortable victory over Brockington College in our first fixture of the competition.

After winning the toss and electing to bowl first, the team produced a disciplined and energetic performance in the field. In a brilliant display of teamwork, every player contributed by bowling two overs each, helping restrict Brockington College to 84-2 from their allotted overs. The boys showed great control with the ball and backed it up with sharp fielding throughout the innings.

In reply, the batting unit delivered a masterful performance to chase down the target confidently. Leading the way was Oscar, who produced an outstanding innings of 56, the highest score of the match. His composed and attacking batting set the tone for the chase and helped guide the team to victory in style.

The team are over the moon after such a positive start to the competition and are already looking forward to their next fixture in the coming weeks. We are also excited to see our girls' teams begin their own campaign next week, as they prepare to play their first matches of the season.

I encourage any other students interested in taking part in cricket to attend training every Thursday after school - come along and join the team!

Mr Stocks - Director of Sport



**Mixed Media Skull 6**

Alexa

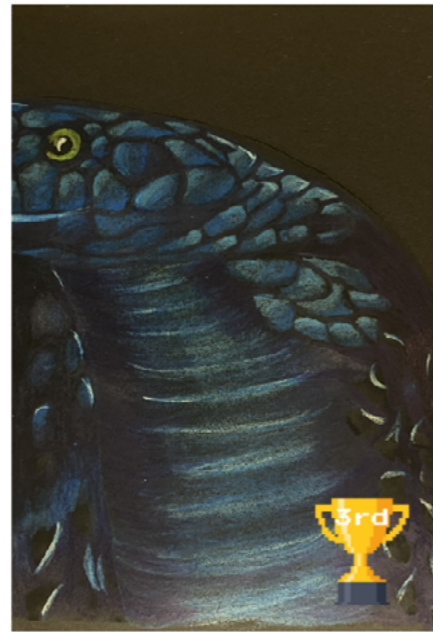
Shading pencil, collage, coffee, 29cm, 21cm



**Steampunk Hat 6**

Grace

Mixed Media Textiles, 18cm, 20cm



**Skull 3**

Harry

Coloursoft pencils on black card, 21cm, 29cm

## Art Bytes Artist Reaches Regional and National Judging

Thank you to everyone that took the time to cast their vote for our talented Year 9 Artist submissions in the National Art Bytes Competition. Public voting closed on the 19th April and we are now pleased to reveal our 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed artists from The Hinckley School.

A huge well done to Alexa for coming first place with her tonal and mixed media skull observation. As the winning entrant from The Hinckley School, Alexa's work will now be judged again with the potential of being awarded Regional

and/ or National Winner (and an arts-based prize). We will continue to keep you updated as this process continues between now and June.

The quality of this year's entries has significantly increased compared to previous years, and all our entrants should be truly proud of their efforts to produce responses that demonstrate technical skill and creative flair. [The Hinckley School | Schools | Art Bytes](#)

Miss Webster - Teacher of Art



Creatives at The Hinckley School

**April Creative Challenge: Left Over Easter Egg Chocolate Challenge**

Prize Winner: Daisy, Year 7

## Creative Competition Winner

We're delighted to announce that Daisy is this month's competition winner with her outstanding Cornflake Brownie recipe!

Daisy's entry stood out for its thoughtful balance of textures — combining a rich, fudgy brownie base with a crisp, golden cornflake topping to add the perfect crunch. She also impressed the judges with her clear and complete recipe, including a full ingredients list and an easy-to-follow step-by-step method, making it simple for others to recreate her delicious creation at home.

To top it all off, Daisy presented her brownies using recycled foil packaging, showing a commendable commitment to sustainability alongside her baking skills.

Congratulations, Daisy — a well-deserved win!

Miss Webster, Creative Curriculum Coordinator



## Deadline for Year 7/8 to Collect Work

Students in Years 7 and 8 are kindly reminded to collect any completed Art, Textiles, or DT work from the Art Department by Monday 15th June.

Due to space limitations, any work that has not been collected by this date will unfortunately need to be disposed of.

We encourage students to check and collect their pieces as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support.

- Mrs Bosworth - Head of Art



## Gold Practice Expedition

Our Gold group were out and about in the Dark Peaks this weekend exploring Bleaklow, Upper Derwent Valley, Lose Hill and Mam tor.

Our young people learnt and enhanced vital navigational techniques in preparation for their next adventure including how to navigate in the dark.

On Sunday, we visited the Edale Mountain rescue base and had a very informative chat with the rescue team and a tour around their base.

Despite the cold nights, early mornings and the weather, all the young people showed positive attitudes throughout and showed enthusiasm and commitment. Well done all, looking forward to the next one.

**Interested in joining the Duke of Edinburgh's Award?** Email: [afennell@thehinckleyschool.co.uk](mailto:afennell@thehinckleyschool.co.uk)

## Bronze Navigation

The Bronze group went for a lovely sunny walk to Burbage Common during our Tuesday training session to brush up on their map reading and compass skills ready for their expedition in couple a weeks. Well Done all.

## Award Completed!

Congratulations to Ryan in Year 11, who has completed his Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's this week.



## Leicester City in the Community is Coming to THS!

We are delighted to announce the beginning of our new partnership with Leicester City F.C. and their Kicks Programme starting Monday 11th May. As part of this exciting opportunity, weekly football sessions will be available for both boys and girls in Years 7-9. The sessions will take place every Monday after school and will provide students with the chance to develop their football skills, stay active, and enjoy participating in a positive and inclusive environment led through the Leicester City programme. If your child would like to take part, please complete the attached sign-up form using the link below: [PL Kicks | Shop](#)

We are very excited to launch this partnership and look forward to seeing many students involved. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to me at: [mstocks@thehinckleyschool.co.uk](mailto:mstocks@thehinckleyschool.co.uk)

**Mr Stocks - Director of Sport**

**LEICESTER CITY**  
 IN THE COMMUNITY  
**PL KICKS**  
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Venue	Day	Time	Years
THE HINCKLEY SCHOOL, LE10 1LE	MONDAY	15:15 - 16:15	7 - 9

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## Eve Wins Two Prestigious Awards

We are incredibly proud to celebrate the outstanding achievements of Eve, one of our Sixth Form students, who has been recognised with two highly prestigious awards for her inspirational work and commitment to making a difference.

Eve has been honoured with Leicestershire's Young Person of Courage Award 2026, recognising her determination, resilience, and positive impact, and has also been named the UK's Top Educational Influencer 2026. These achievements reflect her passion for inclusion, education, and social change.

Eve runs the social media page "Let's Make a Difference," which uses Sign Supported English (SSE) to make educational content more accessible through her 'Sign of the Day' videos. By presenting signed communication in the order of the spoken word, Eve helps to support understanding and inclusion for a wider audience, championing accessibility and awareness through her platform.

Eve's dedication, creativity, and courage are a source of inspiration to our whole school community. We are immensely proud of her achievements and look forward to seeing the continued impact of her work.



## Share Your Views on Same Day GP Appointments

The NHS is now gathering feedback from patients about the new evening and weekend GP appointments available across Leicestershire since 1 April. When you use NHS 111 they may offer you one of the new appointments if you need to be seen on the same day. A small number of weekday appointments are also available through GP practices. Your views on the appointments will help shape future improvements.

Have your say by 14 June: <https://bit.ly/sda-leics>



**Picnic in the Park**  
**An Inclusive Celebration Event**  
 Thursday 28th May 2026 1.30-3pm  
 The Pavilion, Leicestershire County Council,  
 Leicester Road, Glenfield LE3 8RA

This is a FREE event with a range of fun 'have a go' activities together with the usual stallholders that attend Local Offer Roadshows. Please feel free to bring a picnic for you and your family. We can't wait to see you...

This event requires adult supervision at all times.

Scan here to book tickets



Come and join us to celebrate the Children and Young People of Leicestershire.



To find out more about the SEND Local Offer in Leicestershire please visit:

[leicestershire.gov.uk/send](https://leicestershire.gov.uk/send)

## Student Selected to Represent GB at the Judo Cadet European Championships

We are incredibly proud to share the fantastic news that Katrina in Year 10 has been selected by the British Judo Association to represent Great Britain at the 2026 Cadet European Championships.

The championships will take place from 29th June to 2nd July 2026 in Gran Canaria, Spain, bringing together the most talented young athletes from across Europe. Katrina's selection is a huge achievement and recognition of her dedication, discipline, and exceptional talent in the sport.

This is a remarkable opportunity to compete on an international stage, and we know Katrina will represent herself, her club, and our school community with pride. We wish her the very best of luck and look forward to following her journey at this prestigious event.



# SUMMER ENRICHMENT

## MONDAY

### LUNCHTIME

- **Craft Club** - Y7-13, R Crisp, Library
- **Open Studio** - Y7-13, A Bennett, Dance
- **Y7,8,11 Astro** - I.Ratheram
- **Board Games** - Y7, Heartspace
- **Cornhole Club** - Y7, 8 and 9, boys and girls, M.Pallet, Gym
- **The Bridge Drama Society** - Y7, K Cook / N Smith, Drama Studio

### AFTER SCHOOL

- **Astronomy** - Y8/9, Dr Raj/Dr Newbold, S2, Summer Half Term 1 only
- **Robot Wars** - Y7 & 10, P.Harrison / P.Williams, D1

## THURSDAY

### LUNCHTIME

- **Dance Team** - Y7/8, A.Bennett, Dance
- **Geology & Palaeontology** - Y7-13, A.Gadsby, L1
- **Y7-11 Girls & Y10&11 Astro** - I.Ratheram
- **Girls Basketball** - Y9-11, C.Gillett
- **Scrabble Club** - Y7-13, R.Crisp, Library
- **Cornhole Club** - Y7, 8 and 9, boys and girls, M.Pallet, Gym
- **Board Games** - Y7, Heartspace

### AFTER SCHOOL

- **Eco Club** - Y7-13, L.Sturgess, D14
- **Girls Badminton** - Y7-13, C.Gillett, Sportshall
- **Music Club** - Y7-13, P.Wright, MU1
- **Science Buskers** - Y9&10, Dr Smith, S11
- **Cinema Club** - Y11-13, Once a month, Z.Owen, (Days confirmed by teacher)
- **Cricket** - Y7-11, M Stocks, 3:15-4:30pm

## TUESDAY

### LUNCHTIME

- **Jewellery Making** - Y7, Wk 1 Only, Mrs Wilson, D15
- **Girls Basketball** - Y7/8, C.Gillett
- **Y8,9,10 Astro** - I.Ratheram
- **Choir** - P.Wright, MU1
- **LGBTQIA** - Y7-13, R.Byrne, MPR
- **Board Games** - Y7, Heartspace
- **Cornhole Club** - Y7, 8 and 9, boys and girls, M.Pallet, Gym

### AFTER SCHOOL

- **Robot Wars** - Y8 & 9, P.Harrison / P.Williams, D1
- **Carnegie Book Awards Shadowing Group** - Y7-13, R Crisp, Library

## FRIDAY

### LUNCHTIME

- **Open Studio** - Y7-13 Dance Studio, A.Bennett
- **Disco Club** - Year 8 H.Bailey, Y8 | G2
- **Y8,9,10 Astro** - Mr Ratheram
- **Choir** - P.Wright, MU1
- **Xbox Club** - Year 11 R.Byrne, Y11, H9
- **Board Games** - Year 7 Bridge Heartspace
- **Cross Country** - M.Stocks Outside, (Wk 2) Starts after May half term
- **Cornhole Club** - Y7, 8 and 9, boys and girls, M.Pallet, Gym

## WEDNESDAY

### Lunchtime

- **Dance Team** - Y9-13, A.Bennett, Dance
- **Y7,9,11 Astro** - I.Ratheram
- **Chess Club** - Y7-13, R.Crisp, Library
- **Board Games** - Y7, Heartspace
- **Cornhole Club** - Y7, 8 and 9, boys and girls, M.Pallet, Gym
- **The Gateway Drama Club** - Y8, N Smith, Drama Studio

### AFTER SCHOOL

- **Warhammer Club** - Y9-13, D11 C.Hoffman & B.J.Britchford, 3-4:30pm
- **Debate Club** - Y7-13, H8, R Byrne
- **Electronics Club** - Y7-13, P.Harrison / P.Williams, D1
- **Rugby** (boys)- Y7-13, M Stocks, J Elvidge, M Swann, S Randle, M Tallis, Outside
- **Girls Football** - Y7-11, I Pawley / E Jones
- **Silent Book Club** - Last Wednesday of the month, Y7-13, R Crisp, Library



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**Don't be afraid to try new things!**

Students receive enrichment points for participating in activities. Ruby, Sapphire and Diamond Enrichment Awards are then awarded in Celebration Assemblies.