

NEWSLETTER

Building Brighter Futures

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THURSDAY 10TH JULY 2025



Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s),

As we come to the end of a fantastic term, full of wonderful experiences for our students, I want to recognise the tremendous dedication, and enthusiasm, shown by our students, alongside their impressive achievements—both in and out of the classroom. It has been a joy to witness this in so many ways, from the performances at the recent Hinckley Schools Music Event, our Summer Performing Arts Showcase and the Belgrave Theatre yesterday evening, to participation in our annual sports day and an incredible rugby season.

This week, I spoke to students in assemblies about standards and how a collective focus on this ensures The Hinckley School name is met with positive recognition, and pride within the local community, to ensure there is no ceiling on our students' future plans. I am confident that you and I share the same goal: for our young people to attend a school of which we are all proud and which

demonstrates standards equal to any other school in the area. One of the most obvious ways we demonstrate pride in our school is through having a smart appearance and complying with the school rules which keep us safe, learning and making friends. The start of the new academic year is a perfect fresh start, for students to start as they mean to go on and impress right from their first day back on Thursday 28th August 2025.

A reminder that the final day of term, Friday 11th July, will see students finish early at 12:30pm and be an opportunity for students to wear non-uniform for a £1 suggested donation in support of the charity Papyrus, which supports young people—an important reminder as they head into the long summer holidays.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt thanks for your continued support and partnership. We look forward to celebrating with our Class of 2025 on Results Days and welcoming students back to school in August.

Kind regards,

Mrs Groocock— Head of School

A HARD FOUGHT ROBOT WARS FINAL



Last Friday, our Robot Wars Team made the trip to Imaginers in Coventry to put their robots to the test!

Mr Harrison, who leads the enrichment group, said, "The students were brilliant; they really enjoyed themselves and performed well in the competition, with plenty of victories. Ultimately, we were beaten by some strong opponents, but the Year 7 and 8 students have all come away with loads of ideas for how to adapt and improve their designs next year, and some of them have even gotten started already! Hat-tip to the robot Tesco Tim, who gathered quite a fan club at the event, with students from all the other schools cheering him on." Well done to our future engineers and robotics experts! Great pride, team spirit and skill on display for all to see!











ROYAL SOCIETY SUMMER SCIENCE EXHIBITION





On Thursday, 21 Year 12 students had a day out to London to visit the Royal Society Summer Science exhibition. The Royal Society is the oldest continuously existing scientific academy in the world and has been the location for many great scientific debates over the centuries.

The exhibition provided students with an opportunity to meet world leading researchers from universities and science institutions across the UK and find out about their cutting-edge research and innovations. Highlights included getting hands-on with a new surgical sensation: a glove that has been designed to measure the smallest forces to help train surgeons more precisely, and coming face-to-face with live spiders to uncover how vibrations help animals of every shape and size communicate and sense their environment.

In addition to visiting the exhibition, we made time for some sight-seeing visiting Buckingham Palace, Downing Street, the Houses of Parliament and spending free time in Covent Garden.

We all returned weary but inspired to see where science will take us in the future.

A big thank you to the Foundation Governors for their financial support which made the trip possible.

- Dr Smith, Mr Toor and Miss Jenkins









RETURN TO SCHOOL

A reminder that school will re open on **Thursday 28th August** for all students, more information will be emailed to parents and carers shortly.



OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 17th September 5:00pm-8:00pm

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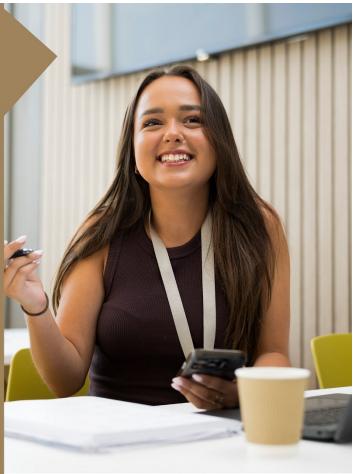
OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 12th November 5:00pm-8:00pm

The Future Startz With Uz







HINCKLEY SCHOOL RUGBY - END OF SEASON LETTER

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who attended our recent End of Season Rugby Awards. Your presence, energy, and continued support have made this season incredibly special, not just for the players, but for the entire rugby community here at The Hinckley School.

This year has marked the rebirth of rugby at our school—a genuine resurgence that has seen players across all age groups committing to training, fixtures, and personal development. Whether your child started their rugby journey this year, or continued their growth from previous seasons, they are all now part of something bigger: a team and a culture being rebuilt from the ground up. Our players are at the heart of everything we do, and their passion, perseverance, and sportsmanship have laid a strong foundation for what's to come.

As we look ahead, we do so with a clear sense of identity and purpose, underpinned by our new Sports and Rugby mantra: Sic Parvis Magna – "Greatness from small beginnings." Which reflects the spirit of our journey—one that starts with effort, courage, and belief, and grows into something powerful. Our ambition is clear: by next season, we aim to return The Hinckley School rugby to the national stage, where it belongs. With your continued support and the dedication of our players and staff, we believe this is not just possible—it's inevitable.

We are also proud to announce a strengthened partnership with Hinckley Rugby Club, which has been central to our revival. This relationship not only supports our current programme but will also launch an exciting new Elite Player Pathway from 2025/26. This collaborative initiative between the school and the club will provide talented and committed players with a tailored development programme—offering high-level coaching, strength and conditioning support, and opportunities to progress both academically and athletically.

This effort goes beyond the pitch. Our Community Donations Fund has already begun making a difference—helping with kit, travel, and opportunities for all players regardless of background. If you or your business would be interested in sponsorship opportunities to support the growth of rugby at Hinckley School, please don't hesitate to contact me directly. Every contribution, large or small, will have a meaningful impact.







2025-2026 Rugby Fixtures

September 2025

08/09 - Loughborough Grammar (Yr 10) - Away

10/09 - National Cup (Colts) - TBC

11/09 - Loughborough Grammar (Yr 9) - Away

11/09 - Coundon Court (Colts) - Away

20/09 – Uppingham – (Teams TBC) - Away

24/09 – National Cup (Colts & U15) – Away

08/11 – Bishop Grantham (U12, U14, U15, U18) – Away – 10:30 KO

22/11 - Stamford (U14, U16, U18) - Away - 11:00 KO

15/10 - Coundon Court (Yr 10, Yr 8/9) - Home

26/11 - Warwick (U16 and U18) - Away - Afternoon KO

January 2026

November 2025

24/01 - HRFC Curtain Raiser - Team TBC

February 2026

07/02 – Lutterworth High (Yr 7, 8/9, 10/11) – Home

March 2026

21/03 – HRFC Curtain Raiser – Team TBC

April 2026

TBC - Trust Cup - Yr8





October 2025

04/10 – Malvern (U13/U14, U16, U18) – Away – 12:00 KO

08/10 - National Cup (U15)

11/10 - Oundle (U14 & U18) - Away - 14:30 KO

13/10 - St Martins (U16) - Home - 3:45KO

Above is our provisional fixture list for the upcoming season. We look forward to seeing many of you on the sidelines again, supporting our players and continuing to grow this special rugby community.

Thank you once again for being part of this journey. With your ongoing involvement, we're not just building rugby teams—we're rebuilding a legacy.

Kind regards, Mr Stocks Director of Rugby The Hinckley School



THE HINCKLEY SCHOOL MUSIC CONCERT

Last week on 1st July, our school's musicians shone in a memorable Beatles-themed concert, joined by talented performers from Hinckley's schools (over 150 in total), launching an exciting annual event. On a swelteringly hot evening, the event united our secondary school's choir, rock musicians, and members of The Hinckley School's Orchestra with students from Redmoor Academy, Richmond Primary, and Battling Brook Primary Schools.

The secondary school choirs impressed with their Beatles-themed songs, performing classics like "Let It Be" and "Yellow Submarine," with the eager audience singing along. Performers of all ages delivered a joyful performance, delighting a packed audience that included the Mayor of Hinckley and Bosworth and local councillors. The energy was electric, as students showcased their spirit and talent.

This was Hinckley's first attempt at such a large-scale event, showcasing months of hard work and commitment. Special thanks go to Year 11 students Katie and Liam for leading choir and instrumental rehearsals, motivating their peers with their leadership and expertise, and to Persephonie for her wonderful double bass playing in The Hinckley School's Orchestra. The concert's success has sparked excitement for an even bigger show next summer—stay tuned for more details...

Congratulations to all performers, staff at the schools, Leicestershire Music Service, and staff of The Hinckley School's Orchestra. Countless hours of practice and organisation culminated in a night filled with music and community spirit. This concert was a shining example of what our schools can achieve together, and we are looking forward to what the students showcase next year!

Well done to everyone who took part!

<u>Choir</u>	Katie	Nils
Annie	Lewis	Sophie
Ava	Liam	
Bethany-May	Lilly-Rose	Band and Orchestra
Charlotte	Lydia	Alex
Chloe	Mia	Persephonie
Darius	Mia	Jacob
Edward	Maya	Joey
Emmy	Tayla	Mia
Evie	Willow	Oakleigh
Jasmine	Zachary	Owen
Jeshurun	Libby	
Joshua	Eddie	



THE FUTURES TRUST ARTS FESTIVAL



Over two days, over 150 students from 10 different schools worked with professionals from the theatre world including 'Highly Sprung', 'Media Mania', Vortex Creates and poet, rapper and writer John Bernard to create a show at the Belgrade Theatre in Coventry.

Twenty of our students, chosen for their talent and passion for drama, spoken word, dance and music, got to take part in the festival and on the final evening the 8th July, put on a professional performance called 'The Hummingbird' to over 600 members of the public at the Belgrave theatre.

Our students enjoyed meeting and working with students from other schools, making new friends and learning how to collaborate and develop ideas quickly with students and professionals that they hadn't met before. The show itself was met with great feedback from the audience, with a standing ovation.

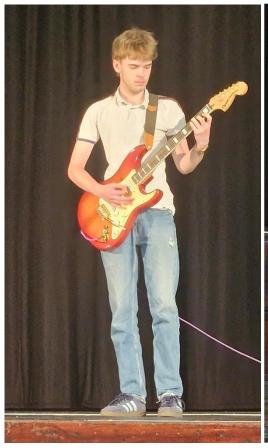
Celebrating the Success of our Performing Arts Summer Showcase

We are thrilled to celebrate the outstanding success of our students in this year's Performing Arts Summer Showcase. The event was a vibrant display of talent and creativity, featuring musicians who showcased their versatility by playing multiple instruments, singers who captivated the audience with powerful performances, and dancers who impressed us with a variety of styles — including some remarkable original choreography.

A particularly moving moment was when we had the pleasure of witnessing several musicians perform for the last time at The Hinckley School before they move on from Year 11 and Year 13. Their dedication and passion have been truly inspiring, and we wish them all the very best in their next chapters.

Thank you to all the students, staff, and families who supported this incredible celebration of the arts. We can't wait to see what next year's showcase will bring!

Performers:	Liam	Evie
	Persephonie	Penny
<u>Musicians</u>	Anna	Evie
William		Katie
Sophie	<u>Dancers</u>	Tilly
Edie	Isabella	Eva
Owen	Ella	Willow
Rosa	Bea	Olivia
Antoni	Elbiyah	Lexie
Tess	Chloe	Evie-Lou
Josh	Lexie	Amelia







IMMUNISATION LETTER



The school aged immunisation service is changing the way we ask for vaccination consents

Room 100/110 Pen Lloyd Building County Hall Leicester Road Glenfield Leicestershire LE3 8RA

Dear parents /carers

Tel: 0116 225 6000 www.leicspart.nhs.uk

The school-aged immunisation service, or SAIS team, has been working with NHS England to improve how vaccinations are recorded and managed in schools, to ensure vaccination data for children and young people is accurate and timely. This will also help to reduce vaccination errors and protect children and young people and improve the online consent experience for parents and carers.

Consequently, NHS England have developed a new digital platform called MAVIS: Manging Vaccinations In School. This is a new national system which will be rolled out nationally over the next few months. Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust's (LPT) SAIS team has been one of two organisations to successfully pilot this new system, nationally.

What changes to expect from the new platform

The SAIS team will now contact you directly to request consent for vaccinations, instead of information being sent via your school. This new approach will make it quicker and easier for you to give or refuse consent for vaccinations. If consent is not received the service will allow the children or young person to self-consent if aged over 13 years and competent.

The SAIS team will request a class list from your child's school containing your child's name, date of birth, and contact information, such as phone numbers and emails addresses for parents/ carers of young people who are eligible for the vaccinations. The SAIS team will then use these contact details to send consent requests and reminders directly to parents/carers.

There is more information about the role of the SAIS team in supporting vaccinations on GOV.UK.

Trust Headquarters: Room 100/110 Pen Lloyd Building, County Hall, Leicester Road, Glenfield, Leicestershire. LE3 8RA Chair: Crishni Waring Chief Executive: Angela Hillery

All information is securely held on our systems in line with the Data Protection Act 2018 and Trust Policies and procedures. For any further information about how we use your data please see the https://www.leicspart.nhs.uk/privacv-policy/

If you have any questions about this change in procedure, please contact the SAIS team on the number or email address below.

School Aged Immunisation Service

Families, Young People and Children's Services and Learning Disabilities and Autism

Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust

Tel: 0300 3000 007

E-mail: lpt.sais@nhs.net

Website: www.leicspart.nhs.uk/service/schoolagedimms

GOLD AWARD SUCCESS

Congratulations to **Daniel and Oscar** in Year 13, for achieving their full Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award recently,

The Award has five sections:

Volunteering: Community service, with a group or organisation. **Physical:** Regular involvement in a sports or fitness activity.

Skill: Work developing a new or existing skill.

Residential: Five consecutive days with a minimum of four nights spent away from home.

Expedition: Four days of walking and camping, carrying all equipment and food.

DofE is a fantastic opportunity; it encourages our young people to develop skills and interests and to

meet a range of new people. Most importantly, we know from experience that the young people who take part benefit from it and enjoy it.

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Oscar volunteered for 12 months at the Mind Charity shop, Daniel has been teaching younger members of his local swimming club how to swim, both giving back to the community.

For the physical section of the award, they both continued to improve their fitness and stamina by practising martial arts. Oscar took up wood turning for the skill section, joining a local woodwork group and learning to make different types. Daniel completed an online learning course developing his knowledge through U:Bee, he focused on website and mobile app design and build skills.

Oscar chose to spend his 4-night, 5-day experience away from home on an adven-

ture week at Blackwell Adventure, staying in a podded village, taking part in activities including abseiling, 3G swing, giant's ladder, zip wire and much more. Daniel completed his through the NCS programme at Kingswood, Dearne Valley; this was also an adventurous activity week taking part in rock climbing and kayaking with over 77 other participants.

The final section of the award is the expedition, The team were well trained and well equipped for their expedition. They chose a challenging route which tested their physical, mental and emotional abilities. Extremes of mixed weather—heat, then rain - added to their challenge, which they handled well. Others in his team described Oscar as a 'warrior man' - he was focussed and determined, overcoming each adversity. He was team-orientated and regularly came up with good ideas. Daniel was a good navigator, disciplined and reliable; Dan often looked out for others, putting the needs of his team before his own.

Well done and congratulations, Oscar and Daniel, on becoming Gold award Holders and completing your personal challenge. We look forward to hearing all about your trip to the Palace.

Thanks, Amy Fennell—DofE Co-ordinator









Pre-Loved PE Kit Needed

The PE Department would be very grateful for any donations of unwanted PE kit to be used as spare items for students.

We are currently seeking items such as t-shirts, jumpers, shorts, as well as used trainers and football boots. Donations can be handed in directly to the PE Office or Main Reception.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

STEM COMPETITION

Summer of STEM 2025 - Photo Competition

The long days and bright skies of summer offer the perfect opportunity to pause, observe, and explore the world through a STEM lens. Whether you're trekking through forests, visiting historical engineering marvels, experimenting in your garden, or simply noticing patterns and structures in your everyday surroundings, there are countless opportunities to witness science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in action.

To celebrate the season and the creativity of our STEM Community, we're inviting you to take part in our **Summer of STEM Photo Competition**. Your task? To capture a compelling photograph that brings STEM to life. We're looking for original, thought-provoking images that show how STEM is shaping the world around us this summer, be it through nature, architecture, machinery, movement, materials, or even a kitchen science experiment.

Whether you're an amateur with a phone camera or a seasoned photography enthusiast, this competition is open to all community members. No specialist equipment is needed, just your curiosity, your eye for detail, and your passion for STEM.

The Theme

"Summer STEM in Action"

We're looking for images that explore the fascinating world of STEM in real-world, creative ways. Your photo could highlight:

- · The structure and symmetry found in nature
- · The invisible forces at play in everyday life
- · A technological innovation on the move
- · An architectural feature with mathematical beauty
- · A hands-on science experiment in a holiday setting

However you interpret the theme, your image should tell a STEM story, be clear and creative

Prizes

First Place

Two-night stay for two at <u>Franklin House, York</u> (weekday or weekend, subject to availability one double or two single rooms) plus a STEM Community merchandise bundle

Second Place

STEM Community swag bundle

Third Place

STEM Community swag bundle

Honourable Mentions

STEM Community notepad

Click here to find out more about this exciting STEM competition!







Parent/Carer Connect



Learning disability & SEND children and families social prescribing drop-in support sessions:

> The last Thursday of every month 10am -11.30am

Broughton Astley Family Hub Station Road, Broughton Astley, LE9 6PT

A welcoming space for connection, peer support & conversation











Parent/Carer Connect



Learning disability & SEND children and families social prescribing drop-in support sessions:

> **Every Tuesday** 10am -11.30am

Hinckley Children and Family Centre Granville Rd, Hinckley LE10 0PP

A welcoming space for connection, peer support & conversation











Parent/Carer Connect



Learning disability & SEND children and families social prescribing drop-in support sessions:

> **Every two weeks on Friday starting:** Friday 4 July 2025 10am -11.30am **Earl Shilton Family Hub,** Alexander Avenue, Earl Shilton, LE9 7AH

A welcoming space for connection, peer support & conversation













Have some fun this summer with Teen Health! Spend time chilling out, get involved in our activities or take the chance to have a chat with our wonderful wellbeing officers.

ACTIVITIES

- · Arts and Crafts
- · Games & Activities
- Snacks
- · Information and advice
- Meet up with friends
- · No referral needed!
- · Open to all aged 11-19

EVENT DATE

THURS 14TH AUG 12-3PM

HINCKLEY FAMILY HUB **GRANVILLE RD** HINCKLEY **LE10 OPP**



Speak with your school's health and wellbeing officer to find out more, or visit our website using the details





For more information or to make a referral to





CLASS OF 2025 A LEVEL RESULTS DAY

Thursday 14th August 2025, 8:30am-10:00am

We look forward to celebrating with you on A Level Exam Results Day on Thursday 14th August 2025, when The Hinckley School will be open for students to collect their results between 8:30am-10:00am.

Please arrive via our Main Reception and make your way over to the Sixth Form Centre, where you will be presented with your results. Family and friends are more than welcome to join you on this special occasion.

Our expert team will also be holding an 'A Level Results Clinic' until 12pm, to offer support and advice after you have received your results.

Good luck and see you soon!



CLASS OF 2025 GCSE RESULTS DAY

Thursday 21st August 2025, 9:00am-10:30am

We look forward to celebrating with you on **GCSE Exam Results Day** on **Thursday 21st August 2025**, when The Hinckley School will be open for students to collect their results between **9:00am-10:30am**.

Please arrive via our Main Reception and make your way over to the Sixth Form Centre, where you will be presented with your results. Family and friends are more than welcome to join you on this special occasion.

Enrolment for The Hinckley Sixth Form will take place at the same time and our KS5 specialists will be on hand to offer support and advice.

Good luck and see you soon!