

NEWSLETTER

Building Brighter Futures

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THURSDAY 8TH MAY 2025

Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s),

Firstly, I hope our students, parents, carers and staff enjoyed the long bank holiday weekend. It has meant this week has been packed with opportunities and events to make the most of our four days together. Students have worked with professional artists, enjoyed spoken word lessons, taken part in Oxbridge workshops, visited Cromwell Tools Head Office for Unbox Your Future and much more—we look forward to sharing insights into these exceptional opportunities in our newsletter today and next week. These trips and events sit on top of a foundation of strong teaching and learning, and students have jumped straight back into lessons eager to learn and engage with their peers and topics after the long weekend.

Our exam year groups continue to work hard in the run up to exams, with Year 11 beginning their bespoke revision timetable. It's wonderful to see students making the most of our masterclasses and knowledge retrieval work to help them fulfil their potential. Well done to students who had their Spanish speaking exams this week and best of luck to all students who sit exams next week, as official public exams continue. We know they will do us all proud.

- Mrs Rooke — Headteacher

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On Wednesday and Thursday, we welcomed Marissa and Alyssia from Creative learning Services to deliver Spoken Word lessons to our Year 7 students.

Organised by Ms Crisp, our Librarian, these engaging and interactive sessions saw students learn about different types of poetry and the art of spoken word performance. Students began by creating their own acrostic poem based on their name, before moving on to writing their own spoken word piece based around the starter 'I wish I could...' Outcomes from the first task were extremely impressive, with lots of volunteers to share work with the class and even to perform their piece at the front of the room.

The group then watched a powerful performance of the poem 'The Undefeated' by Kwame Alexander, before looking at how to write their own poems to channel emotions such as anger or sadness. Staff were impressed by the PRIDE displayed in these six sessions and would like to thank students for their engagement. We hope students enjoy sharing their work at home with their families.

Please enjoy reading a wonderful example below written by Thomas today:

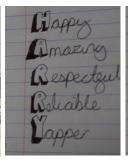
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I wish my momentum didn't fall,
I wish people didn't lie to me,
I wish my friends could be family.

- Thomas, Year 7



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Eve Crowned as Most Inspirational Influencer



We are delighted to share that Eve in Year 12 has won two awards for her inspirational work as the master mind behind 'Let's Make a Difference', a Facebook page which shares daily British Sign Language videos to support communication and inclusivity. In her own words on the page, Eve describes her work as 'trying to make a difference in the world' and this heart felt mission has led to a community of 303k followers.

The UK Top Influencer Awards look to bring together the UK's most inspiring creators, game-changers, and digital trendsetters, celebrating the influencers who make a difference—those who spark conversations, inspire ideas, and shape what's next in every corner of the digital world. At this year's event, Eve won the "Most Inspirational Influencer" award, before going on to win the final overall "UK Top Influencer" award by receiving the most votes.

We are incredibly proud to have Eve as part of our community and to have the opportunity to publicise and celebrate her work to help others learn British Sign Language. Her tireless work doesn't just stay online, she also runs a popular BSL enrichment group here at The Hinckley School. Congratulations Eve!













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<u>Click here</u> to join the 'Let's Make a Difference' community and support Eve's work.

Share Your Experience of Careers Education

Dear Parent or Carer,

Our local Careers Hub are working with schools and colleges in Leicester and Leicestershire to understand your experience of your young person's careers education programme. We would be really grateful if you could fill out the survey by following the link below. This survey asks some questions about you, your careers knowledge, and own experiences.

The Hinckley School and Sixth Form - Parent Survey - 2025



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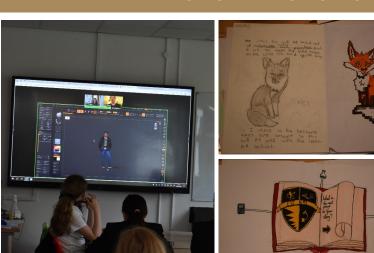
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The results of this survey will help us to ensure you have access to the required information at the best time to support your young person to make their next, best step.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Mrs Stone and Mrs Thompson—Careers Team

Live Demonstrations for the Pangea Project



Today, our Year 7 Pangea Art Group took part in another in school session with professional sculpture artist, Nicola Ellis.

The lesson built on their design work from last week, where they spent time worked on and developing their concept designs including detailing the technical aspects of their idea including materials, location on the school site and scale. Today the group worked on clay models during P2 to begin to visualise a final outcome. During their second hour, the class took part in a zoom call with Mike, a freelance 3D Designer from the Pangea Sculpture Centre. Students came

up with a long list of questions for him regarding his job, where he gets inspiration and 3D design and got to see a live Zbrush demonstration using one of the student's concepts.

Next week, the group will travel to Penta Patterns' for a site visit as they take their project to the next stage. The visit will also include the chance to witness a 3D scan of the human form!





IMMUNISATIONS

Human papillomavirus (HPV) and measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccinations for young people (starting from school year 8) will be administered in school on Friday, 16 May 2025 by the NHS Team.

<u>Health for Teens</u> can answer any questions you have on the HPV vaccine and also any questions about any immunisations in secondary school <u>Immunisations in Secondary</u> School: just the facts

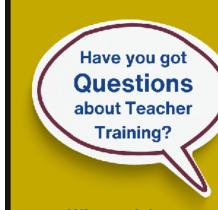
Visit: www.leicsandrutlandimms.co.uk to fill in the online consent decision forms. Our school code is LE141682. If you need help or have questions you can contact the service using the contact details below.

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GET INTO TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES





- · How do I apply?
- Where are the training schools?
- What training routes are available to me?
 - Who will be delivering the training?
 - Can I train part time?

Join Aidan for an online Q & A on Tuesday evening, 3rd June 2025.

 Book via the link for a slot between 5-6.30pm: https://bit.ly/QandA25





Get Into Teaching event: West Midlands

Saturday 10 May 2025 at 10:00 - 14:30

Birmingham Conference and Events Centre, Birmingham, B5 4EW







Want to know more about a career in teaching?

The Grand Hotel Leicester Tuesday 13 May 2025 5pm - 8pm



Hole in the Wall (Learn in Style) has moved! Have you visited their new shop yet?

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