

PUTTING OUR STUDENTS FIRST



Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s),

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It's been a very busy week since returning from our half term break! As year 13 start their mock exams, we are also in the process of giving feedback to our year 11s after their recent hard work in the mocks. They have made excellent progress and I couldn't be prouder of them (until perhaps GCSE results day!)

This week, year 7 had their PSHE drop down day, where we discussed with them how to keep safe online and in friendships, what British Values mean and we also unpicked some serious issues such as sexual harassment. They were very mature in these conversations and it was a pleasure to spend the day with them and listen to their views and debates on important issues. Year 7 have also celebrated world book day this week in style and looked fantastic in their costumes as did many of the Bridge team. Reading is such an important part of a child's life, not just in terms of their educational development but also mental health, relaxation and taking time away from screens.

We have also continued to fundraise for Place2Be this week, a charity that does incredibly good work for young people's mental health. Students have been completing sponsored walks in PE, wearing something bright and eating pancakes to support the cause. Personal development sessions have been focused on mental health, unpicking what this means, how we can support each other and where we can go for help. As one year 9 boy told me, "It's made me realise that when someone says they are ok, and we all should just keep looking out for each other's mental health and support where we can".

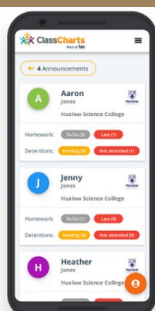
On Saturday our year 7 and 8s are in the final of The Hinckley Cup at the Hinckley Rugby Club. We are really proud of them for getting this far and wish them all the best.

Have a lovely weekend

Best wishes,

Lisa Hickman—Headteacher

INTRODUCING THE CLASS CHARTS PARENT APP



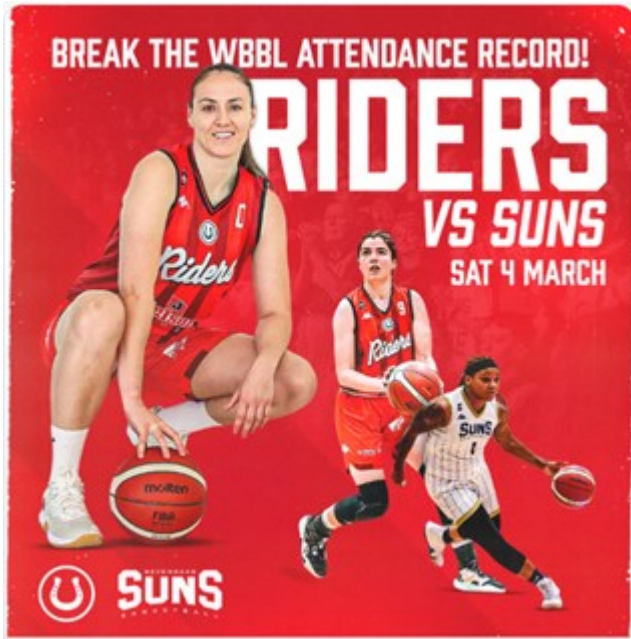
Parents/Carers will all have received an individualised email to help you to log into your own Child's account via the parent App. This is a real time app to be able to monitor and track all activity throughout the school day.

We are encouraging ALL parents to sign up to help improve our parental communication.

Class Charts for Parents Guide is found on the link below:

[Slide 1 \(classcharts.com\)](https://www.classcharts.com)

LEICESTER RIDERS—FREE TICKET OFFER



The Leicester Riders Women's Team would like to break a world record on Saturday for the highest attendance at a female basketball game in The UK.

We have now set up a discount codes for the game this Saturday. **LR100 for a 100% discount and tickets free of charge.**

<https://booking.leicesterarena.co.uk/packages/LZEmOKzmpW/events>

PARENTAL SUPPORT IN NAVIGATING CURRENT AFFAIRS AFFECTING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



[Parents Mental Health Support](#) | [Advice for Your Child](#) | [YoungMinds](#)

How we can help

We know parenting isn't always easy. Although it's often amazing and rewarding to watch your children grow up, and to help them learn to be independent, it can also be really hard work. It can feel especially hard if your child's mood and behaviour seem different and you're not sure why, or what you can do to help. But you are not alone.

We have lots of practical advice and tips on supporting your child - from how to encourage your child to open up about their feelings to dealing with mental health services. No matter what you and your child are going through, things can get better.

We also have our Parents Helpline who can provide advice and support if you're worried about a child or young person.

[Parents Helpline and Webchat](#) >



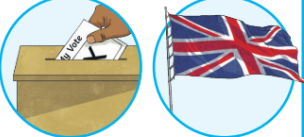
PRIDE: PERSONAL AND CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT BRIDGE PSHE DAY

PRIDE Character Education

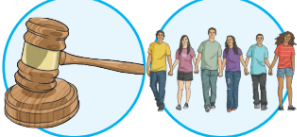


What Are the British Values?

In the boxes below, write down what you believe are the meanings of each of the British Values. How could these values be shown in daily life?



Democracy



Tolerance of Those with Different Faiths and Beliefs

Individual Liberty

British Values

Mutual Respect

Rule of Law

Disclaimer: The nature of this resource requires independent, child-led research. It is advisable to use only pre-selected, child-appropriate sources of information and websites that are appropriate to their age. Please also be aware that there may be aspects of a topic or individual's life which may be controversial or upsetting to some. Due to this, we highly recommend that you carefully consider all research activities before undertaking them with children.



Year 7 experienced an intensive PSHE day this week exploring topics with senior leaders around Bullying, British Values, Sexual Harassment, Cyber Safety and citizenship.

Students were also visited by a travelling Theatre Company to explore using physical theatre issues around positive choices and responses to bullying.

As part of our Bridge Community project, Year 7 were also invited to write to the new Year 7 Bridge cohort who received their places this week for September 2023.

We were incredibly proud of all our students who participated, discussed and explored these sensitive issues with maturity and mutual respect—Well done!

MENTAL HEALTH CHARITY SUPPORT CONTINUES

Our 'Wear something Bright' day to support children's mental health national campaign also continued this week with extra fundraising whereby student exchanged their donations for a raffle ticket entitling them to a pancake and sprinkles at breaktime.



YEAR 8 CHARITY TOTAL UPDATE

Congratulations and Thankyou

£400 Total

for the Place2Be charity supporting children's mental health.

Further events are also continuing to run in school to raise money for our charity of choice this term.



CELEBRATING STUDENT SUCCESS



Reading is an essential life skill and reading for just 20 minutes per day exposes you to 1.8 million words a year! This has a huge impact on vocabulary development and students' ability to access subjects across the curriculum. Furthermore, research has shown that reading for pleasure can support positive mental health and develop empathy and understanding of others.



This year, to celebrate World Book Day, we have a £1 book token to share with pupils. This can be used to purchase one of the £1 books released for World Book Day or it can be redeemed towards the cost of a full price book. This year's tokens are digital so please scan the QR code below to access the voucher.

The Hinckley School Bridge staff and students we invited to become their favourite characters for the day resulting in an excellent fashion show and book competition.



The Great British Food Critic Competition

An exciting new online competition in partnership with celebrity chef Simon Rogan and food critic Richard Vines. Win the following:

- A short personal reference from chef Simon Rogan for your CV
- A Home by Simon Rogan meal kit (worth over £150)
- An apron signed by Simon Rogan

Runners up will win a signed Simon Rogan cookbook.

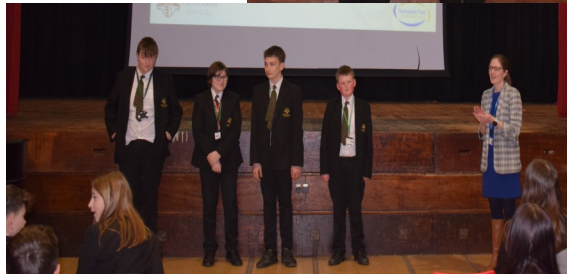
Write a 300 word review of a meal you have eaten and submit this along with a photo using the online form. If you are on social media you can also post online with a photo or as a reel using the hashtag #FoodCriticComp and tag @speakersforschools and @rogan_simon - simple.



YEAR 8 READING AWARDS

Our four top readers this week have read a total of 86,559 words. Congratulations, Connor, Noah, Aston and Keiran!

We also celebrated Connor becoming a millionaire reader and Lyla becoming a multi-millionaire reader.



YEAR 9 MARCH MADNESS.....



Coming Soon....

Interform Competitions

Mixed 5 vs 5 Football
Chess Challenge
Mastermind



March – Attendance Challenge



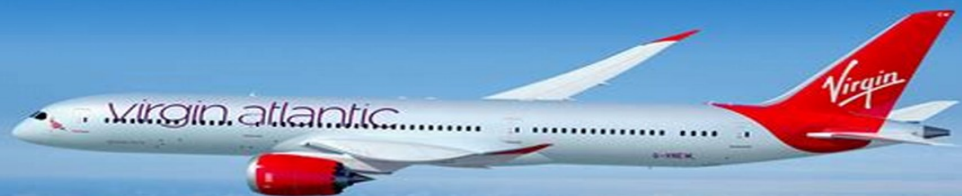
100% Attendance for the whole of March

2 x £10 vouchers

AMAZING ENGINEERING OPPORTUNITY FOR ANY STUDENT LIMITED NUMBERS SO BOOK SOON:



You are invited to Speakers for schools- A day in the life of an Engineer in Aviation



We would like to invite those who have chosen Engineering in their options but also welcome interest from other students.

Tuesday 14th March in A9 at 11 am.
We have limited spaces so please speak to Miss Duffy in D6 to find out more info and put your name down.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

22ND MARCH—Y10 PARENT EVENING—VIRTUAL APPOINTMENTS

31ST MARCH - BRIDGE CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY