

# School Update

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## First full week done

Now that we have completed our first full week back it seems like term really has begun. Clubs (at lunch and after school) have started and the children are getting fully embracing the range of opportunities available. Our music provision has exploded into life already this term with music lessons and instrument tuition taking place every day! Our PE provision has been boosted by doubling the number of sessions being taught each week. Mr Hanford has made a great impression on the children with his values-led PE teaching. In spite of the hot weather, the children are really enjoying having two sessions of PE a week now.

Parents of Year 6 children should by now be thinking about which secondary school is best for their child. In order to make an informed decision, I would encourage families to take advantage of upcoming open days at our local schools. Dates of visits (with links) are provided at the back of this newsletter.

Have a great weekend,  
Steve Dunn, Headteacher

## Autumn Term 2023

### September 2023

Fri 15th	Mrs Baines' Class Assembly—9am
Tues 19th	School Photographer—individual photos
Fri 22nd	Miss Hoult's Class Assembly—9am
Tues 26th	Key Stage 2 Welcome Evening, 6pm
Wed 27th	Reception Welcome Evening, 6pm
Thur 28th	Key Stage 1 Welcome Evening, 6pm
Fri 29th	Harvest Festival at Church

### October 2023

Fri 6th	Mrs Kneafsey/Mrs Parry Assembly—9am
Mon 9th- Fri 13th	PGL—Year 6
Fri 13th	Mrs Granero/Mrs Bharmal Assembly—9am
Mon 16th -Fri 20th	Half-term
Tues 24th -Thur 26th	Parent Evenings
Mon 23rd	INSET Day—children not in school

### December 2023

Tues 5th	Seasonal flu vaccination, R to Year 6
Fri 22nd	Last day of term

## School reintegration following injury

If your child has an accident and has any type of broken bone or sprain we need at least 24 hours to be sure we can properly support and care for your child before they return to school.

In the first instance please send an email to your class teacher and include the school reception [reception@hall-orchard.leics.sch.uk](mailto:reception@hall-orchard.leics.sch.uk) and School Business Manager [mharvey@hall-orchard.leics.sch.uk](mailto:mharvey@hall-orchard.leics.sch.uk). Please include as much detail as you have from the medical team supporting your child.

The school will then contact you back to ask for more detail. We will do everything we can to ensure a safe and prompt return to school that will support the healing process for your child.

Matthew Harvey, School Business Manager

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter to get up-to-date news of the happenings at school. You'll find photos of activities, achievements as well as celebrations.



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## HOPS High 5

This week our whole-school reward system called **HOPS High 5**—based on our 5 core values was again celebrated. We've linked our school rules to these values so the children are rewarded for living them through their positive behaviours. They earn value points each time they demonstrate one of these values, with the overall aim of achieving enough points to receive a values badge. Interim certificates will be issued at regular milestones and weekly **Values Awards** are given out to children showing their commitment to the **value of the week**.

## HOPS High 5 – school rules

Our school rules underpin our core values and are as follows:

- Allow everyone to learn. (Value of **Community**)
- Be kind. (Value of **Friendship**)
- Respect people and property. (Value of **Respect**)
- Learn from my mistakes. (Value of **Resilience**)
- Be my best self. (Value of **Aspiration**)



We were delighted to award our **Values Awards** in assembly this week, with children from across the school receiving them for demonstrating our Core Values. Our theme in CoWo this week was **Community** - recognising the importance of working together towards a common goal. So many children have shown this value during the week and have been rewarded with Value Dojos but our Award winners stood out for their positive actions. A great start! Mr D.

# SCHOOL DAY AND UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS

## Start and finish times

Our 'new' start and finish times have got off to a good start with the majority of children being in school on time. A reminder that the day now looks like this:

- Children will be welcomed into classrooms from 8:40am
- Registration will take place at **8:45am**
- Breaktime will take place mid-morning and last 15 minutes
- Key Stage 1 lunchtime will be 11:45am - 12:45pm
- Key Stage 2 lunchtime will be 12:15pm - 1:15pm
- School will finish at **3:15pm**

Children should be on the school grounds ready for the doors to open (8:40am) so a prompt start can be made—teachers will be there to welcome them in. Children arriving after registration miss valuable learning and support opportunities as well as disrupting the learning of others when they do arrive, so please ensure your child arrives on time.

## School Uniform

It's great to see the children looking so smart in their uniforms. They are encouraged to take the same pride in the way they look as they do in their work. Our uniform list is simple, and all the items are readily available:

- Grey skirt or pinafore dress
- Grey trousers or shorts
- White polo shirt
- Blue sweatshirts, cardigans or fleeces with the school logo on
- Pale blue and white checked dress (summer) or playsuit
- Black school shoes with white, grey or black socks / black or grey tights

Blue sweatshirts, cardigans, fleeces and polo shirts with the school logo on can be purchased from *Example School Uniforms* on Sileby Road

[www.exampleschooluniforms.com](http://www.exampleschooluniforms.com), or from *Rosebuddies* on Loughborough Market and online at [www.rosebuddiesonline.co.uk/](http://www.rosebuddiesonline.co.uk/). All items of clothing must be named.



**Additionally, we have a wide selection of good quality, used uniform available in reception which is free.**

## PE Kit

Some form of physical activity takes place most days. This may be PE or Games, inside or outside. Your child must have a change of clothing for these activities kept in a bag. PE kit should be left in school all week so that it is readily available and taken home for cleaning at the weekend.

We expect children to have the following:

- Black shorts
- Plain white T-shirt—not football/rugby/sports kit
- Plimsolls for indoor gym/dance
- Trainers for outdoor PE
- Tracksuit/warm top for cold weather (black, blue or grey)
- A suitable bag to store the PE kit

Kit should be clearly labelled. It will not stop them losing it but at least they may get it back! PE and Games are not the same thing. Trainers which are worn outside are not safe on indoor apparatus. Plimsolls or bare feet are suitable for indoor work.



## Jewellery in school

We do not allow the wearing of jewellery and ear-rings must be removed for PE. Large, colourful hair accessories/head bands and nail varnish are not to be worn at school.



# TRANSITION TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

Application deadline: Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023

Click the images below for more information



**YEAR 7  
OPEN  
EVENING**

Thursday 14th September 2023



**HUMPHREY PERKINS  
SCHOOL**  
Humphrey Perkins Trust

[humphreyperkins.org.uk](http://humphreyperkins.org.uk)



## SAVE THE DATES

Bradgate Secondary Schools Open Evenings 2023



### The Roundhill Academy Open Evening Thursday 21st September 2023

Information will be sent to our feeder Primary Schools with details of how to book a place at our Open Evening. Details will also be available on our website.

[www.roundhill.bepschools.org](http://www.roundhill.bepschools.org)



### Wreake Valley Academy Open Evening Thursday 28th September 2023

Information will be sent to our feeder Primary Schools with details of how to book a place at our Open Evening. Details will also be available on our website.

[www.wreake.bepschools.org](http://www.wreake.bepschools.org)



**LOUGHBOROUGH  
Amherst School**

Boys & Girls  
4 – 18 years



**LOUGHBOROUGH  
Grammar School**

Boys  
10 – 18 years



**LOUGHBOROUGH  
High School**

Girls  
11 – 18 years



**RAWLINS**

A CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

Year 6 into 7 Open Evening

Thursday 28 September

**SAVE THE DATE**

Full booking details on our website  
from Friday 8 September

## Rawlins

A Church of England  
Academy

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