

HALL ORCHARD



CE Primary School

# School Update

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## Happy New Year!

Christmas seems like so long ago now, but I hope you all enjoyed some time with your families over the festive period.

The new term kicks off with a flurry of class assemblies and we welcome parents from those classes to join us in the hall to enjoy the children's performances—they start at 9am and last around 15-20 minutes.

The Spring Term also generally brings the coldest/wettest weather and we would encourage the children to wear coats, hats and scarves to school, as we try to get them out at playtimes and lunchtimes in all but the wildest, wettest weather! Don't forget that if you are struggling for uniform we have a rail full of it, including coats, in reception ready for reuse. If you have any to donate, then please send them into the office. Many thanks.

Steve Dunn, Headteacher

## Spring Term 2024

### January 2023

Fri 19th Miss Dalby - Class Assembly

Fri 26th Spiritual Council Assembly

### February 2023

Thur 1st SENDCo Surgery

Fri 2nd Miss Patel - Class Assembly

Fri 9th Mrs Faulconbridge—Class Assembly

Fri 16th Mrs Carr/Miss Warden—Class Assembly

Mon 19th  
—Fri 23rd Spring Half-term break

### March 2023

Fri 8th Mr Kneafsey—Class Assembly

Fri 15th Red Nose Day!

Tues 19th Class Photos

Fri 22nd Last day of Spring Term/School closes

### April 2023

Mon 8th School opens for Summer Term



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## First-time Admissions: REMINDER

The closing date for applications for a school place in Autumn 2024 is this Monday - **Monday 15th January 2024.**

This is for parents of pupils new to the school (*including* those who already have siblings at the school).

Parents are encouraged to apply online at <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/popular-now/apply-for-a-primary-school-place>

## School Closures due to weather

In the event of heavy snowfall or in situations where some other unforeseen circumstances arise that may affect attendance at school, we may have to close.



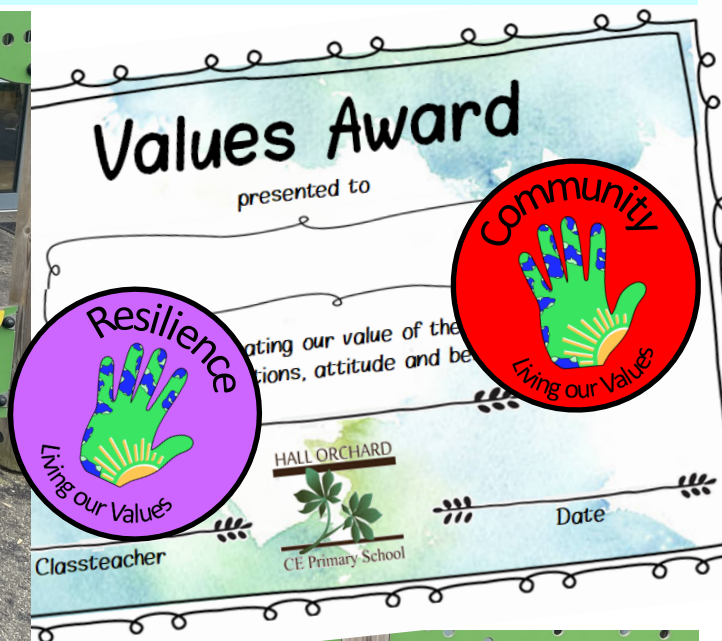
If this is the case then we shall inform you as quickly as possible by text, email, twitter and via the school website. Announcements will also be made on BBC Radio Leicester 104.9FM and on the BBC Leicester website.





## 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**.



We were delighted to award our **Values Awards** in assembly this week, with children from across the school receiving them for showing our Core Values. Our theme this week was **Respect**—demonstrating love and consideration for others and valuing them as individuals. This was shown by the children who went to Young Voices who were so respectful — they were a credit to the school. Definitely #LivingOurValues.



**Bronze Award** winners were announced in assembly again this week — our Year 6 children are just flying! These children have each collected at least 20 points of one or more of our 5 key values. Some of these have now collected two Bronze Awards for different values. Awesome stuff!