

# School Update

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## School meals

Unfortunately we've had some issues with the appliances in our kitchen this week resulting in us having to change our menu—often at short notice. Many apologies for this. The problems have been sorted now and we should be back to delivering our usual offering next week. Longer term, we are seeking to replace much of our outdated equipment—some of which is around 40 years old! - with more modern appliances. This will allow us to provide a broader range of meals which will hopefully appeal to more of our children. Don't forget that all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year2 are entitled to a free lunch. Additionally, many children in KS2 also receive a free school meal. Your child may be eligible if you/your family receive certain means-tested benefits —find out if you can get free school meals for your child by [applying here](#).

Steve Dunn,  
Headteacher

## Spring Term 2024

### February 2023

Mon 5th	Flamenco Workshop—Year 5
Fri 9th	Mrs Faulconbridge—Class Assembly
Tues 13th	Drumming Performances 9.00/9.45am
Fri 16th	Mrs Carr/Miss Warden—Class Assembly PTFA Own Clothes Day!
Mon 19th —Fri 23rd	Spring Half-term break
Tues 27th	Beauty & the Beast - Year 5&6 at HP

### March 2023

Fri 1st	Miss Dalby—Class Assembly
Mon 4th	Height and Weight
Tues 5th	Romans Day—Year 4
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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Next week is Children's Mental Health Week and our value of the week will be Individual Liberty, therefore our wonderful Pastoral Team have put together a plan for all our children. The week will be launched in our assembly on Monday. The Pastoral Team would like to invite every child in the school to experience what it is like to have some extra pastoral support. The theme for this is 'Your Voice Matters' which fits perfectly with our British Value of Individual Liberty.

Each KS1 class will have a class-based activity with members of the Pastoral Team – Mrs. Harrison, Mr. Gethins and Mrs. Clarkson.

For all KS2 children, The Hive will be open for 10 minutes drop-in sessions every afternoon. This is available to every child. Teachers will use their discretion around learning but will allow all those children this wonderful opportunity. We really hope that this will show that we really value them as individuals.

This hopefully will be a very exciting and rewarding week for all of us at Hall Orchard.







## 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 **Harmony** summed up perfectly here -*"Laugh with your happy friends when they're happy; share tears when they're down. Get along with each other; don't be stuck-up. Make friends with nobodies; don't be the great somebody."* from Romans 12:16. Well done to all those children who received awards for demonstrating this value this week. #LivingOurValues.



**Values Award**  
presented to  
for demonstrating  
through



**BRONZE**

**Bronze Award** winners were announced in assembly again this week — even more of our Year 6 children are doing brilliantly well!

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!

## Update from the PTFA

### Non Uniform Day

The next non uniform day will be 16 February 2024 in exchange for donations for the Spring Rainbow Raffle. Each year group are being asked to donate gifts in the following rainbow colours:

**Preschool** – any of the below colours

**Reception - Red**

**Orange - Year 1**

**Yellow - Year 2**

**Green - Year 3**

**Blue - Year 4**

**Pink - Year 5**

**Purple - Year 6**

### Summer Festival

Planning is underway for the Summer Festival taking place on 29 June 2024.

To make the event the best it can be we would love some parents/carers to join the planning committee, there are all sorts of roles/jobs that can be done. We appreciate busy families so if you can spare some of your time we would love your help.

If you would like to get involved, please get in touch via [ptfa@hall-orchard.leics.sch.uk](mailto:ptfa@hall-orchard.leics.sch.uk) or join us at our next meeting on Tuesday 5th March 2024 at 7.00pm [location to be confirmed].

### Summer Festival Stall Holders and Entertainment

Do you own or know anyone with a local business, a crafter or entertainer and want to be involved on the day, please get in touch via [ptfa@hall-orchard.leics.sch.uk](mailto:ptfa@hall-orchard.leics.sch.uk) and we will get back in touch with details/booking form.

