

School Update

Friday 26th September 2025

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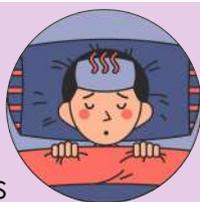
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Illness and absence

We are currently experiencing extremely high levels of absence –both staff and children—due to illness. Enhanced cleaning regimes are in place and we ask children to cover their mouths/noses when sneezing and wash their hands regularly to avoid spreading germs. If your child is suffering with flu-type symptoms or sickness then I would request that you keep them off school until their symptoms ease.



Considerate parking

When parking around school in the mornings and after school, please consider the needs of our neighbours by **not parking on or across their driveways**.

Additionally, please do not park on the Zig-Zag lines as this has safety implications. As ever, I encourage you to walk to school or even park further away and walk the last couple of hundred metres to help ease congestion on the busy roads around school.



Pre-school Update

Our Pre-school is currently full for this academic year, but we are now opening our waiting list for September 2026. Children aged between 3 and 4 years are welcome. To secure a place on our waiting list, please contact us early: 01509 414826 preschool@hall-orchard.leics.sch.uk



Autumn Term 2025

September 2025

Mon 29th-	
Fri 3rd	Year 6 Swimming Lessons
Oct	
Fri 26th	Class Assembly—Mrs Miles/Miss Ahmed

October 2025

Fri 10th	Hello Yellow Day! Book donations please!
Mon 13th	PTFA AGM 6.30pm—Soar Bridge Inn
w/c 13th	Parents Evenings—book online
	Harvest Service in Church *New date*
Wed 15th	KS1 9-9.45am, Y3/4 10-10.45, Y5/6 11-11.45 Parents welcome!

Fri 17th ~~Class Assembly—Mr Hatley. New date tbc~~

Mon 20th-	
Fri 24th	Autumn half-term break

November 2025

Thur 6th	Flu Vaccinations
Tues 11th	2026 EYFS Open Evening— 6pm
Fri 28th	Christmas Tree Festival in Church
Sat 29th	Barrow Light Switch on—Choir singing at 4pm

December 2025

Fri 12th	EYFS Nativity in Church
Tues 16th	KS1 Christmas Performances
-Wed 17th	
Thurs 18th	Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 19th	KS2 Lessons and Carol Service in Church Last day of Autumn Term

Spring Term 2026

January 2026

Tues 6th	School opens for Spring Term
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February 2026

Mon 16th-	
Fri 20th	Spring half term break

March 2026

Fri 27th	Last day of Spring Term
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Term dates for [2025-26](#) and [2026-27](#) can be found on the school website. Please avoid booking holidays during term time. Many thanks



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. This week our theme was **Peace**. We discussed how Peace has many different definitions—Inner peace, peace between each other in school, peace in the community, peace in the world and peace with God. Well done to all those children who received awards this week (and also those who didn't - your time will come!) for demonstrating our values!



Our amazing children were out and about this week representing the school at various sporting events. Our fantastic girls football team finished runners-up (on goal difference!) in their tournament whilst the mixed football team more than held their own at a separate event.

Our New Age Curling/Boccia Team performed brilliantly and will go on to represent the Charnwood Area at the Leicestershire games later in the season. Mr Hanford was so proud of you all for doing the school proud. As are we all!



SCHOOL NOTICES & COMMUNITY NEWS

Mental Health

Tip of the Week



If there is ever a time where you don't like something that is happening or you feel uncomfortable with it, you can set your boundaries with people by saying something along the lines of "please stop that, I don't like it" or "please don't do that, you're making me feel uncomfortable".

Remember that you can always tell a trusted adult. In school we have; the hive and pastoral team, the mental health champions hut (in the playground) and all of your teachers).

Talking to somebody can really encourage you to feel better and those people can offer different suggestions of how to feel happier. This week, you could start by making a safety network- a list of 5 adults that you trust.

This weeks mental health tip was brought to you by Olivia and Erica :)

Our latest recruits from Year 4 took part in their first training session this week on their journey to becoming **Mental Health Champions** .



Our first set of new **School Prefects** received their lanyards today in assembly. We look forward to them supporting the school in many different ways and being role models for the younger children. Our final group will join next week.



FOX'S READING DEN

In partnership with Usborne

Barrow Scout Hut
Saturday
27th September
2025
1pm-3pm

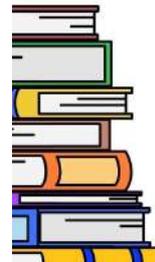


Every book purchased will go towards accessing free books for the local Primary School & Scout Group

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AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

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PRIMARY SCHOOL

MONDAY - GYMNASTICS

TUESDAY - MULTI SPORTS/GIRLS FOOTBALL

WEDNESDAY- DODGEBALL

THURSDAY- FOOTBALL



SPORTS CLUBS
3:15-4:30PM



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Annual General Meeting

- 📍 Hall Orchard PTFA AGM
- 📅 Monday 13th October 2025
- 🕒 6.00–7.30pm | 📍 Soar Bridge Inn, Bridge Street



Join us for our Annual General Meeting – hear how funds have supported the school and help elect the new PTFA Committee and support one of the great village pubs!

All parents & carers are automatically members, so please come along and get involved! ❤️

📩 RSVP by 10 October via the school office or PTFA email.

Colour Fun Run and Obstacle Course – NEW DATE ANNOUNCEMENT



New Date: 25 April 2026



Location: School Field

As you know, we had to make the tough call to postpone due to low ticket sales and fewer volunteers than needed. The extra time has given us the chance to regroup and make sure this event will be everything our school community deserves.



What this means for you

- If you already bought tickets, they're **still valid** for the new date.
- If you can't make it, don't worry— you can **request a refund** via your order confirmation email.

New tickets will be back on sale soon — save the date in your diary!



How You Can Help We'd love your support to make this rescheduled event our best one yet:

- **Volunteer:** Sign up to lend a hand on the day—it makes a huge difference.
- **Spread the word:** Share the new date with friends, family, and coworkers.
- **Support the event:** Can't attend? Consider donating or sponsoring to help cover costs.

We're so grateful for your patience, support, and excitement.

easyfundraising

Thank you to everyone who joined us on #easyfundraising this week!

Not joined yet? Sign up to easyfundraising and when you shop online with your favourite brands, they'll donate to us. It's free and your shopping won't cost you any extra - the brands you shop with will donate, not you!

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