



School Update

Friday 13th March 2026

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Site safety - a reminder

Bicycles, Scooters (including electric scooters) and balance bikes are not to be used on school grounds. If you bring these to school in the morning or after school, please ensure they are not used by children (or yourselves!) but either carried or pushed around or left outside of the school grounds.

As highlighted previously, parking continues to be a problem at Church Street and Melton Road. From next week, we are expecting increased Police and the Civil Parking Enforcement Team (Leicestershire County Council) presence which may act in reminding drivers of their legal responsibilities around parking —especially by the zig-zags at the front and rear of school. Their presence should support us in our efforts to ensure our children are safe on their journeys to and from school.

I would ask also that both entrances to the school (Church Street and Melton Road) are kept clear at all times allowing pedestrian access for the 575 children plus families using them each day.

Thank you for your help in this matter.



Spring Term 2026

March 2026

Fri 27th	Last day of Spring Term
Mon 30th- Fri 10th	Easter Holiday

Summer Term 2026

April 2026

Mon 13th	School opens for Summer Term
Mon 27th	Year 4 at Jewry Wall Museum, Leicester (details to follow)
Wed 29th -Thur 30th	Year 3/4 Spring Show (details to follow)

May 2026

Fri 1st	Year 3/4 Spring Show (details to follow)
Mon 4th	Bank Holiday Monday—school closed
Thur 7th	Year 6 at Warning Zone
Mon 11th- Thur 14th	KS2 SATs (Year 6)
Tues 12th	Year 1 at Beaumanor Hall (details to follow)
Wed 20th	School Photographer—Class Photos
Mon 25th- Fri 29th	Summer half-term break

June 2026

Thur 25th- Fri 26th	Humphrey Perkins Transition Days
Sat 27th	PTFA Summer Festival
Tues 30th	Year 5&6 at Beaumanor Hall

July 2026

Fri 10th	Last day of Summer 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

We're on facebook.

Scan the code and give us a follow.





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 focus this week has been **Endurance** – which we defined as the ability to endure something difficult without giving up. This is a value celebrated brilliantly by Mrs Godwin/ Mrs Fowler's class today in their wonderful class assembly.

We also handed out certificates and prizes to the children who raised the most money as part of the recent **PTFA Readathon** which raised an incredible £4,261 in total! A special mention to Ayaan who raised an amazing **£300**!

Well done to all those children who received awards this week (and also those who didn't - your time will come!).



🦋 Readathon Final Total – Thank You! 🦋

The final donations have now come in following a few additional contributions since last Thursday, and we are delighted to confirm that the final total raised from the Readathon and Book Sale is **£4260.94!** 📖 ✨

A huge thank you to our incredible school community for supporting this event. Whether your child took part in the reading challenge, you sponsored a reader, donated books, or supported the book sale – it has all helped make this a fantastic success.

🏆 And now for our winning classes!

KS1 Winners: 🐾 Fox Class

KS2 Winners: 🌿 Sycamore Class

Both classes will be celebrated with a **film and treat afternoon** as a big **thank you and well done** for their fantastic effort and enthusiasm during the Readathon.

★ We have also celebrated **seven children across the school who each raised over £100 each in sponsorship** an incredible achievement! This was celebrated in assembly today. Thank you for your outstanding effort and for going the extra mile to support the event.

We'll reveal of our top secret project VERY SOON 👁️

Your support allows the PTFA to fund exciting opportunities and projects that benefit all the children in our school.

🌸 Summer Festival Sponsorship Opportunities: Promote your business to families in the area I

Gain visibility at popular school events I Build strong community links I Support children's learning, wellbeing, and play

As plans for this year's Summer Festival gather momentum, we're inviting local businesses to get involved by sponsoring the event.

Sponsorship is a fantastic way to support a much-loved community event while also promoting your business to local families. Sponsors will be recognised across our event publicity, including social media, newsletters and on the day of the festival.

If you or a business you know might be interested in supporting the festival, we would love to hear from you.

Please get in touch to find out more about the sponsorship opportunities available.

*Thank you as always for your ongoing support.
The PTFA Team*

HALL ORCHARD PARENT, TEACHER AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

SAVE THE DATE

Get ready for this years HOPS Summer Festival!

JUNE	JUNE	JUNE
26	27	28

BAR, BBQ, ENTERTAINMENT AND MUCH MORE!

<https://www.ptfa-hallorchard.org.uk/events/hops-summer-festival-2026>



SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS

Nature Explorers have enjoyed berry painting this week over in the Forest School area during their outdoor learning sessions.



Mr Lyberd's

FOOTBALL CAMP

Kick off your school break with fun, skills, and football action that helps you sharpen your game, stay active, and enjoy exciting challenges every day.

HALL ORCHARD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Church Street, Barrow Upon Soar. LE12 8HP

- ✓ Skills & ball techniques
- ✓ Footwork exercises
- ✓ Strategy & teamwork exercises
- ✓ Fun games & competitions
- ✓ Prizes to be won daily

Saturday's
8:30AM-3:30PM

5-13 Years Old

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