

HARBY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL - LINK LETTER

Expanding horizons, exploring potential, embracing faith



*"Start children off on the way they should go,
and even when they are old they will not turn from it."*
Proverbs 22:6

*This Link Letter contains news,
forthcoming events and information,
helping you to keep in touch with school.*



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Peace, Endurance, Friendship, Compassion, Thankfulness, Koinonia

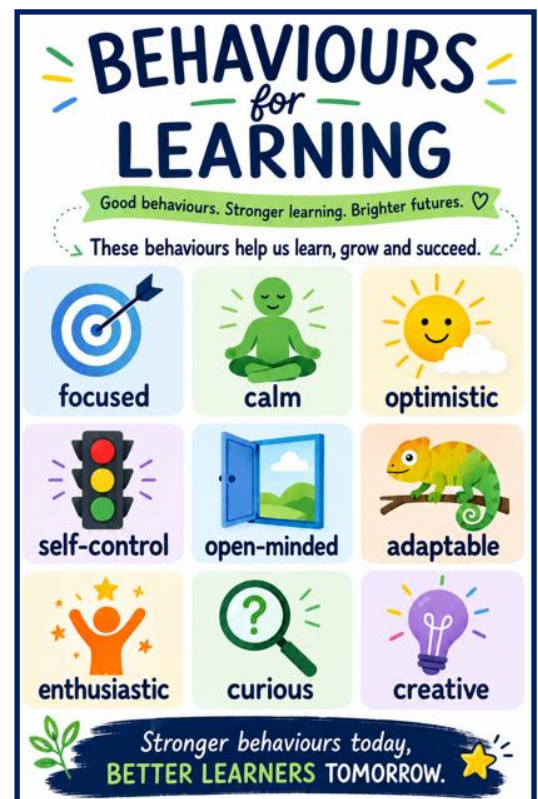
Assembly Focus

This week we have continued to focus on a group of character strengths that are 'Behaviours for Learning.'

We have been thinking about why we should show good behaviours and what the right things to do is.

We talked about doing the right thing – even if no one is watching – because it is important in helping us grow and learn. Sometimes it can be hard to do the right thing. Sometimes we reflect and realise that a different choice may have been better – we can learn from this as we keep trying.

We will continue to focus on these areas throughout the first half term in school, looking at how they can help us.



Team Points

Well done to **EARTH** - the winning team this week!

Cumulative Total – Autumn Term 2026			
Earth	Air	Fire	Water
51	49	49	54

Scholastic Book Fair!

We will be hosting a Scholastic book fair in school next week.

It will be straight after school, or during Parents Evening, on Tuesday 6th, Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th October and after school on Friday 9th and Monday 12th October.

Please come and visit our Scholastic Book Fair in the hub in the centre of school. There will be a range of books for you and your child to browse and purchase if you wish to. There will be a wide selection of books starting at around £3.99 +. Payments will be card only, made using a QR code to scan and pay from your mobile phone. Unfortunately, we will not be able to accept cash payments.

Every purchase at the fair helps to earn our school rewards and new books for our classroom libraries!

Please come along, support our school book fair and continue to help promote a love of reading!

Many thanks for your support,
Mrs Marsden and the Harby team.



Applying for Secondary School Places

If your child is currently in Year 6 you will need to apply for their secondary school place for when they transfer from primary. The Leicestershire County Council website has information which can be found at [Apply for a secondary school | Leicestershire County Council](#) and you may find this useful.

The deadline for all applications is 31st October 2026. Everyone must apply for a place as there is not automatic entry for any school. Schools in the local area will be holding their own visit sessions and you can find out more information from specific schools by visiting their websites.

If you have any questions or would like any help with this, please ask Mrs. Bye.

Cross Country at Longfield

On Saturday 10th October it will be the Melton and Belvoir Primary Cross Country Festival. This will be held at Longfield Spencer Academy in Melton Mowbray. The race times are as follows:

10:00am - **Y3/4 Girls**

10:15am – **Y3/4 Boys**

10:30am – **Y1/2 Fun Run**

10:45am - **Y5/6 Girls**

11:00am - **Y5/6 Boys**

The main aims of the event are to promote participation in primary cross country and to provide a safe, enjoyable, and positive experience for all participants.

Due to the building works currently taking place at Long Field Spencer Academy, parking on site will be limited. We would therefore encourage attendees to walk where possible, share transport, or make use of the car park kindly provided by Melton Mowbray Baptist Church, Leicester Road, Melton Mowbray, LE13 0FA.

The event should be completed no later than 11:30am and there will be refreshments available for purchase throughout the morning. The distances are: Year 5 and 6 – around 1 mile. Year 3 and 4 – under 1 mile. Fun run – approx. 1k

Please contact Mrs. Ford if you would like to take part – everyone is welcome!

Parents' Evening

We have shared a letter about our forthcoming Parents' Evenings. Please contact the school office if you have not received one and would like to arrange an appointment, or to arrange an appointment at a different time, and we will be happy to help.

Phonics and Reading Information Evening

Thank you to those who were able to come along to our information evening, we hope you found it helpful.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Help Make the Belvoir Challenge a Success

Saturday 27 February 2027

The Belvoir Challenge raises over £20,000 for Harby Primary School.

We are looking for parents, carers, family members and friends who can spare a little time to help on the day.

NO MEETINGS REQUIRED! Just help on the day. Any time you can spare is appreciated.

Ways you can help:

- Set-up
- Marshalling
- Check points
- Registration

SAVE THE DATE!

We will be signing up volunteers soon, so please save the date and keep an eye out for further information.

Every volunteer helps us raise more money for our school and makes a real difference to our children.

Next week in school: *Scholastic Book Fair in the hub from 6th October*

Monday 5 th October:	Year 5/6 Football Tournament during the day Cross Country Club after school
Tuesday 6 th October:	Parents evening – Class 1
Wednesday 7 th October:	Parents evening – Class 2 No Young Voices Choir tonight due to parents evening
Thursday 8 th October:	Parents evening – Class 3
Friday 9 th October:	

Dates for the diary:

New / updated dates in red

- 10th October – Cross Country event at Longfield
- 16th October – School closes for the half term holiday
- 26th October – Training day – school closed to children
- 27th October – Training day – school closed to children
- 28th October – Training day – school closed to children
- 29th October – School opens for the second part of the autumn term
- 11th November – Remembrance service at the cross – everyone welcome
- 27th November – Christingle in school and at church
- 10th December – Nativity in church at 1.45pm and 6.30pm
- 18th December – School closes for the Christmas holiday

We hope you all have a good weekend!