16th October 2026

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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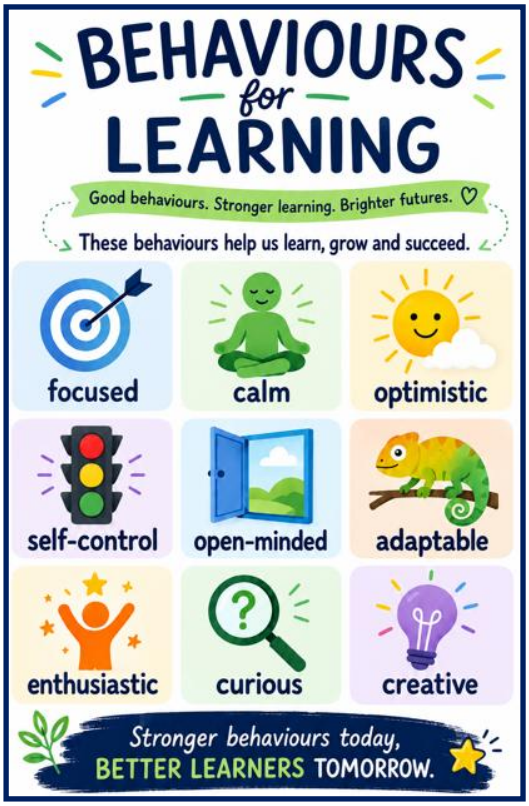
Peace, Endurance, Friendship, Compassion, Thankfulness, Koinonia

Assembly Focus

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

We have shown excellent behaviours for learning this week in our work and play.

We have celebrated this in assembly with some children receiving a special certificate for especially good demonstration of these character strengths during the half term.



Team Points

Well done to EARTH and AIR - the winning team this week!

Cumulative Total – Autumn Term 2026			
Earth	**Air**	**Fire**	**Water**
73	**71**	**66**	**64**

Scholastic Book Fair – Thank you

Thank you for your support with the Scholastic book fair recently. We spent £650 on books in total, which means we have £290 to spend on books for our three classes!



That is fantastic and we look forward to choosing our new books!

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.

Friends of the School Meeting

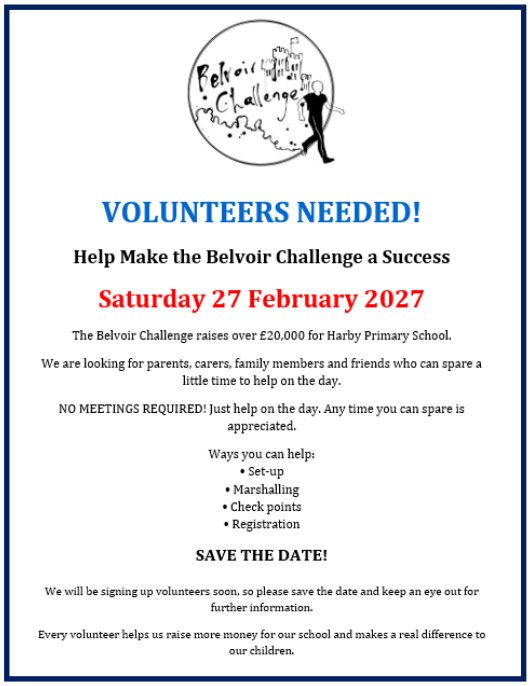
Thank you to those who were able to attend our Friends of the School meeting this week.

We discussed the launch of ticket sales for the Belvoir Challenge 2027!

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 26th November at 7pm. This will be a hybrid meeting held at school and online too to help parents to be able to attend.

A link will be shared nearer the time.

We hope to see you there and thank you for your continued support.



Roman day in Class 2 recently – helping to bring their history topic to life!









First week back in school:

Monday 26th October:	Training day – school closed to children
Tuesday 27th October:	Training day – school closed to children
Wednesday 28th October:	Training day – school closed to children
Thursday 29th October:	School opens for the second part of the autumn term
Friday 30th October:	

Dates for the diary: ***New dates will be added after the holiday***
New / updated dates in red

11th November – Remembrance service at the cross – everyone welcome
26th November – Friends of the School meeting at 7pm at school and online
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

Some events that may be of interest to families!







We hope you all have a good half term holiday and look forward to welcoming you back to school on Thursday 29th October!