



The Hinckley
SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Building Brighter Futures

Thursday 21st September

PROUDLY SHOWCASING OUR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s),

Yesterday evening we held our annual Open Evening for prospective Year 7 students and their families. The evening was a great success with high attendance numbers and our sense of community, aspiration and seven year journey clearly came across to our guests.

I enjoyed speaking to families during my 'Welcome Speech' in the Library throughout the evening, alongside three incredible students who spoke so eloquently. Parents and carers told me how lucky I was to have such exceptional students and amazing staff and I could not agree more.

Our students came out in force to support the event this year. Supporting subjects in classrooms, acting as tour guides and speaking to visitors about their time here at The Hinckley School. There was a wonderful atmosphere last night and it really showcased why we are so proud of our community. I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who took part and for helping us to put on such a wonderful event.

I will now look forward to welcoming many more families into The Hinckley School for daytime tours and I'm sure our students will give families a very warm welcome.

Take care, Lisa Hickman, Headteacher

Thank you to all students who supported our Open Evening.
You were all a credit to the school and we couldn't have put on such a wonderful event without you all.
We hope you all enjoy a well earned restful weekend.

PRAISE FOR ENGAGEMENT IN YEAR 9

Ms Garcia and Mr Hoffman have praised their Year 9 students for their engagement in lessons this week.

Ms Garcia asked her Year 9 class to create "Flash Cards" as part of their learning preparation, with one side in English and the other side in Spanish. Students created some great resources that will help them to revisit their knowledge and Ms Garcia is very proud of the class.

Mr Hoffman also shared, "9B/Fd1 had their first practical lesson with me on Thursday making Risotto, and let's just say that every student left the room with an R4 on class charts!" Keep up the great work Year 9!



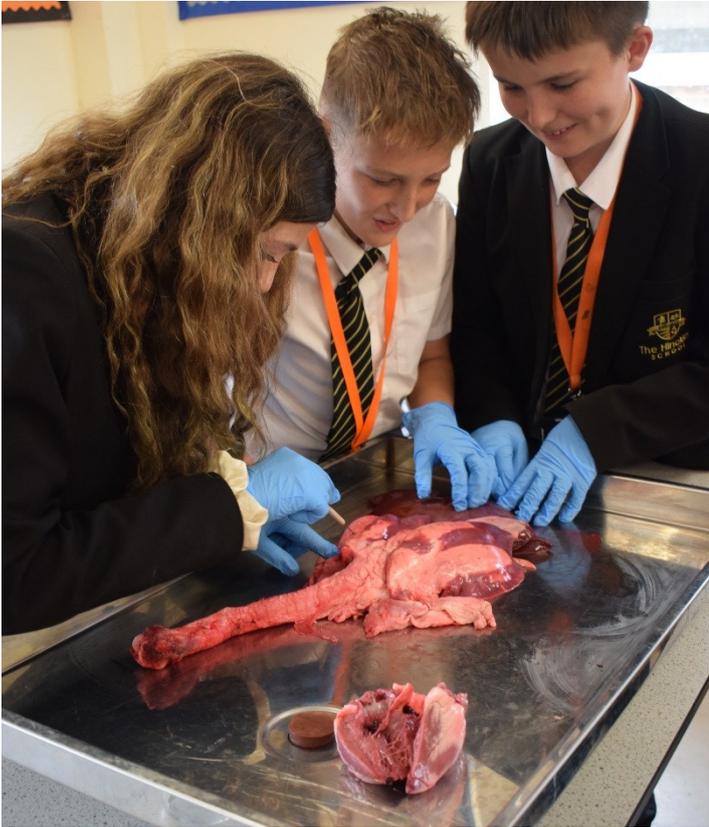
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EXAMINING THE STRUCTURE OF LUNGS

Students in Mr Taylor's class were examining the structure of the lungs this week, investigating how they inflate as well as identifying key structures such as the trachea, bronchi and bronchioles.

Mr Taylor shared the reason behind the lesson, "The purpose of this was to ensure that students were able to relate what they had learnt in theory into what it looks like in real life." Students are now moving onto look at anaerobic respiration and what happens when our respiratory system is unable to acquire enough oxygen to release energy from glucose.



PROGRAMMING CHALLENGE—No 2



Mr Holmes has launched the second of his fortnightly Programming Challenges! This is an opportunity for students to improve their programming, learn new skills and win prizes! Our Wednesday after-school club will also give students a chance to share ideas and work together on each challenge.

Don't forget that the challenges are open to students and parents and carers - so everyone can get involved from home!

"Please watch the Introduction video to learn more about how the challenges work, what you can win, and how you can become a programming superstar! Good Luck!", Mr Holmes – Head of Computer Science at The Hinckley School

[Click here to take on the second programming challenge!](#)

**Well done to everyone who took part in our first Programming Challenge with Mr Holmes!
Congratulations to the winner Kais, 7CAM and runner up Megan, 8MAL - keep up the amazing work!**

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD CELEBRATIONS

Ms Fennell, our Duke of Edinburgh Co-Ordinator, would like to say a big congratulations to the following young people who have completed their Duke of Edinburgh's awards recently, receiving their Bronze, Silver or Gold awards!

Well done to you all!

<p>Bronze</p> <p>Marcus Benjamin</p>		<p>BRONZE</p> <p>Volunteering 3 months <small>PLUS a further 3 months in the Volunteering, Physical or Skills section.</small></p> <p>Physical 3 months</p> <p>Skills 3 months</p> <p>Expedition 2 days 1 night</p> 
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<p>Silver</p> <p>Matilda Lily Jake Morgan Maisie Holly Jack Rhys</p>		<p>SILVER</p> <p>Volunteering 6 months <small>Direct entrants must do a further 6 months in the Volunteering, Physical or Skills sections.</small></p> <p>Physical <small>one section for 6 months, the other for 3 months</small></p> <p>Skills <small>one section for 6 months, the other for 3 months</small></p> <p>Expedition 3 days 2 nights</p> 	<p>Gold</p> <p>Erin Jessie-Mae</p>		<p>GOLD</p> <p>Volunteering 12 months <small>Plus an extra 6 months in the Volunteering, or longer of the Skills or Physical sections, if you haven't got Silver.</small></p> <p>Physical <small>one section for 12 months, the other for 6 months</small></p> <p>Skills <small>one section for 12 months, the other for 6 months</small></p> <p>Expedition 4 days 3 nights</p> <p>Residential 5 days 4 nights</p> 
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WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING



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MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT

On **Friday 29 September**, The Hinckley School is supporting Macmillan's World Biggest Coffee Morning.

At **lunch** in each Year Hub, there will be a stall **selling cakes** to **raise money** for the charity.

We are requesting that students donate cakes, baked goods or sweet treats on the day to sell at each stall.

The **best cake** in each Year Hub will **win a prize!**

There will also be a **prize** for the **'Most Charitable' year group** so encourage as many of your friends to get involved!

Students are encouraged to bring some change in to purchase items.

Thank you for your support.



INSPIRATIONAL ALUMNI VISIT

“We are delighted to share an inspiring story from one of our own, Kieran Pierce Bsc Msc, an esteemed former student who has gone on to achieve great success in the field of health, fitness, and psychology. Kieran pursued his passion for these subjects during his time studying with us and has since carved an impressive path for himself.

Alumnus Kieran, graduated from university with a degree in Sports and Exercise Science and later pursued a Master's degree in Sport and Exercise Psychology at Leeds University. His dedication to these fields and his academic excellence have set him on a remarkable journey.

Recently, Kieran had the privilege of returning to our school to share his knowledge and experiences with our Year 12 students. His talk focused on the critical aspects of health, fitness, and confidence, which are not only vital for personal well-being but also integral to success in various aspects of life.

What makes Kieran's story even more remarkable is that he has established his own online personal training and coaching business. Through this venture, he has been helping individuals of all backgrounds achieve their health and fitness goals, while also addressing the psychological aspects of motivation, self-esteem, and confidence. Kieran's passion for his work, combined with his academic expertise, allowed him to deliver a captivating and informative session to our Year 12 students. His journey from a student here with us to a successful entrepreneur and motivational speaker is a testament to the possibilities that await those who pursue their passions with dedication and determination.

We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to Kieran for taking the time to inspire our students and for being an outstanding representative of our school community. His story serves as a source of motivation for our current students as they embark on their academic and personal journeys. We look forward to following Kieran's continued success and hope that his story will inspire many more aspiring students within our school community.”

- Mr Boast



The Hinckley
SIXTH FORM

GOLD MEDAL IN TEN PIN BOWLING



This week we were delighted to celebrate student Ethan for his Ten Pin Bowling achievements. Mr Toor took the opportunity to celebrate Ethan's success within his year 10 community during his assembly about leaders.

Ethan competes at Ten Pin Bowling, and started when he was just seven years old, showing great dedication and passion for the sport. At the beginning of this year he trialed for the Warwickshire county team, he is now an U16s Captain and has been given a place in the U22 team. In addition, in June Ethan gained a place in the England squad!

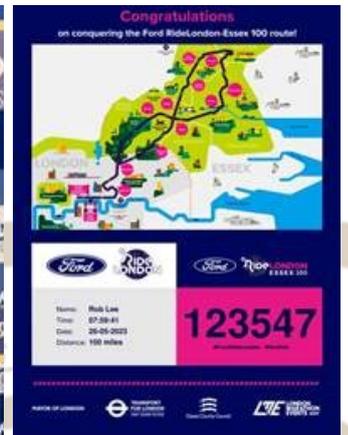
Recently he was picked for the U16 team and travelled to Scotland on in August for five days of competing against Scotland, Wales, Ireland, Belgium and Iceland in the Youth Triple Crown, where he came away with a gold medal in the Trios and a bronze medal in the team event.

We are incredible proud of your achievements—well done Ethan!

MR LEE'S LONDON CLASSICS CHALLENGE



“Well that’s a wrap – our London Classics 2023 Challenge was completed over the weekend with my wife and I taking part in the 2-mile Swim Serpentine event in Hyde Park (along with the London Marathon in April and the RideLondon-Essex 100-mile bike ride in May). You can claim a London Classics medal by completing all three events at any time – they don’t all have to be done in the same year, but we set ourselves the challenge of doing all three in 2023 in memory of our son, who we lost to suicide last October. As part of this, many of you will remember us raising money for [Place2Be](#), a wonderful children’s mental health charity who work in schools up and down the UK. Students and staff at The Hinckley School helped raise an amazing £774.30 out of our final total of £7094.62. It is very hard for me to put into words just how much the support from everyone at the school has meant to us over the last year, but on top of the fundraising, the care and concern of our school community and amazing words of support and encouragement from so many of our students has touched our hearts forever.



We wanted to say a massive thank you to everyone who has helped us along the way and most especially to our wonderful students. You are all absolutely amazing – just remember to aim high, work hard and follow your dreams. Believe, be kind and be awesome!” - Mr Lee, IT



Everyone at The Hinckley School would like to share how incredibly proud we are of Mr Lee – he is a fantastic role model for our students .