

# NEWSLETTER

Summer - July 2024



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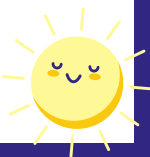
It has been a busy and exciting year across Embrace schools and one which has enabled us to grow and develop how we all work together collaboratively, strengthening all that we do.

My message to everyone is one of 'thank you' as we finish the year - everyone within our schools and across the trust has played an important part in supporting our children and young people to achieve and be the best they can be. We do this together through development at every level including staff training opportunities and school to school support.

We have introduced a number of ways of communicating this year and our new trust staff dashboard which has been introduced allows access to key well being resources, news and updates for staff across Embrace. We have also started sharing our key messages and successes across an increased social media presence this year - being able to share our news and opportunities in this way is the start of our communication journey and this will be a key development for us next year.

As a trust we continue to grow and develop in all that we do and I look forward to being able to share with you all our improvements and developments for 2024/25.

The summer break is a time for everyone to rest and refresh and I would like to wish you all a good summer holiday.



## Spotlight



We are so proud of our staff and all they have achieved this year, here are just a few:



Laura McWhinnie, Embrace Director of Education, achieved a Level 7 Coaching qualification.

Leanne Jones, Assistant Headteacher and SENDCo at Manorfield, completed a Qualification for Senior Leadership (NPQSL).

Amy Summerfield, Croft, has completed a Level 3 and 4 in Makaton.

Nikki Spencer-Parks, Teaching Assistant at Arnesby, achieved an ELSA qualification.



Sue Lawrence, Assistant Principal and SENCo, is retiring this year after 41 years at Brockington.

Jodie Chadwick, Teacher at Huncote, competed an EdTech Leaders Academy Programme

Becky Weed, Primary Teacher at Manorfield, completed a Masters in Psychological Well-being at De Montfort University.

Jeannette Hill celebrated her 28th year of service at Manorfield.



## Arnesby

**Our School Fair was a tremendous success and raised an impressive £1260!**

During the event, pupils and staff, governors and community members enjoyed visiting various stalls, playing games, and taking part in raffles.

A big thank you to our PTA, Friends of Arnesby, for coordinating this fantastic event and to everyone who joined us! **View photo's here!**



## Rawlins



Our Year 12 Fine Art students were tasked by Charnwood Borough Council to design and create a mural to be exhibited at Queens Park in Loughborough.

The mural's theme will capture the essence of Loughborough and will play a part in the Britain in Bloom 2024 competition!

The students have shown exceptional skill and talent and are working hard to collaborate as a team.

Stay tuned to see the finished mural!



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# Swinford



**2024 is Swinford Schools 150th Birthday!** Part of our celebrations saw the Bishop of Loughborough and members of the local community attend a birthday service, which recognised the significance of the school with prayers, hymns, historical retellings by the children and of course, birthday cake!



# Manorfield

Manorfield Voices recently performed to an audience of family, friends and supporters from our local community.



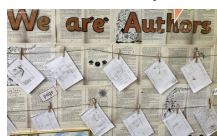
The children sang with great passion and enthusiasm and are eagerly awaiting their next opportunity to showcase their talents!!



# Sherrier

At Sherrier, we have adopted a new writing approach: 'Writing for Pleasure'. The aims of which are to give children more opportunities to write and use a different 'craft move' ('show don't tell', or 'figurative language') each session, then applying this to their own topic of choice.

The approach has been a great success so far, and pupils have enjoyed using their Personal Writing Journals.



# St Peter's Market Bosworth



Mrs Perrett and our school council have dedicated themselves to our anti-bullying campaign this year, resulting in the achievement of the Beyond Bullying Gold Award!



An integral part of our efforts has been focusing on student well-being, with our ambassadors promoting positive mental health activities.

Collaborating with local councils, a larger group of students honed skills to enhance mental health and well-being. These students were honored with the title of Positivity Ambassador.



# Huncote

We recently had a very exciting and informative assembly from the Air Ambulance!

They highlighted the lifesaving work they do and how they support people across the country.

As a thank you for their time, children were tasked with wearing something yellow, which is the colour of the Air Ambulance helicopters, and to donate to their amazing cause.



Everyone looked fabulous and approximately £160 was raised and donated!

# St Peter's Whetstone



We've had our library refurbished, providing a welcoming space for children to learn and read with friends!

The project was made possible through fundraising events organised by the dedicated St Peter's PTA, known as WASPs, who are enthusiastic about supporting the children.



# Croft

The Bishop of Leicester recently visited us! Bishop Martyn held an assembly where he introduced his role and shared insights about the church.



Following this, he toured the school and had a Q&A session with the pupils, who asked some outstanding questions!



# Brockington



Our talented students recently brought the spooky charm of "The Addams Family" to life in a spectacular school show.



The performance and production was a true testament to the creativity, dedication, and hard work of everyone involved.



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# A Guide to RSHE Consultation Sex Education Forum

On the 16th of May 2024, the Department of Education opened a consultation on the teaching of RSHE (relationships, sex and health education) as a subject. Their objective is to garner as many relevant views as possible, on the future of this area in schools.

To respond to the consultation please visit this link



One body which is submitting their view to the department's open consultation is the Sex Education Forum. This week the organisation, which seeks to promote high quality sex and relationships education, has published their planned answers to the consultation.

If you're interested in viewing their guidance to their response to the consultation, please visit



## Thank you



Working alongside and with our schools communities and families is important to us and the feedback you provide enables us to improve and develop to be the very best we can. This is how we improve and strengthen all of our schools and wider across the trust.

We are eager to share our good work as a trust for our schools through regular updates and news following key events, premises and site improvements. Please watch for these as part of our regular communication next year. The feedback you have provided this year as part of our parent surveys will be instrumental to how we plan our next steps and improvements, both at individual school levels and wider cross Embrace.

Thank you to those who responded to our school and trust surveys.



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