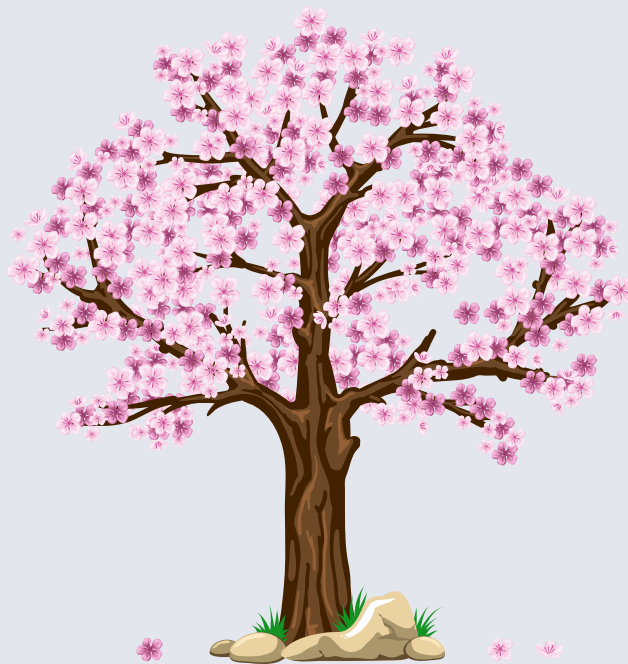


# Success Academy Trust Newsletter

Spring 2026

Aspiration

Sometimes, the seed you plant  
today becomes the tree that  
shades your tomorrow.



BUILDING  
LEADERSHIP AND  
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TOGETHER

# Aspirations at the Heart of Our Trust

Success Academy Trust believe that aspiration is more than setting goals – it's having the confidence to imagine a future full of possibilities.

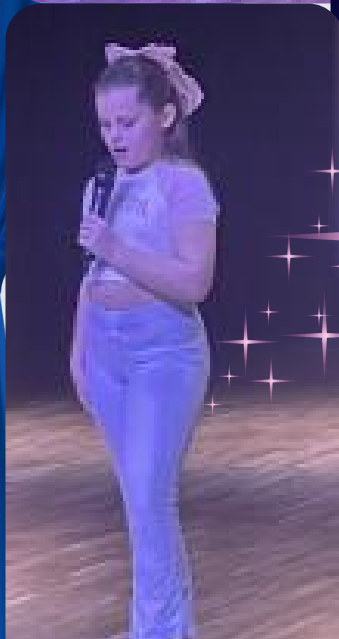
This term, our pupils have been encouraged to think big, challenge themselves, and explore the paths that excite them most.

From classroom discussions, science and performing to enrichment opportunities and inspiring guest visitors, students across all year groups have shown fantastic ambition and determination.

We are incredibly proud of the positive attitude our learners bring each day and the aspirational futures they are already beginning to shape.



# SUCCESSFEST MONDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> MARCH





**This March, we were delighted to host SuccessFest, our Trust-wide celebration of talent and togetherness across all four schools. Each school selected twelve remarkable pupils to shine on stage, sharing their talents in singing, dancing, comedy, music and more.**

**It was a joyful evening enjoyed by families, staff and governors, filled with pride and plenty of applause. Most importantly, our children showed exceptional leadership, remarkable character and inspiring aspiration as they stepped forward with confidence and supported one another throughout the event.**

**We could not be prouder of every participant –SuccessFest truly showcased the very best of who they can be.**

# SUCCESSFEST MONDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> MARCH





Success Academy Trust's

# science fair

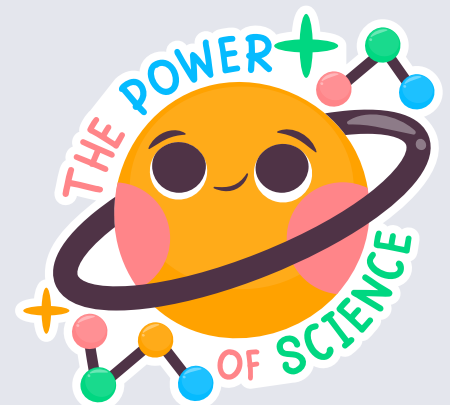


**Our Annual Success Academy Trust Science Fair:**

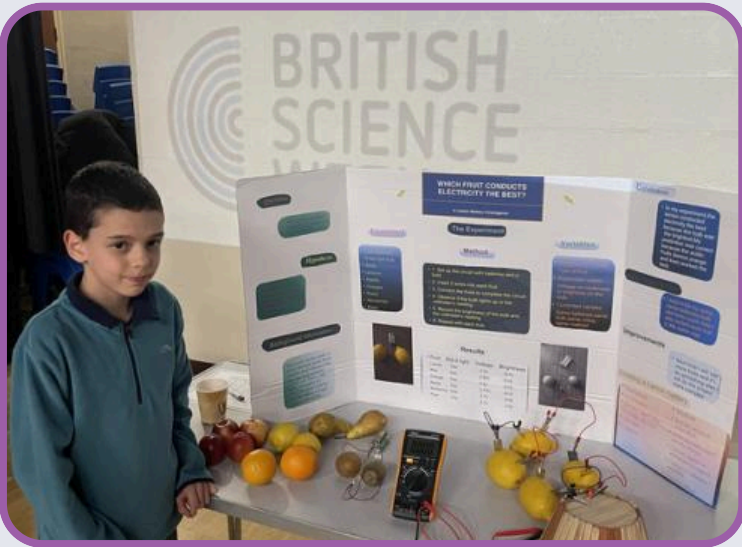
Thomas Estley were delighted to host our annual Trust Science Fair, which brought together students from across the Trust to celebrate their curiosity, creativity and enthusiasm for science.

We received a total of 11 fantastic entries, including projects from Hallbrook and Richmond as well as from Thomas Estley.

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# TRUST SCIENCE FAIR



## results

- Primary winner: Jason
- Secondary winner: Nate
- Primary winner: Jason
- Primary winner: Ariya.



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## Strength

Inspiring children's aspirations involves nurturing curiosity, confidence, and resilience while providing guidance, resources, and opportunities to explore their interests and set meaningful goals.



## Influences



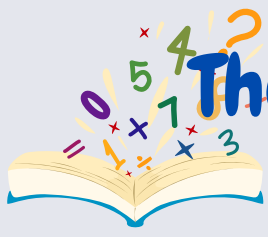
## Interests



## Experiences



## Performance



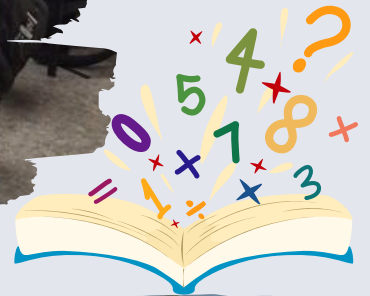
# Thomas Estley Community College

## UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge

A huge well done to all the Thomas Estley students who took part in the UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge. This demanding competition called for advanced problem-solving, logical thinking, and determination – and our pupils embraced the challenge with admirable maturity and focus.

Throughout the competition, they demonstrated real **perseverance**, **courage**, and a genuine **commitment to success**, showing exactly what it means to approach learning with a **positive, resilient, and aspirational mindset**.

Well done, Year 10 – we couldn't be prouder of your achievements and the example you continue to set!



# Thomas Estley Community College Careers Drop Down Day



**Thomas Estley was delighted to welcome 28 employers onto site to speak with students about their industries, career journeys, and the skills that led them to where they are today.**

**Our students engaged brilliantly throughout the sessions, showing curiosity, confidence, and a genuine eagerness to learn more about the world of work. Employers were particularly impressed by the thoughtful and probing questions our students asked – a real reflection of their **aspiration and commitment** to exploring their future pathways.**

**To end the day, students enjoyed an inspiring talk from the University of Leicester, offering valuable insights into university life and the opportunities that higher education can bring.**

# Hallbrook Primary

Hallbrook have been working hard with their eco-ambassadors, wellbeing ambassadors and sports ambassadors to be **more aspirational** around the changes they can make.



**SPORT**

**“I want to encourage more children to play a wider variety of sports.” – James**

**“I want others to love sport as much as I do  
We would like to hold more house competitions within school  
to get as many children involved in sport as possible.” –  
Piper**

**“I aspire to make sports at school fun and enjoyable so more  
children will take part in sports outside of school too.” –  
Hettie**

**“I aim to share my enthusiasm towards sport with other  
children.**

**I want as many children as possible to play as many sports  
as possible.” – Olivia B**



# Hallbrook Primary



## Reading:

**“My aim is to try and encourage more children to read and find their love of reading.” – Eliza**

**“I aspire to create a world where children don't feel obliged to read- where reading is not a chore.” – Jacob**

**“I would like to make sure there are books for everyone to enjoy in our school.” – Gracie-Mae**

## Wellbeing:

**“I aspire to promote the wellbeing of the other children in our school. I make sure nobody is lonely and everyone has a positive time at school.” – Amelia**



## Eco:

**“We are focussing on reducing the amount of energy used in order to protect our environment. Some things we are doing include turning lights and computers off when we are not in the classrooms and at the end of the day.**

**We aspire to encourage more wildlife onto our school grounds. We have already been planting flowers in the flowerbeds on our playground to attract more pollinators.”**

**– Amelia**

**“We are aiming for our whole school to become an eco-school so our actions are better for environment” – Molly**

# Cosby Primary



During January, some of our children had the amazing opportunity to attend the Leicester City Football Club tournament, held at Seagrave training ground an experience that lifted their aspirations far beyond the school gates. Taking part in a professionally organised competition allowed them to feel what it is like to perform on a bigger stage, surrounded by the energy, excitement, and expectations of real sporting environments.

They trained hard, represented the school with pride, and discovered that stepping into new challenges can be both exhilarating and empowering. Walking onto pitches used by elite players helped them realise that these spaces are not out of reach – they are places they can aspire to be.

The tournament didn't just develop their football skills; it strengthened their confidence, resilience, and belief that with dedication and teamwork, they can achieve extraordinary things.

Our whole-school Great Athletes event was a truly inspirational day, made even more special by the incredible support of our parents and families. Together, we raised over £4,500 in sponsorship, all of which will go directly towards new sports equipment to benefit every child in the school. This collective effort showed our children what can be achieved when a community works together with purpose and pride. The event itself was elevated even further by the presence of Olympian Joe Roebuck, who led high-energy sessions and shared his journey to the top of his sport.

His stories of perseverance, discipline, and ambition helped the children see that success is built step by step, through commitment and self-belief. The combination of family support, whole-school participation, and Joe's inspiring leadership created a powerful message of aspiration—showing every child that they are surrounded by people who believe in their potential and want to help them thrive. High energy throughout the engaging sessions meant that every child from within the school from Pre-school through to Year 6 felt part of this event when participating with the energetic activities.

A fantastic display of team effort by all.



# Cosby Primary



**Aspiration** was also at the heart of our Let Girls Play initiative during March, which continues to champion equality, confidence, and opportunity for girls in sport—especially football.

We were thrilled to welcome two professional women's footballers into school, who delivered **inspiring** coaching sessions tailored specifically for our girls.

We are fortunate at Cosby Primary to have our own Sports Coach Miss York that played for Leicester City and Peterborough, she continually encourages girls to participate and is a great inspiration for all of our children. Their enthusiasm, expertise, and encouragement created an environment where every girl felt valued, capable, and excited to take part.

The assembly that followed allowed the children to ask questions, hear about the players' journeys, and understand the challenges and triumphs that shaped their careers.

Their stories helped dismiss stereotypes and showed our girls that football is absolutely a space for them – a place where they can thrive, lead, and dream big.

The visit strengthened our commitment to ensuring girls feel **empowered** to participate fully in sport, knowing that their ambitions are valid, important, and achievable.



# Richmond Primary



✘ DON'T LITTER ✘

## Eco Warriors

**Richmond's Eco Warriors showed real aspiration and community spirit during their recent visit to the local area.**

**They inspected the park and nearby streets for litter, working diligently throughout the morning. Although surprised by the amount of litter they found, they stayed motivated and committed to making a positive difference.**

**Back in school, they plan to speak to their classes about the importance of keeping both our school grounds and wider community clean and tidy. They have also chosen to write to the local council to ask what more can be done to improve the area, especially as it forms part of the daily route many of our children use.**

**Their determination to create a cleaner, safer environment truly reflects our Trust value of aspiration.**

# Richmond Primary



**Richmond's School Council is committed to fostering an aspirational school community by committing to**

- **Develop confidence and responsibility, making the most of their abilities.**
- **Prepare them to play an active role as citizens in the wider community.**
- **Develop healthy, safer lifestyles.**
- **To have a 'voice' and to share their opinions and ideas with others.**
- **To develop good relationships with others, show kindness and respect the differences between people.**
- **To listen carefully to others, even though they may not agree**

# Thomas Estley Pre-school



Lilah-Marie is a wonderful example of what it means to aspire to be your best. She consistently makes thoughtful and responsible choices, and always goes that extra step to help others—even when she isn't asked. Lilah demonstrates excellent manners at all times and is a truly supportive and caring friend to everyone around her. Her kindness, positivity, and willingness to go above and beyond make her a fantastic role model. We are incredibly proud of Lilah—she inspires us all to aim high and be the very best versions of ourselves. 😊

**Thomas Estley**

# Pre School

open days

Tue, Wed, Thur 25th - 27th August 10am - 11.30am. No need to book, simply turn up.

Our experienced, passionate team creates a setting where children feel secure, valued and excited to learn every day.

We carefully plan and deliver learning in line with the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), ensuring your child develops key skills for school and life.

Contact 01455 283 263 nsadler@thomasesstley.org.uk

Visit our website - [thomasesstleypreschool.co.uk](http://thomasesstleypreschool.co.uk)

Start the  
Success AT journey  
at one of our Trust  
preschools

# Thomas Estley Learning Alliance

## TELA Continual Professional Development

We have facilitated 28 subject networks this Spring term, many being hosted at TELA learning alliance schools as well as at our TELA base, in addition to our whole school training and external inputs.

This term's focus:  
National subject updates and Ofsted subject reports

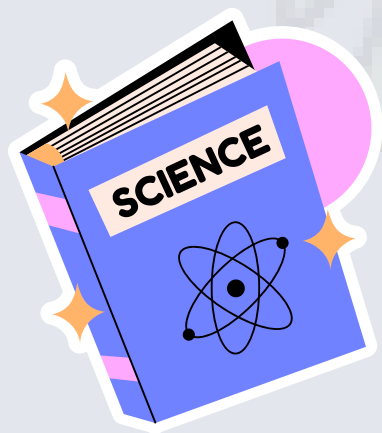
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**TEACHING IS A WORK OF HEART**

## #SuccessTogether

Our internal Trust networks focussed on improving reading and writing, common practices in Maths and SEND, sharing premises expertise across schools, and developing finance, sites, HR and sustainability across our Trust



English



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GEOGRAPHY

# Thomas Estley Learning Alliance – Achieve with TELA news

## Teacher Training Events



Teach Leics Event -  
Curious about teaching  
was held at Loughborough  
Town Hall on Saturday  
28<sup>th</sup> February -  
attended by Rachael



### Birmingham -

“We had a wonderful  
time in Birmingham  
in March,  
meeting so many  
enthusiastic people  
exploring a future in  
teaching- it was truly  
uplifting!”



# TEACHER TRAINING

Have you ever thought about a career as a teacher right here in our community? Teachers have a unique opportunity to shape the futures of young people, inspire them, and help them reach their full potential.

TELA offers fantastic primary and secondary teacher training programmes designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge you need to make a real difference locally. Want to find out more about how to train to be a teacher with TELA? Contact Jo on 01455 283 263 ext 0286 or [tela@thomasestley.org.uk](mailto:tela@thomasestley.org.uk)



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