

Success Academy Trust Newsletter



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**Autumn
2025**



COMMUNITY



**BUILDING
LEADERSHIP AND
CHARACTER
TOGETHER**



Community is at the heart of Success Academy Trust.

Children learn that leadership is not about standing above others, but about serving with kindness, integrity, and courage. They see character modelled every day in how we listen, how we persevere, and how we treat one another with respect. These lessons, quietly lived and consistently reinforced, stay with them far beyond the classroom and into adult life.

Our community ethos aims to nurture confidence in the youngest learners and purpose in our older students, helping each child and young person discover their voice and their responsibility to others.

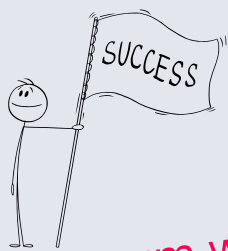
By building leadership and character together, we are shaping not only successful learners, but compassionate, resilient young people ready to contribute positively to the world. Together, our community is building a future full of promise.

Reading about the contribution of our learners to their own schools, to the wider Trust community and into the communities in which they are located, there is plenty to inspire and celebrate. I hope you enjoy reading about their achievements too, and I wish you a peaceful and restful Christmas period.

Mandi Collins, Trust Leader



Collaborating for Success and Building Pupil Leadership



This term we launched our SAT Art competition for children of all ages 2-16 year olds. The winners will have their artwork made into a composite canvas for display in each Trust school.

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Masterclasses – Learning Beyond the Classroom!
This term, our secondary school, TECC, has been buzzing with creativity and collaboration as their student leaders took the reins to host a series of exciting Primary Masterclasses. From Art and Cooking to RE, English, and Business/Enterprise, these sessions were designed to spark curiosity, build confidence, and develop practical skills - all while having a great time!

LEADERSHIP

Leadership in Action – Passports to Success!

This year, our schools are buzzing with excitement as we launch the Pupil Leadership Passports and a whole host of leadership projects! These opportunities empower pupils to take the lead, make a difference, and shine in areas they love.

From Wellbeing Ambassadors spreading positivity, to Reading Leaders inspiring a love of books, and Sports Leaders championing teamwork and fitness—there's something for everyone! Plus, with a wealth of subject-based and interest-based roles, pupils can explore passions, develop skills, and grow as confident leaders.

We can't wait to see the amazing ideas and initiatives our young leaders bring to life this year. Watch this space for updates and success stories!

Cosby - PGL trips and welly walks



Richmond - children interview historical visitors



TECC - students host Open College Evening, teach Italian and win national SSAT awards



**Hallbrook - Table Tennis tournament winners!!
"We do the best we can"**

**so proud
of
You**

At Thomas Estley Community College, we have been working hard to improve the learning environment for our children and community, with limited funding available, over a period of years.. Recent years have seen us institute measures around flooding prevention and control, fence the site to support safeguarding and prevent nighttime anti-social behaviour, and source funding to replace our crumbling mobiles with a safe, well presented new humanities block, as well as investing to improve our Preschool and Oaks gardens, and other areas. We have also been delighted to donate our site to the community at no charge for the Broughton Astley Carnival, for the Remembrance Parade, and for local cadet base provision, as we put our community at the heart of our provision.



We would like to appeal to our wider community for adult volunteers and donations in order to further develop our college outdoors environment. If you have some spare time and love gardening or building planters, or if you have some materials or resources, or even ideas around building sustainability that you could share with us, we would be delighted to hear from you. We love to invite the community in and to work together for the benefit of all.

If you are able to donate any time, resources, or ideas to our vision of further improving the environment sustainably for our children and the wider community, please email PAtothePrincipal@thomasestley.org.uk



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At Thomas Estley Community College

*Together,
We make a
Difference*



It was lovely to take some of our Thomas Estley students to Arkwright House this term and for the residents to visit TECC in December.

They have created some painted plant pots, played board games and more recently joined the TECC family for mince pies and a visit from Santa.

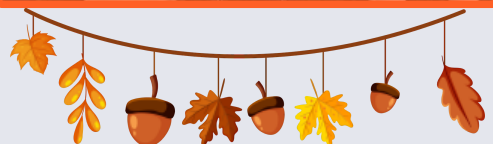


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At Thomas Estley Community College



Well done to the Thomas Estley ADT Club who all worked really hard, designing and hand making ***Pumpkinton & Gretchen*** for the Amberwood Scarecrow Festival which was held in October. We were lucky that they didn't blow away! The residents and local people absolutely loved them.





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at Cosby Primary



Celebrating Active Travel!

Well done to everyone who took part in the
Active Travel Big Walk to School!

It was fantastic to see so many pupils and
families promoting walking, cycling, and
scooting as fun and healthy ways to
get to school.

Their enthusiasm and commitment to
sustainable travel made a real impact –
thank you for helping build a more active
and environmentally
friendly school community.



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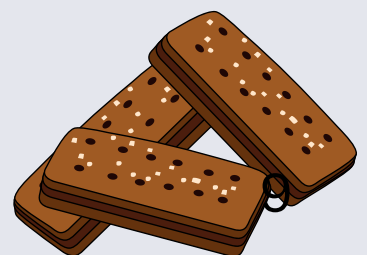
at Cosby Primary



Book and Biscuit Event!

A heartfelt thank you to all the families who joined Cosby Primary for the Book and Biscuit event in October.

It was wonderful to see so many familiar faces, and the children were absolutely thrilled to share their reading skills. Their support means the world to them and plays a vital role in fostering a love of reading in their school community.



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at Hallbrook Primary



Hallbrook have been continuing to explore their school value of “I am free to be me and for you to be you,” by looking at people who represent this in our local community.

Maxine, who

was part of the 1972 England Squad, came into to speak to the school about being award an England cap 40 years after playing as the women’s team were not originally recognised.

We had some very excited girls desperate to try on an England cap and, as current county champions and through to the county championship this year, maybe it will not be the last England cap that some of them try on!



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at Hallbrook Primary



Hallbrook Primary Christmas Fayre – What a Fantastic Day!

Our Christmas Fayre on Wednesday, 3rd December was an incredible success! The school was filled with festive cheer as families, staff, and friends came together to celebrate the season. From beautifully decorated stalls to exciting raffle prizes, there was something for everyone to enjoy.

The atmosphere was buzzing with laughter and joy, and it was wonderful to see so many people supporting the event. A huge thank you to everyone who contributed – whether by running a stall, donating prizes, or simply coming along to join in the fun. Your support made the day truly special.

Events like these remind us of the strength of our community and the magic of Christmas. We can't wait to do it all again next year!



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at Richmond Primary



Richmond Pre-Loved Uniform Event – *Supporting Our School Community!*

Richmond was excited to host a Pre-Loved School Uniform Event to support families in their community.

This initiative helps make school essentials more accessible while promoting sustainability.

We welcome donations of gently used uniforms in clean and good condition. Whether you're looking to donate or pick up items, your participation makes a difference!

Let's come together to support one another and reduce waste - thank you for being part of this wonderful effort!



Available through their PTA – a donation/swap is gratefully received. If you would like any further information regarding uniform please contact the school office.



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at Richmond Primary



A Foodbank 'Thank You' for Your Generosity

Richmond Primary paid a huge thank you to everyone who was able to contribute to their Harvest collection for Hinckley Area Foodbank. Their donations will make a real difference to families in their local community who need support.

Together, they've shown the power of kindness and care - thank you for helping to help others!



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At Thomas Estley Pre-school



Our pre-schoolers performed to the residents of Arkwright House singing their favourite Christmas songs. They also received a Christmas treat with a visit from Santa himself. All generations had a fabulous morning.

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at Thomas Estley Out Of School Club



We're incredibly proud of two of our children who joined the Cubs and Beavers in spreading festive cheer around the village as part of the Santa Sleigh charity collection.

Their efforts helped raise funds for local causes while bringing smiles to everyone along the route.

It's wonderful to see our young people giving back to the community and embracing the true spirit of Christmas!

Staff supporting the **COMMUNITY**

Our very own Phil Burton – Trust Operations and Business
Lead runs the local Broughton Astley Scouts group



TELA Continual Professional Development

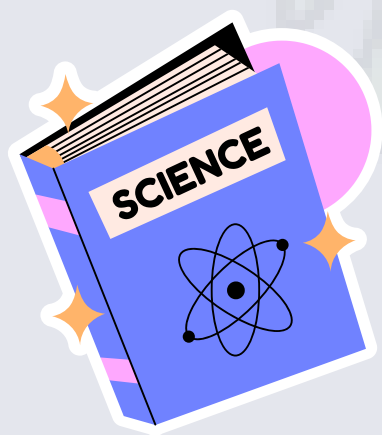
We have facilitated 23 subject networks this term, many being hosted at TELA learning alliance schools as well as at our TELA base, in addition to our whole school training and external inputs.

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

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**TEACHING IS A
WORK OF HEART**

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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



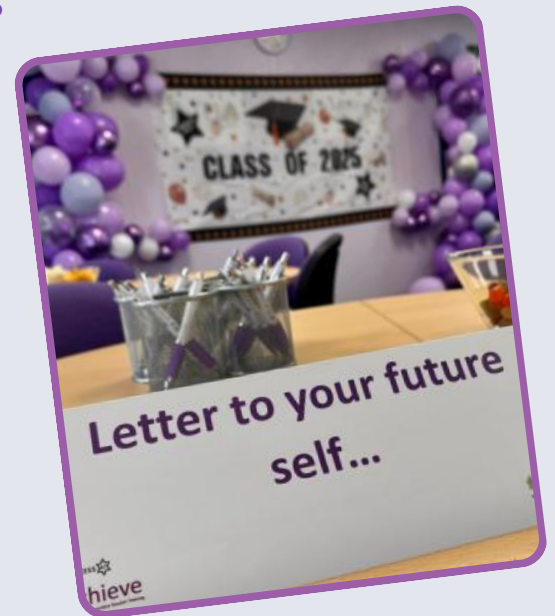
Thomas Estley Learning Alliance – Achieve with TELA news

A Summer Reflection That Still Inspires

Back in the summer, our 2024/25 trainee cohort - now fully qualified teachers making a difference in classrooms across Leicestershire and Warwickshire - took part in a unique activity. Each wrote a heartfelt letter to their future selves, knowing there might come a day when they'd need a reminder of why they chose teaching.

As they step into their first year of teaching, those messages serve as a personal anchor, reminding them of the joy and impact that inspired their journey.

Here's to our incredible new teachers - thank you for bringing your energy, creativity, and commitment to the profession!



Festive fun!
An enjoyable evening with some of our primary and secondary trainees in December. Listening to their stories and training progress whilst enjoying a scrummy festive meal.



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



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Thank you



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