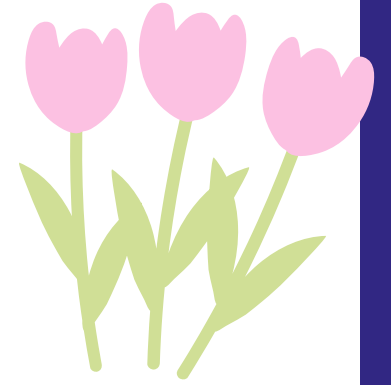




## Sharon Mullins

Trust Leader

I recently visited one of our schools who were making Easter cards for local residents. It allowed me to reflect on all the positive contributions we make to our local communities and the difference this can make as part of our civic duty and idea of 'service'. Giving back in this way is a key part of who we are at Embrace through collaboration, respect and compassion.



We are proud of the way we work closely with our communities. Our schools serve their own local community and building strong links in this way is part of our civic duty enabling our schools to support and work closely with local groups, charities and as part of events.

Our children and young people gain great experience from serving and supporting in this way and our schools have been busy with a wide variety of events including an art project, sporting and musical events.

As the summer term approaches, along with exams and next steps, it is important to remember to take the time to rest too and, with this in mind, I would like to wish you all a good Easter break.

# Spotlight



Gill Bray has been the school secretary at St Peter's Whetstone for more than 25 years.



Gill is usually the first person visitors come into contact with at the school and always reflects its warm, caring, and supportive environment.

As part of her role, Gill looks after admissions, attendance, school dinners and sets up day and residential trips, some of which she has attended herself, which was a real treat!

Outside of school, Gill enjoys being with her family, friends, her dog Chester and her four grandchildren. She has a passion for open water swimming and skiing, and she always strives to cook from scratch, even making her own bread, jam and yogurt!





## Arnesby

Courage Class recently participated in a Tag Rugby Megafest, taking part in a range of skill-building games before competing in tag rugby matches against other local schools.



Here's what Myla had to say: "It was lots of fun because we got to show other schools our amazing skills! Courage Class were great. We won all the games and Morgan and Theo made some impressive runs"



## Brockington



Our Annual Open Mic Night was an incredible evening showcasing the amazing talent of our students!

With 19 incredible acts, our performers put in hours of practice to bring us a fantastic night of music, singing, and entertainment.

A huge well done to everyone who took part!





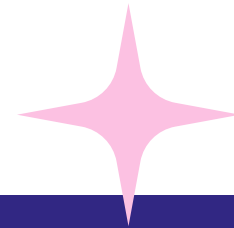


## Croft



Some of our KS2 children recently took part in Young Voices; the world's largest children's choir concert!

By taking part, our pupils rehearsed and performed a diverse selection of songs alongside thousands of other children, entertaining parents and friends at the BP Pulse arena in Birmingham!



## Huncote

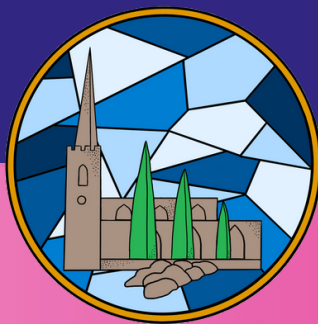


We are thrilled to announce the unveiling of our new Preschool and EYFS outdoor areas!



During our grand opening ceremony, our children were delighted by a surprise visit from Spiderman. They sang songs and recited poems in celebration and presented thank you cards to Embrace!





## Manorfield

Our school choir recently attended a special Dementia Cafe event dedicated to the memory of Mr James Masers. The children sang wonderfully and had a great time dancing and conversing with the guests.

We are incredibly proud of our pupils; they showed courage by stepping out of their comfort zones to engage with new people!



## Rawlins



Our Year 8 students are teaming up with All Saints Church to create stunning artwork inspired by Christian saints and modern-day heroes.

During RS lessons, pupils are exploring inspirational figures like Irena Sendler, before bringing their ideas to life in Art.

Selected pieces will be exhibited at All Saints Church on 14–15 June 2025!





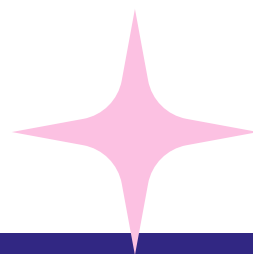


## Sherrier



Congratulations to Arnie, who recently competed in the semi-finals of a local Junior Chef competition and secured first place!

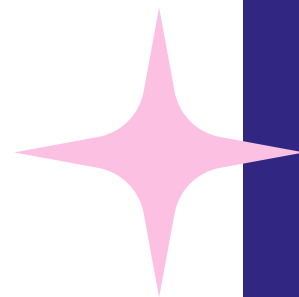
He impressed the judges with his creative Mexican menu and has now advanced to the finals in June and will proudly represent Lutterworth!



## St Peter's Market Bosworth



Our Sportshall Athletics Team recently represented Hinckley and Bosworth in the Sportshall County Finals!



They emerged as overall winners and claimed first place, receiving the 2025 winner's trophy and each member being awarded a gold medal!







## St Peter's

Whetstone



We're excited to introduce our newest member of staff, Mr Pedro, who has adapted remarkably well to his role!

Studies have shown that the presence of animals can improve the well-being of children, lower the rate of anxiety and benefit the children's social and emotional development.



## Swinford

Our Pupil Voice groups have been hard at work!

The Church School Group organised the Easter Service, while the Sports and Wellbeing Group led a Collective Worship on wellbeing and hosted a house football competition! The Learning Group planned World Book Day activities, and the Social Action Group organised the Easter Disco, raising funds for Bloodwise, a charity for cancer research.



## Racism

As we continue to focus on this year's safeguarding theme of racism and radicalisation, we request parents support with this at home.

Addressing racism is crucial for fostering a respectful and inclusive environment.

Parents/carers can start by supporting children in their understanding of the history and impact of racism. Encourage open conversations where children feel safe to express their thoughts and ask questions. Discussing the value of diversity and the importance of treating everyone equally, regardless of their background as well as challenging stereotypes and prejudices, helps promote critical thinking and empathy.

The Premier League's "No Room for Racism" campaign is a powerful example of efforts to combat racism at a national level. This initiative works with clubs, fans, and organisations to promote equality, diversity, and inclusion in football. The Premier League's action plan includes educational programs in schools to help children understand and combat racism.



## Racism

National policies and initiatives aim to address systemic racism and promote equity across various sectors.

For more resources to support your child/ren in their understanding of this crucial topic please see



**NSPCC**



**Premier  
League**

**YOUNGMINDS**

**SHOW  
RACISM  
THE  
RED  
CARD**



## Year 6 Online Safety Project

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland has launched an innovative Virtual Reality project called "First Phone: Keeping Children Safe Online." This initiative offers a fantastic opportunity for our pupils to learn about online safety through immersive VR experiences.

Developed in collaboration with the Violence Reduction Network (VRN) and other partners, the project includes a six-minute VR film and a comprehensive educational program aligned with the PSHE curriculum. The film and accompanying sessions help children understand the risks of social media, cyberbullying, and the impact of algorithms, while encouraging open communication with parents and caregivers.

We are thrilled to roll out this project with our Year 6 children, providing them with an engaging and impactful way to stay safe online.

find out more





## Trust Strategy Session

Members of our Executive Team, Headteachers and Chairs of Governors from all Embrace schools, and Trustees gathered earlier this month for a strategy session to evaluate the Embrace Strategic Plan and establish our trust priorities for the next three years.

This session proved to be highly beneficial, as all stakeholders collaborated to discuss progress and explore ways to enhance support for our pupils and staff.



## Join us

We have a range of job opportunities available within our trust! To join us, and to find out more, please visit

