

October 2025 Edition

Featured Story

LIBERTY BLESSING EVENT!

In order to celebrate our new school name -Liberty Academy - we hosted a very special Blessing Event which took place in the school theatre on 23rd September 2025.



For two weeks preceding this event, 47 students were involved in creating a large sculpture of a dove, facilitated by local artist and Christian, Liz Dorton. As part of tutor-led Collective Worship, all students and staff were invited to create an individual feather for our dove, who is now hanging proudly in our Academy reception!

On the day of our Blessing Event, we were delighted to welcome a very special guest: The Bishop of



Hull, the Right Reverend Eleanor Sanderson. Reverend Eleanor blessed our Academy name and also blessed a small wooden cross for each student to take home - you may have seen these coming home with your children!



The event also included a blessing from Ava H (year 9), a poem reading by Tilly B (year 8), an introduction to our new Student

Leaders and very proud and emotional words from our new Principal and Executive Principal, Mrs Beasley and Mr Mulqueen.

Many students attended the event in the theatre, with hundreds more joining virtually from their classrooms. One Year 11 student at the event said: 'I really felt something when we were in the theatre. It was like I now really understand what we are. The Blessing Event marks a hopeful and exciting new era for our Academy.'





Upcoming Events

Y11 Revision Evening: Wednesday 8th October 2025.

Y10 Parents' Evening: Thursday 13th November 2025.

The Parent Council

The Parent Council is a fantastic and very dedicated group of volunteers who work extremely hard all year round in collaboration with the school to provide a variety of opportunities for the whole community. These wonderful events would not be possible without them and they would be really grateful to anyone that can offer a small amount of their time to help out, if possible!

Therefore, if you are interested in joining the Parent Council then please see this link for more information - we would love for you to join us!

After the huge successes of our recent termly community events, the Parent Council are busy planning our next event:

The Liberty Community Christmas Fair! This is pencilled in for Thursday 4th December 2025, so please save the date!

Attendance & Rewards

If your child is not attending school it is imperative that you alert the school in advance. The easiest way to do this is via email on: lib.attendance@hlt.academy

The Thrive Directory of Services has been developed by Hull City Council and partners to provide support for children, young people and families emotional health and well being. There is a link on the school website under the attendance section.

There is a direct link between attendance and outcomes at the end of school. The more you attend the better your outcomes will be.

Enrichment

Please click on <u>this link</u> to access our website page that explains our Enrichment Offer.

A key part of our enrichment offer is our extended-enrichment clubs and activities timetable, which can be viewed here.

Please encourage your children to attend as many of these clubs as they wish!



PSHE

In PSHE lessons this half term:

Year 7 students are focussing on how best to adjust to life at secondary school, with lessons that look at navigating friendships and mental health and self esteem with a British Value focus on Mutual Respect and Tolerance.

Year 8 pupils will focus on how to keep themselves safe online and stay resilient in an online world with a British Values focus on Individual Liberty.

Year 9 students are studying all things 'Rule of Law' including lessons on anti social behaviour and its consequences and the risks and dangers of gang activity.

Year 10 continues the spotlight on the British Value of the Rule of Law with lessons on drugs and their dangers with an aim to improve their knowledge of the law around drug possession and distribution.

Year 11 are focussing on their Individual Liberty and how to keep themselves safe and healthy with lessons including self examination, CPR and fertility.

Careers

Business in Focus:

Some Year 10 students took part in a Business in Focus workshop organised by IntoUniversity, which gave them a glimpse into what it feels like to work in a corporate environment, including meeting deadlines, designing merchandise, presenting their ideas in the format of boardroom meetings, and even performing a concert! The students were absolutely fantastic and showed great leadership and teamwork skills.





Student Voice Project:

We are proud to announce the appointment of two Careers Ambassadors as part of the Student Voice Project, led by Hull and East Yorkshire Business, Growth and Skills Hub.

The Careers Ambassadors will represent the academy on behalf of their peers, focusing specifically on gathering student views about careers. These insights will be shared at dedicated meetings, ensuring that young people's perspectives play a central role in shaping future



opportunities and career pathways across the region.

Throughout the programme, participants will also develop essential skills including teamwork, presentation, public speaking, and debating. At its conclusion, students will have the opportunity to engage directly with some of the region's leading employers, offering them an exclusive chance to network and learn more about future career pathways.

In addition, a professional report capturing the insights and outcomes of the project will be produced and shared across schools throughout the city, ensuring that the perspectives of students contribute to wider educational and employment initiatives.

We are delighted to announce that our Careers Ambassadors are Victoria S and Alfie H!

Congratulations to both students on their selection, and we look forward to seeing the valuable contributions they will make as part of this programme.

Year 9 Students Step into a 'Bad Ward' at Castle Hill Hospital!

Some of our Year 9 students got hands-on experience at Castle Hill Hospital with a fun and eye-opening 'Bad Ward' simulation! They explored what it's like to work in a busy hospital and discovered the variety of roles that keep everything running smoothly.

The students had a brilliant time, asking lots of curious and clever questions, and came away with a real insight into the world of healthcare.





Quality of Education

We have recently launched a brand new revision platform for Maths and Science called SPARX.

Every week, children in all year groups have 1 hour of homework set for Maths and 1 hour for Science. The due date each week is 8am on Wednesdays.

Please support your child in completing this important homework. If you require help with login details, please contact Miss Angell in Science or Mr Davison in Maths. Thank you!

Safeguarding

Safeguarding Support:

Please share with your children that if they are getting on a bus and feel vulnerable or need help, they should just ask the driver for "ANGEL STREET". The driver will know that they need help and will then act accordingly.



Safeguarding Links:

Here are some useful links for parents/carers offering advice on how to add safety settings and block/report social media:

CEOP Education: Parents and carers | CEOP

Education

The Online Safety Centre: The Online Safety

Centre | OSC

NSPCC's excellent advice: Keeping children safe

online I NSPCC

General advice: Get online safety advice by age,

apps and activity | Internet Matters

The Safeguarding Team uses the Thrive referral route and wanted to make the community aware that parents and children can also access support needed themselves by using the info below:



Links to local food bank to get food vouchers <u>www.trussell.org.uk</u>

www.familyfundservices.co.uk/emergency-essentials

Freedom centre/ purple house and acorns family centre have EMS family fridges where you can buy ready cooked meals for a family of four for £3 OR community shop at Endeavour Crescent where

they can make a donation to take items they need from the shop website for this is https://www.emsvorkshire.co.uk/

Reporting a Concern

If you have a concern about a student or anyone else in our school community please report it.

Mrs Drinkall is the Designated Safeguarding Lead. She is available by contacting the main school telephone number on 01482 781912 or via the following email address: childprotection@lib.hlt.academy





Whisper

If you'd like to report an anonymous safeguarding issue or you have concerns related to mental health, you can do so by visiting the following web link: https://swgfl.org.uk/whisper/asa1/

Alternatively, you can text 07860021323 and start the message with 'ASA1' to send anonymously.

How to Get in Touch

Telephone: 01482 781912

Email: hello@lib.hlt.academy

Effective communications between home and school are of paramount importance to ensure that all students have the very best care and education possible. Therefore, in order to ensure these are as effective as possible, please can we politely remind parents/carers that they must phone reception to book meetings with staff. Please do not turn up hoping to be seen immediately because, as I am sure you will understand, this is not always possible.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding with this matter.

Helpful Links

- Enrichment Offer
- Extended-Enrichment Timetable
- Food Menus