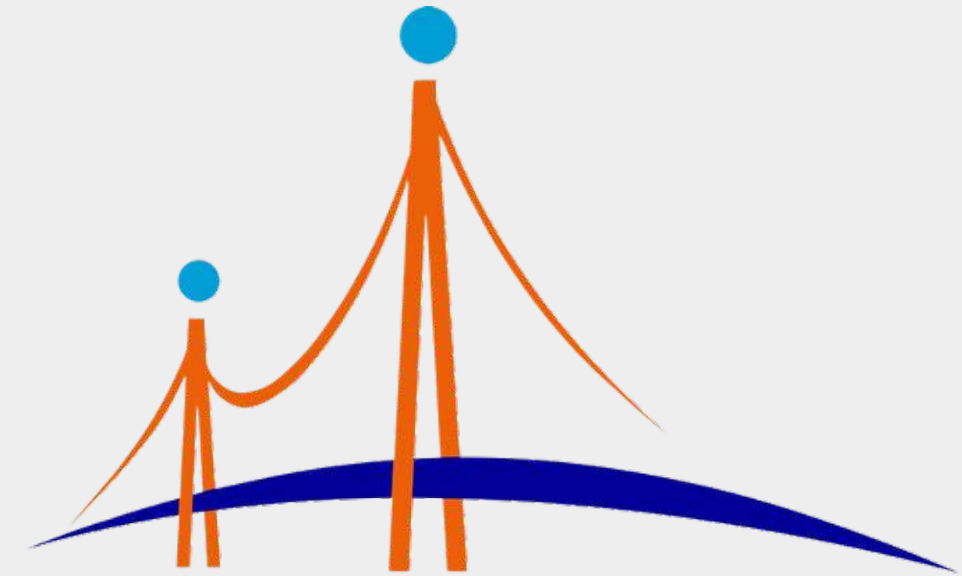


Half Term

Highlights

Edition 4 - July 2025



HumberEducationTrust

Working together collectively and collaboratively as one Trust to make a difference; where everybody counts, every moment matters.

Welcome to the fourth edition of our Half Term Highlights. It's hard to believe we're approaching the summer holidays, it feels like only yesterday we were welcoming in the new academic year 2024–2025!

This year has been incredibly busy but also deeply rewarding. To reflect all the amazing things that have taken place, this edition of our highlights has been expanded, which is testament to all the fantastic work happening across our communities. I remain immensely proud of the offer and opportunities we provide to our children, young people and their families; the impact of the work you do is truly inspiring.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and commitment. Together, we are making a real difference to the lives of every child and young person in our care; that's something we can all be proud of! A heartfelt thank you also to the staff working all year round for keeping everything running smoothly behind the scenes during the summer break; your dedication ensures our operations stay on track and will set us up for an impactful and successful start to the new academic year.

As we head into the summer break, I hope everyone takes the chance to rest, recharge and enjoy meaningful time with loved ones - you've earned it!

Rachel Wilkes, CEO



Fascinating facts about our Trust!

We have held 9 Trust wide meetings and training events this half term

Tuesdays have the highest attendance in our Special Schools, while Wednesdays and Thursdays (jointly) see the highest attendance in our Primary Schools

We have had 472 estates and facilities maintenance visits this academic year

We have trained over 30 Early Career Teachers this academic year

We have invested £682,000 from our Apprenticeship Levy pot to support the professional development of 81 staff members (since 2024)

We have participated in 3,614 trips, visits and events this academic year

Across the Trust we have participated in:

- A colour run
- Duke of Edinburgh Awards
- Eid
- Graduations
- Hull Children's University For Entrepreneurs Only (FEO) Event
- Leavers assemblies and events
- Morpurgo Celebration Day
- Music lessons & concerts
- Picnics
- Proms
- Race for Life and sponsored walks
- Residential trips including outdoor activities
- Sports Days
- Sporting events (archery, athletics, bowling, cricket, fencing, football, orienteering and netball)
- Swimming lessons
- Summer Fayres and Festivals
- Talent Shows
- Transition events



We have welcomed visits from:

- CreACTIVE
- Emma Hardy MP
- First Step Sports
- Flex Dance
- Great Coates in Bloom
- Helen Rutter, Author
- Hull Kingston Rovers
- Humberside Fire and Rescue
- Humberside Police and PSCOs
- IntoUniversity
- Local businesses to support with mock interviews
- Lucy Brandt, Author (virtually)
- National Literacy Trust
- Neil Hudgell
- Roary the Tiger
- Safer Roads Humber
- Skills 4 Bills
- Tigers Trust
- ZooLab (with their animals)



Our children and staff have visited:

- Bridlington and Bridlington Animal Park
- Burton Constable Hall
- Carr House Farm
- Castleton
- Cleethorpes Academy
- Connexin Live
- East Hull Farm
- East Park
- Eden Camp
- Edinburgh
- Eureka Museum
- Flamingo Land Resort
- Garrowby Estate
- Hollywood Bowl
- Hull, Ferens Art Gallery and Streetlife Museum
- Hull and East Riding Museum
- Lincolnshire Wolds
- London, The National History Museum and Science Museum
- Magna
- Messingham Farm and Zoo
- MKM Stadium
- Pink Pig Farm
- Raywell
- Rock Up
- The Challenge Cup
- The Deep
- The Freedom Centre
- Williams Den
- Yorkshire Wildlife Park
- Yorkshire Wolds



We have supported our communities:

- Bursar Primary attended a coffee morning at a local church and blew the congregation away with their singing!
- Cambridge Park donated goods to the Rock Foundation Team for their foodbanks
- Clifton Primary are now part of the mini Police, helping out and visiting their community
- Ganton School pupils held their first enterprise workshops with primary pupils from St Thomas More VC Academy
- Woodland Primary decorated an electricity substation as part of an exciting project on the Holderness Drain, to create a Wildlife Corridor:

[Story here](#)



We have worked collaboratively:

- Ganton School's Chop & Change initiative served up a fabulous lunch: [Story here](#)
- Delivering tailored safeguarding training to Alpha Academies Trust
- Hosting Solihull training at Parkstone and St Nicholas Primaries
- Our work on the Teacher Development Programme was recognised nationally by the Confederation of School Trusts: [Story here](#)
- Hosting Designated Safeguarding Lead training
- Speaking at The Education Exchange's Let's Talk SEND Conference on the importance of inclusion in schools
- Working with Hull Collaborative Academy Trust to develop writing
- Cambridge Park pupils helped interview for the Deputy Service Manager - SEND at North East Lincolnshire Council: [Facebook story here](#)
- Hosting our second SEND Conference in Hull: [Story here](#)
- Rachel Wilkes, CEO, spoke at the MATPN Conference about how inclusive practices can drive meaningful and lasting change across multi-academy trusts: [Details here](#)
- Hosting sharing best practice events for writing
- Children from Maybury Primary School's brass band took part in the City of Hull Youth Band Day: [Facebook story here](#)
- Undertaking school improvement visits to look at SEND, safeguarding, behaviour and attendance





Willowfield Academy finally given the green light!



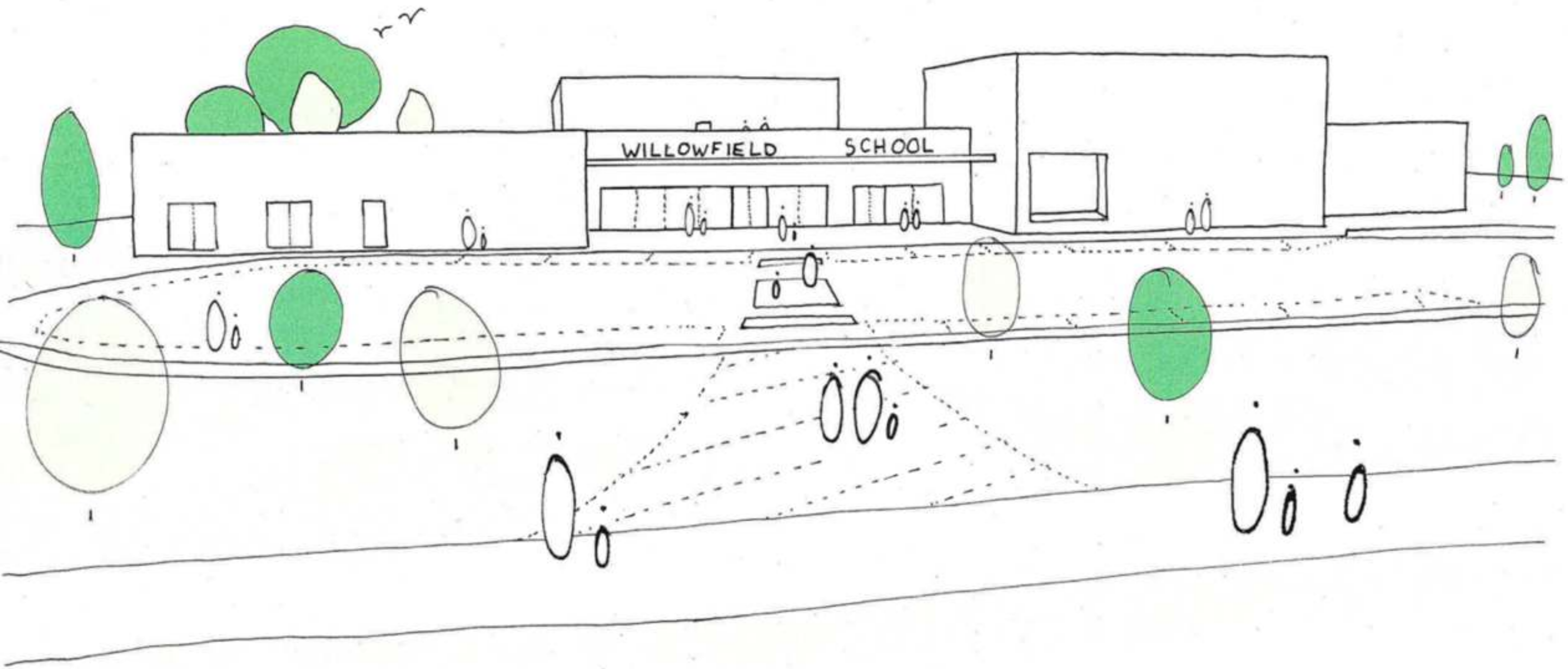
Originally announced in 2019, the Willowfield Academy Free School project was subsequently placed on hold by the Government. Since then, ongoing negotiations with the Department for Education (DfE) have been taking place in an effort to move the project forward.

We are now pleased to share that the Government, in partnership with Hull City Council, has confirmed that the new Willowfield Academy will be built! The new Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) school will be located off Inglemire Lane in Hull, sharing a site with Frederick Holmes School and will provide 125 places for children and young people aged 4 to 19 with severe learning disabilities (SLD).

Willowfield Academy will help meet the growing demand for specialist education in the city and will hopefully ease some of the pressure on Hull's existing SEND provision. This is fantastic news for Hull and represents a much-needed investment in our community.

Construction is set to begin next year, with the completion date yet to be confirmed; we will keep you updated as the project progresses. In the meantime, below is an artist's impression of the school.

A huge thank you to everyone who has worked so hard to bring this important project to life. Stay tuned for further updates!



A league of their own: HET's Mainstream Football

Event is a triumph!

On Friday, 13 primary schools from across the Trust came together for the first Humber Education Trust Mainstream Primary Football Tournament at the Tigers Trust Arena in Hull. The atmosphere was buzzing as over 100 children took to the pitch, representing their schools with pride and enthusiasm.

It was heartening to see every mainstream school represented and so many parents and families showing their support on the sidelines. The event kicked off with a round-robin format, giving all teams a chance to play before the top 4 progressed to the semi-finals.

The competition was fierce but friendly, showcasing not just skill but great teamwork and sportsmanship. After a gripping final, Adelaide Primary School emerged as the overall winners by a penalty shoot out, with Kingswood Parks Primary School securing a very close second place and Neasden Primary School finishing strong in third.

Two special awards were also presented on the day. Cohen was recognised for outstanding sporting values, as nominated by teachers and was awarded a football in celebration of his positive attitude and sportsmanship. Joseph was named Player of the Match and was thrilled to receive a football of his own in recognition of his performance. Both children looked over the moon with their awards!

Event organiser, Sam Morgan, expressed his gratitude to everyone who contributed: "It was wonderful to see all of our mainstream primaries coming together for such an inclusive and fun event, building our children's confidence and team skills. I'm already thinking of ideas for the next event!"

Rachel Wilkes, CEO, praised the collaboration and impact of the event: "Events like this are a fundamental part of our work as a Trust community – where everybody counts and every moment matters. It is wonderful to see the collaboration between our schools and the fun had by the children. Well done to everyone involved and a big congratulations to all the children who took part, who were an absolute credit to their schools. I would also like to pay a special thanks to Sam Morgan, his team, the staff involved and the Tigers Trust, without whom the event would not have been possible."

What an excellent afternoon – key highlights have been included in the video below!



[LinkedIn video here](#)



Another year of **Spectacular** SATs results!

We are thrilled to share another successful year of SATs outcomes across our Trust. These results are a powerful reflection of the tireless dedication of our teaching and support staff and the incredible resilience and determination of our pupils. This is a remarkable achievement and a testament to our ongoing mission: to ensure that every child succeeds, achieves and takes pride in themselves and others - with a good dose of laughter and fun along the way!

We're very proud to have eradicated the attainment gap in reading, writing and maths (RWM combined) for our disadvantaged pupils - for the second year in a row (based on 2024 national averages).

The DfE has yet to release the 2025 MAT level data; however, based on last year's benchmarks, our outcomes would have placed us 5th nationally amongst large Trusts.

Our performance remains well above the provisional 2025 national averages across all key measures.

Despite these fantastic results, we know there is still work to do. It's a responsibility we take seriously, and one we will continue to meet with energy, ambition and care - working together collectively and collaboratively as one trust to make a difference; **where everybody counts, every moment matters.**



Thank you - for all that you do to help deliver a first-class standard of education for every child in our care.



Photos from our Residential Trips



Photos from our Sports Days



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Photos from our Proms



Our other highlights:

We will be introducing HET staff long term service awards from Autumn 2025

Adelaide Primary won the best business idea at the Children's University FEO event - whoop!



You can watch Christopher Pickering Primary's Year 5 clarinet concert: [Video on X here](#)



St Nicholas Primary hosted a Thrive Coffee morning with a range of stalls/agencies exhibiting - it was a real success!

Many of our schools held their own school productions - hats off to you all!

Several schools were fortunate enough to see The Challenge Cup as part of the trophy tour!



Ganton School held their own 'At the seaside' art exhibition which went down a storm!



Our other highlights:

Clifton Primary Year 6 pupils observed a minute's silence to pay tribute to the late Liverpool star, Diogo Jota

Broadacre Primary and Neasden Primary have the WOW factor:
[Story here](#)



Roary from Hull City Tigers came to visit Bude Park Primary:
[Story here](#)



Kingswood Parks Primary are Hull Active Schools award winners - Panathlon Team of the Year and Advancing Netball Team of the Year - wow!

Adelaide Primary were kindly gifted environmentally themed books from the National Literacy Trust

Tweendykes School are School Games Award winners for Key Stage 2 and were part of a presentation ceremony - well done!

Christopher Pickering Primary have produced a fantastic, feel good, school video: [X video here](#)



Neasden Primary held a whole school flash mob:
[X video here](#)

Maybury Primary pupils performed the Nutcracker in Hull's Gotta Dance Show:
[Facebook video here](#)



Our other highlights:

Tweendykes School have been awarded a Silver Rights Respecting School Award by UNICEF UK: [Story here](#)



Year 5 children from Bursar Primary represented their school at the 'Maths Challenge' hosted by Cleethorpes Academy and achieved 2nd and 4th place - well done!



Neasden Primary received a cheque for £330 from the Stephen Hughes Sports Development Grant - how amazing!

Bude Park Primary children had their illustrations published in a book! [Story here](#)

St Nicholas Primary Foundation Stage 2 children had fun cooling down in the hot weather: [Bluesky video here](#)

Neasden Primary is prominently featured in the new UK Parliament Education Visits promotional video: [Video here](#)

Cambridge Park have produced a really moving video for their leavers: [Facebook video here](#)



Parkstone Primary Girls' footballers are keenly following the progress of the England Lionesses in the Euros 2025!

You can follow us on the following platforms to keep up to date with news across the Trust:



[Bluesky](#)



[Facebook](#)

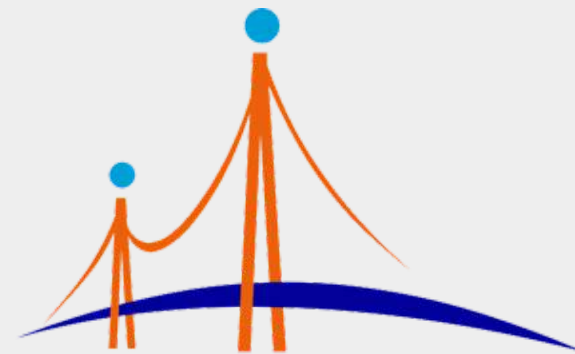


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