



# Hawthorn Community Primary School



## Weekly Newsletter 29/03/18



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I would like to begin by saying a huge "well done" to all of the key stage 2 choir members who accompanied Mrs Hill to this year's regional Music for Youth celebrations at Northampton School for Boys last Sunday. I was so disappointed to miss the event, but I have been told that the children performed beautifully and were a credit to the school. We hope that their efforts will be rewarded during the summer term with them once again being invited to perform at the National Music for Youth Festival in Birmingham.

It is always lovely to hear about what the children from Hawthorn are doing out of school, and I was very pleased to be told about how well one of our year 4 children, did when he was asked to take part in a church service last Sunday. Alfie read part of 'The Passion' at church, taking on the role of Judas, and I have been told that the congregation was very impressed with how confidently he read. Well done, Alfie.

We were so disappointed that, on Wednesday morning, the weather put a dampener on our intentions for the EYFS and KS1 children to process around the local streets wearing their spring hats. Instead, the celebration was hastily relocated to the school hall, where the children were able to show off their beautiful headwear and sing their spring songs to the parents and friends who were able to attend. It was lovely to see the school hall so full, and we were all very impressed with the creativity of designs for spring hats that was on display. We hope that next year the weather will be a little kinder to us and we will be able to undertake the procession around the local streets, celebrating the coming of spring with our local community.

Once again this week we have been taking some of the children's learning outside of the classroom. On Monday Willows class went on their walk down to Slade Brook to supplement what they had been learning about in class. Then today, our key stage 1 children have enjoyed an Easter Egg hunt on the playground. The children were asked to hunt out the letters hidden on Easter eggs and then rearrange the letters that they had found to make different words.

This week we have also introduced our 'Golden Mile' initiative. This is a nationwide programme that is designed to make children more active. Each week the children will be asked to walk, or run, a mile by completing 4 laps of the school playground area. Although some of the children found this a little tiring, we hope that over the coming weeks we will see their fitness and stamina improving and that this will have a positive impact on their concentration during lessons.

Finally I would like to thank everyone who donated to the sports relief collection that we held last Friday. A grand total of £226.20 was raised for the appeal. Thank you.

House Points for last Term		
	Weekly total	Termly total
<b>Rockingham</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>686</b>
<b>Salcey</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>655</b>
<b>Sherwood</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>685</b>
<b>Thefford</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>656</b>

**Well done to everyone in  
Thefford this week.**

**This term's champions are:  
ROCKINGHAM**

## Hawthorn PFA

Thank you for your continued support this term.

Upcoming events next term include:

**Wednesday 18th April: PFA meeting @ 7pm** in the school community room; (please feel free to join us and help with some new fundraising ideas);

**Friday 20th April: Cake Sale - Pears, Apples and Cherries classes;**

**Friday 20th April: Second hand uniform sale - come and grab a bargain or two.**

**Saturday 7th July: Summer Fair**

We hope you all have a lovely Easter break.

Please follow our Facebook page:  
Hawthorn Community Primary School PFA

**Our Holiday Playscheme will be operating from 3<sup>rd</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> April. Please contact Mrs O'Key for further details**

## Dates for Your Diary:

March	
29 <sup>th</sup>	End of term 4
April	
16 <sup>th</sup>	Teacher Training Day Primary School allocations
17 <sup>th</sup>	Start of term 5
18 <sup>th</sup>	PFA Meeting 7pm
20 <sup>th</sup>	Pears, Apples and Cherries Cake Sale
24 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 SATs Information Evening
26 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Dance Festival at Southfield School
May	
7 <sup>th</sup>	School closed – May Bank Holiday
w.b. 14 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 SATs week
25 <sup>th</sup>	End of term 5
June	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Start of term 6
6 <sup>th</sup>	Cedars Class swimming at Kettering Pool – 1 <sup>st</sup> session of 6
12 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Voice Meeting 7pm
w.b. 18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5/6 Residential to the Isle of Wight
28 <sup>th</sup> , 29 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Book Fair
July	
2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Summer Book Fair
3 <sup>rd</sup>	EYFS visit to 360 Play
7 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Fair 1-3pm
9 <sup>th</sup>	Transfer Day – children spend the day with their new teacher
19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 leavers Party
20 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term 6

### Music For Youth

On Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March, Hawthorn KS2 Choir went to Northampton School for Boys and sang at the Regional Festival of Music for Youth.

The judges enjoyed our performance, as we sang 'Father we adore you', 'You'll Never Walk Alone' and 'I'm a Nut'. These songs included sign language and actions as well as body percussion, all topped off by beautiful singing. The judges gave inspiring feedback, including: "Well done! A really well put together programme and a really enjoyable performance." The choir enjoyed singing and are hoping to go to Birmingham later this year to take part in the national Music for Youth Festival.

Thank you to Laila and Kaysie for this report.

You should have received a proof of your child's class photograph this week. If you would like to place an order for either a group or class photograph please return the completed order form to the school office by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April. Thank you.

### Attendance Update

EYFS and KS1 CLASSES	Total for week	Change from previous week	KS2 CLASSES	Total for week	Change from previous week
Cherries	94.8%	- 5.2	Willows	97.1%	- 1.9
Apples	94.5%	- 3.1	Silver Birches	95.5%	- 2.4
Pears	92.8%	- 2.9	Redwoods	96.9%	- 1.4
Beeches	95.7%	- 0.2	Maples	96.6%	+ 2.9
Rowans	95.9%	- 1.8	Cedars	96.8%	- 1.9
			Oaks	96.1%	- 3.2

SAM Weekly Winner: WILLOWS

MIA Weekly Winner: MAPLES