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	Hawthorn Community Primary School <i>The Hawthorn Herald</i>	
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Dear Parents and Carers,

KS1 visit to Sacrewell Farm

Yesterday, KS1 visited Sacrewell Farm. They had a wonderful time exploring the farm environment and feeding the animals. The children also had the opportunity to play in the playground, dig for minibeasts, make nests for wildlife and explore the woods! What a busy day!

Hoola Hoop Challenge

Today we held our first whole school house event: the Hoola Hoop Challenge! We had a fantastic afternoon! In the EYFS/KS1 final we had Destiney (Fire), Aria (Water), Katie (Earth) and Delilah (Air) and in the KS2 final we had Joseph (Fire), Louie (Water), Jamie (Earth) and Harley (Air). It was very close but our overall winners were Aria and Joseph meaning Water and Fire were joint winners and were awarded the House Cup with their house ribbons on. Well done everyone!

Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday, it will be Safer Internet Day. We will be holding a range of activities in school throughout the day but please remind children about staying safe on the Internet at home.

Every week in our newsletter we feature an online safety article, we also regularly send out an Online Safety newsletter. Please share these with your children and use them as a starting point for your discussions.

Coffee Afternoon

Thank you to everyone who attended our Storytime Coffee Afternoon this week. It was great to see so many of you there.

Celebration Assemblies

We will be holding our Celebration Assemblies for our value of Resilience on Wednesday (12th) for EYFS and KS1 and Thurs (13th) for KS2. If your child has been selected to receive an award you will receive an invite.

KS1 Cake Sale

*On Wednesday (12th) KS1 will be holding a cake sale to raise money for school funds in order to host events such as Toast and Tales. Years 1 & 2 please could you bring in some baked goods in the morning which will then be sold on the top playground at the end of the day. **CAKES MUST NOT CONTAIN NUTS.** If you would like your child to purchase some cakes please provide a donation in a named envelope.*

Silent Discos

On Thursday, the Friends of Hawthorn will be holding Silent Discos for our EYFS/KS1 and KS2 children (see flyer below). There are a few tickets left for EYFS/KS1 but KS2 tickets are sold out!

A reminder that we break up on Thursday (13th). Friday is Training Day for staff, so children make the most of a lie-in!

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Emma Jacox

Head Teacher



1 - KS1 at Sacrewell Farm









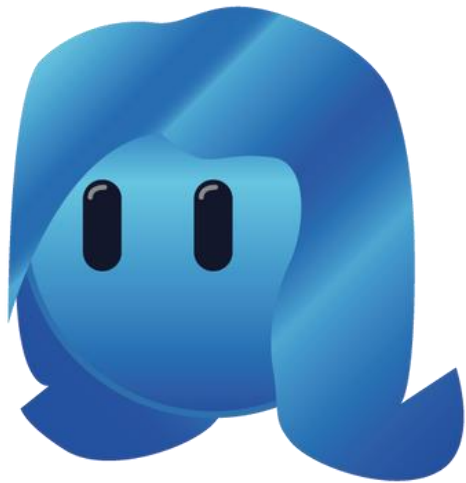


2 - Hoola Hoop Challenge!





House Points so far...



Click on the cards below to see which house is in the lead so far!!

Fire - 342 points

Earth - 374 points

Air - 388 points

Water - 391 points!!!

Well done Water, still in the lead so far with 391 points at the time of writing!! However, this is before our Hoola Hoop Challenge points have been added! It might have all changed by Monday!!

Spring Term Sports Clubs

There's still time to book on to our afterschool clubs for next week:

KS1 Adventure Club

- ***When:*** Wednesdays, starting 8th January 2025
 - ***Time:*** 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
 - ***Year Groups:*** Reception, Year 1 & Year 2
 - ***Focus:*** Fun-filled adventure activities tailored to younger children, blending teamwork, creativity, and active play.
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KS2 Dance & Gymnastics Club

- ***When:*** Tuesdays, starting 7th January 2025
 - ***Time:*** 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

- **Year Groups:** Years 3 - 6
 - **Focus:** A perfect mix of dance and gymnastics, helping children build confidence, coordination, and a love for movement.
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Key Information

 **Cost per session:** £5 (General Admission) or £3.50 for Pupil Premium.

 **Booking Link:** <https://bookwhen.com/ecocoach>  **Capacity:** Limited to 20 children per session, with 5 spaces reserved for FSM children. If these spots remain unfilled, they will be offered to those on the waiting list.

Parents can book individual sessions or the whole term, and places will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

We're excited to offer these engaging opportunities for your children to stay active, develop skills, and have lots of fun next term. Should you have any questions or require assistance, feel free to contact us at greenteam@eco-coach.co.uk.

We can't wait to see your children in the clubs and look forward to a term filled with sports, teamwork, and excitement!



AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITY CLUBS AT HAWTHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL



ECOCOACH PE SOLUTIONS are excited to announce the launch of our new after-school sports clubs for KS1 (including Reception class) and KS2 children, offering an engaging and fun-filled opportunity to develop new skills, stay active, and make new friends!

KS1 ADVENTURE CLUB: STARTS: 8TH JANUARY 2025 (WEDNESDAYS, 6 SESSIONS) YEAR GROUPS: RECEPTION, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2

KS2 DANCE & GYMNASTICS CLUB: STARTS: 7TH JANUARY 2025 (TUESDAYS, 6 SESSIONS) YEAR GROUPS: YEARS 3 - 6

⌚ TIME: 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM 📄 COST PER SESSION: £5 GENERAL ADMISSION £3.50 FOR FSM CHILDREN (MUST BE VERIFIED BY SCHOOL).

HOW TO BOOK: PARENTS CAN CHOOSE TO BOOK INDIVIDUAL SESSIONS OR THE WHOLE TERM.

THE MAXIMUM CAPACITY IS 20 CHILDREN PER SESSION, AND 5 SPOTS ARE RESERVED FOR FSM CHILDREN.

IF THESE SPOTS ARE NOT FILLED, THOSE ON THE WAITING LIST WILL BE OFFERED PLACES. IF THERE'S HIGH DEMAND, WE WILL CONSIDER ADDING AN ADDITIONAL COACH TO ACCOMMODATE MORE CHILDREN. BOOKINGS ARE FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED, AND ONLINE PAYMENT ONLY.

BOOKING LINK: [HTTPS://BOOKWHEN.COM/ECOCOACH](https://bookwhen.com/ecocoach)

WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO A FANTASTIC TERM OF SPORTS, TEAMWORK, AND FUN! HURRY AND SECURE YOUR SPOT NOW! FOR ANY INQUIRIES, PLEASE CONTACT [GREENTEAM@ECO-COACH.CO.UK](mailto:greenteam@eco-coach.co.uk)



FSM DISCOUNT BOOKING STEPS:
CONFIRM ELIGIBILITY: CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL TO CONFIRM YOUR CHILD'S FREE SCHOOL MEALS (FSM) STATUS.
GET DISCOUNT CODE: FORWARD THE CONFIRMATION TO [GREENTEAM@ECO-UKCOACH.CO.UK](mailto:greenteam@eco-ukcoach.co.uk) TO RECEIVE YOUR FSM CODE.
BOOK WITH DISCOUNT: USE THE FSM CODE AT CHECKOUT TO PAY £3.50

Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow!



Well done to Silver Birches who lead again this week with 99%, however Willows have joined them this week in the number one spot! Well done!!

Silver Birches: 99%

Willows: 99%

Elm: 98%

Cedars: 97%

Redwoods: 97%

Apples: 97%

Cherries: 97%

Oaks: 96%

Bay: 96%

Maples: 95%

Ash: 91%

Friends of Hawthorn - Upcoming Events

FRIENDS OF HAWTHORN

THURS 13TH FEB 2025

EYFS/KS1 3.30-4.30
KS2 4.45-5.45

SILENT DISCO

YOU ARE THE DJ!

TICKETS £3
Pay on MCAS

LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS, PLEASE BOOK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

TO SUGGEST A SONG FOR THE PLAYLIST [CLICK HERE!](#)

MUSIC IS PLAYED THROUGH INDIVIDUAL HEADSETS. THERE WILL BE A QUIET ZONE WITH OTHER ACTIVITIES & GAMES AVAILABLE. DRINKS PROVIDED.
EYFS/KS1 CAN WEAR NON-UNIFORM TO SCHOOL AS THEY WILL GO STRAIGHT TO THE DISCO AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY

What Parents Need to Know about...Scams and Fake News

All The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SCAMS AND FAKE NEWS

"Fake news" refers to falsified or misleading material presented as a legitimate account of events. It's often used by malicious actors online to push an agenda, or even by criminals as a way of making scams more persuasive. Scammers can trick us into handing over personal information, security details and even our hard-earned cash.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

"CLICKBAIT" PHISHING SCAMS
A message arrives saying "Have you seen this idea of yours?" or you might be sent an attention-grabbing headline about a celebrity that's been shared on social media. This kind of "bait" is produced by scammers to drive us to click on an unsafe link, where malware could be downloaded to our devices. These scams rely on our curiosity and our "need-to-know" instinct.

SALES, DEALS & DISCOUNTS
Some scams appear as adverts, offering a chance to buy something – such as designer products, expensive gadgets or tickets to a popular show – at a reduced price. Such plays often include a time limit or countdown, urging us to hurry so we don't miss out on the deal. This pressure encourages us to input personal details or payment information before pausing to check if it's legitimate.

YOU'RE A WINNER!
This kind of scam involves fake giveaways, opportunities or freebies. It could be a message saying we've won a prize draw or competition. Or it could be a gift, free trial, bonus credit, and so on. It might claim that a package or refund is waiting. All these techniques are used to prompt us to share our personal information, thinking that there's something to be gained by doing so.

FALSE FRIENDSHIPS
Scammers often pretend to be someone they're not to gain their victims' trust. They might attempt to convince any children they connect with that they're a child of similar age with shared interests. Warning signs include a high volume of messages (often with an intense tone), secrecy, inappropriate levels of intimacy, guilt tripping, emotional manipulation, threats or blackmail.

PANIC MODE
To trigger a sense of panic, scammers may claim that a child's account has been hacked, or a virus has been installed on their device, or any number of other scary scenarios. They may claim to be able to fix the problem or offer a solution – if the child hands over control of the device or sensitive information. Similar scams involve impersonating a friend or relative, claiming that they're in trouble and need help.

FAKE CELEBRITY ENDORSEMENTS
Impersonating influential people online is a common tactic for scammers, who can use technology to create fake photos, audio and even videos that look authentic. These can be used to convince us, for example, to buy products, sign up for so-called "business opportunities" or invest in cryptocurrency schemes – all of which are fake or otherwise malicious. Many scams also involve the impersonation of popular companies' social media accounts, as well as those of individuals.

Advice for Parents & Educators

STAY INFORMED
Stay up to date with the latest information and best practice on cyber-security. See what scam stories are reported in the news and make note of what tactics were used. Keep up with young people's digital lives: talk about what they're doing online and use properly endorsed resources to learn what risks certain sites and apps pose to their younger users.

TALK TOGETHER
Chat often and openly with young people about fake news, online scams and how they both work. Encourage them to talk to you about anything they're unsure of or worried about online. If a child claims to have been scammed, don't panic judgement. Blaming the victim may deter young people from asking you for help. Sometimes adults are scammed just as often, if not more.

ENCOURAGE HEALTHY SCEPTICISM
Most scams rely on emotional or psychological manipulation, tapping into our human instincts – whether that's to keep ourselves safe, help others, find answers, make friends, avoid being out or to secure something we really want. Encourage children to recognise that pressure to act and to always consult with an adult – especially if what's on offer sounds too good to be true.

BE PROACTIVE
Children increasingly use digital devices for education, socialising, shopping and play. Don't wait for a problem to arise before you discuss the risk of scams, fake information and fake news. Highlight what to look out for and clearly communicate under what circumstances the child ought to speak to an adult. Finally, ensure that they're aware of the support services that are available to them (such as Childline).

Meet Our Expert
Dr Holly Powell-Jones is the founder of Online Media Law UK and a leading expert in digital safety, media law and young people. Her PhD investigates children's understandings of risk online. She works with schools, businesses, and universities to provide award-winning education on the criminal, legal and ethical considerations for the digital age. Visit [OnlineMediaLaw.co.uk](https://www.onlinemedialaw.co.uk) for more.

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For information on talking with child about social media, please click on the following link which will take you to the Internet Matters website: [Internet Matters: Talking with your child about social media](#)

Internet Matters also offer The Family Digital Toolkit where parents can get personalised online safety advice based on a number of factors such as age, popular apps and platforms their children use, tackling online issues and more. [My Family's Digital Toolkit - tailored online safety advice | Internet Matters](#)

Community News & Events



**ST. MICHAEL
& ALL ANGELS**
GARFIELD STREET NN156BU



**SUNDAY
CLUB**

**1ST & 3RD SUNDAYS
AT 9AM -9.30AM***

CRAFTS & GAMES

*For families attending Sunday Services

2025 DATES

19TH JAN
2ND FEB
16TH FEB
2ND MARCH
16TH MARCH
6TH APRIL
20TH APRIL - (EASTER SUNDAY)
4TH MAY
18TH MAY
1ST JUNE
15TH JUNE - (FATHER'S DAY)
6TH JULY
20TH JULY

Please help this cause run by a small group of volunteers provide a support network to provide a warm space and to combat loneliness



Mondays 10am - Noon run by Mel

Tea's Up!

Company, Friendship, Fun, Crafts, Activities, Well Being, etc.

Come join us for refreshments, friendship, fun, crafts and well being support. Don't miss out!

St Michael's & All Angels
Garfield Street
Kettering
NN15 6BU

Cash or Card Donations Welcome

Also needed

Tea bags, coffee, biscuits, cake, Hot chocolate, long life milk, crafting supplies(wool, crochet needles, knitting needles, mindfulness colouring books/pens, jigsaws, recycled products(toilet rolls, kitchen rolls, plastic plates and bowls (picnic type) Eco friendly cleaning products(washing up liquid), tea towels
We also need to raise for a licence to play music and Films and tables that can be folded used indoor and out. All help or donations greatly appreciated.

It's back ...

REPAIR CAFE Kettering

WHERE?
The Church of St. Micheal
and All Angels
33 Garfield Street
Kettering, NN15 6BU

WHEN?
Saturday
February 8, 2025
10am – 1pm

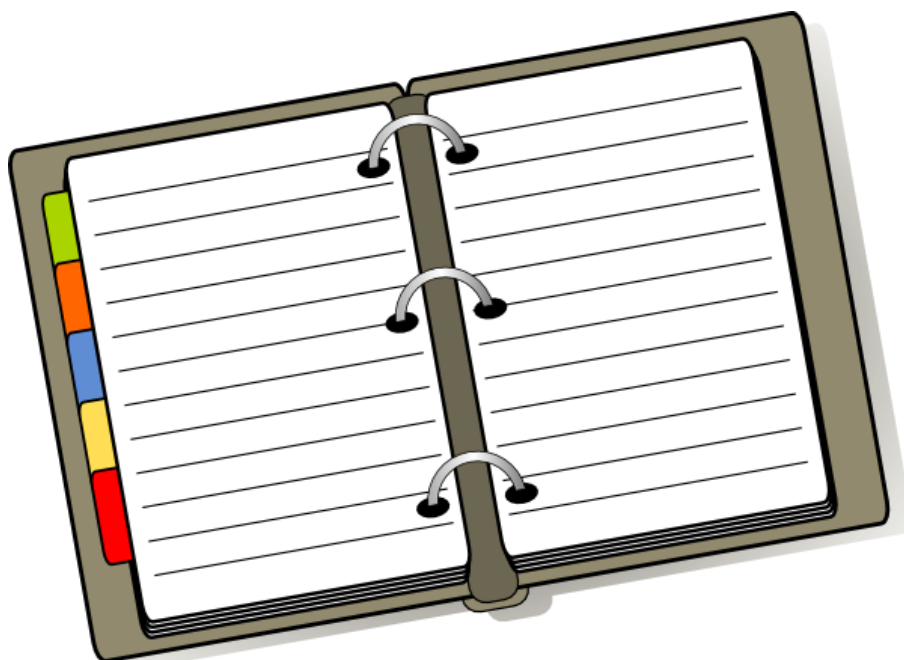
To book your time slot for a repair or to volunteer, contact:
repaircafekettering@gmail.com



Please follow the link below to the school website to find information on events happening in Kettering and surrounding areas:

[Hawthorn Primary - Community News and Events \(hawthornprimarykettering.co.uk\)](http://hawthornprimarykettering.co.uk)

Dates For Your Diary...



Weds 12th Feb: 2.15pm - EYFS and KS1 Celebration Assembly (invites to follow)

KS1 Cake Sale

Thurs 13th Feb: 2.15pm - KS2 Celebration Assembly (invites to follow)

Silent Discos (organised by the Friends of Hawthorn) for KS1 and KS2

Break Up for half term

Fri 14th Feb: Training Day

Mon 24th Feb: Back to school

Thurs 27th Feb: Coffee Afternoon: Stories with Grandparents (2pm)

Thurs 6th Mar: World Book Day

Coffee Afternoon: Maths with your children/grandchildren (2pm)

Mon 10th Mar - Weds 12th Mar: Y4 Residential at the Frontier Centre, Irthlingborough

Mon 17th - Fri 21st Mar: Book Fair in school

Fri 21st Mar: Tempest Class Photos

Tues 25th Mar: Parents Evening (3.30-6.30pm)

Thurs 27th Mar: Parents Evening (3.30-6.30pm)

Fri 28th Mar: Y5/6 Sponsored Bounce

Mon 31st Mar: KS1 Easter Egg Hunt

Thurs 3rd Apr: Coffee Afternoon: Easter Crafts

Fri 4th Apr: Break Up for Easter
