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

Parents Evenings

Parents Evenings will be held on Tuesday (25th) and Thursday (27th) from 3.30-6.30pm. It is very important that you book an appointment with your child's class teacher to discuss their progress, if you haven't already done so.

Appointments can be booked online via MCAS under "Parents Evening". Please note that individual meetings are strictly 10 minutes long and all appointments are now face-to-face in school. Bookings will close on Monday (24th) at 4 pm for Tuesday bookings and Wednesday (26th) at 4 pm for Thursday bookings.

Mrs Martin, Inclusion Leader, will also be available on both evenings. If you would like to make an appointment to see her please telephone the office and this can be arranged for you.

Bronze Awards

Since the launch of our House System earlier this year, we have been awarding house points both for positive individual behaviours linking to our school values and for regular House Challenges. We are delighted to share that some pupils have now achieved their Bronze

Award (15 house points)! These children will be recognised during assembly next week and will be bringing home a certificate and a bronze badge. Children may wear their badge on their shirt collar. Once a child has gained their Bronze Award, they can work towards achieving their Silver Award (30 house points). Well done to everyone who has achieved their Bronze Award so far!

Mothers' Day Stall

On Friday (28th), the Friends of Hawthorn will be opening their Mothers' Day Gift Shop in school. During the school day, children are invited to visit the gift shop to choose a surprise gift for the special people in their life. Gift choices will include candles, stationery, toiletries, mugs, books etc... All gifts cost £3.50 (£2 pupil premium) with personalised gift bag and tag! Please pay for your gifts on MCAS by 3pm on Monday (24th). Access to the gift shop will only be for children who have pre-ordered.

Sponsored Bounce

Also on Friday (28th), Y5/6 will enjoy their long awaited Sponsored Bounce!

Food Bank

We will be running our Hawthorn Food Bank again over the Easter Holidays. If you would like to contribute to the Food Bank, please bring any goods into school on Monday 31st March. These can include dried foods, tins, toiletries, non-perishables please. If you need to use the Food Bank, please contact Mrs Brown by Thursday 3rd April.

Holiday Club

Unfortunately, the Hawthorn Holiday Club has now closed with immediate effect and will not be open over Easter. The club has been running at a loss for some time, we simply are not having enough children sign up to make it viable. This does not affect Breakfast Club and After School Club - both are very well attended. Indeed, from September 2025 the hours of our wrap around care will be extended - Breakfast Club will open from 7.30am and After School Club will run until 6pm.

Choir

On Wednesday we held auditions for our upcoming Hawthorn Choir performance. It was fantastic to see so many children pushing themselves out of their comfort zone and brave

enough to audition for a solo part! The outcome of the auditions will be revealed early next week, but a huge well done to everyone who took part!

Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who visited and purchased from our Travelling Book Fair this week. The fair raised £292.40 to spend on books for our school.

Class Photographs

Links to your child's class photographs have been sent out via MCAS (Announcements). Please note the last day to order for free delivery to school is Sunday (23rd). After this you will have to pay postage. Follow the link, order via the Tempest website or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk. Call 01736 751555 for assistance.

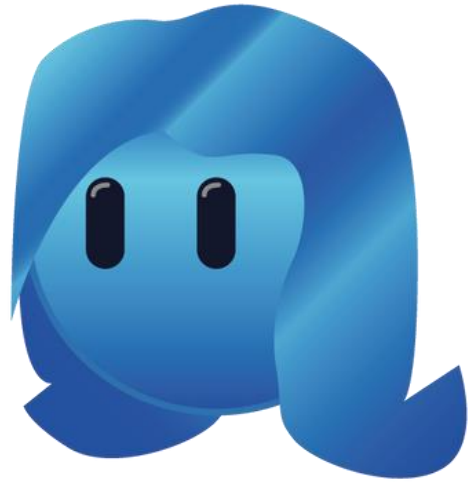
Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Emma Jacox

Head Teacher

House Points so far...



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

Earth - 631 points

Air - 632 points

Water - 777 points

Fire - 782 points!!!

Fire are still in the lead this week! Well done Fire and a big well done to everyone who has earned a house point this week. Keep up the fantastic work!

Spring Term 2 Sports Clubs

Please see below for details of our this term's clubs, delivered by EcoCoach. Parents can book individual sessions or the whole term:

KS1 Dance and Gymnastics Club



- ***When:*** Wednesdays
 - ***Time:*** 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
 - ***Year Groups:*** Reception, Year 1 & Year 2
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KS2 Football Club

- ***When:*** Tuesdays
 - ***Time:*** 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
 - ***Year Groups:*** Years 3 - 6
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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.



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!

AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITY CLUBS AT HAWTHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL

KS1 DANCE & GYMNASTICS CLUB: STARTS: 26TH FEBRUARY 2025 (WEDNESDAYS, 6 SESSIONS) YEAR GROUPS: RECEPTION, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2

KS2 FOOTBALL CLUB: STARTS: 25TH FEBRUARY 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 ENQUIRIES, 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

What Parents Need to Know About...Streamers

At 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 STREAMERS

Livestreaming has become a big part of the entertainment people consume, and what began as a series of gamers sharing their screens has grown into a huge industry packed with personalities - and potential risks for your children. With over 2.5 million people watching Twitch, the most popular streaming service, at any one time, it's important to remain aware of the risks associated with streamers.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some gaming streamers will stick to family-friendly titles, but others will play more violent games that tend to be more popular. Non-gaming streamers could, in theory, discuss just about anything, and some streamers will often stream in revealing outfits.

NEGATIVE INFLUENCES

While things have improved, streamers are often paid by companies to promote products, and this isn't always stated explicitly. While it's unlikely these goods will be harmful to your child, some streamers and influencers have engaged (knowingly or not) in scams in the past.

FINANCIAL HARM

Streamers will often have donation buttons on their screens for users to submit money. What can start as small amounts can quickly spiral as streamers engage with paying viewers more often, potentially leading to financial issues.

UNREALISTIC EXPECTATIONS

Influencers often showcase how glamorous their lives are, making some users feel as though they are lesser. However, it's important to stress that, in many ways, this is an act, or at the very least, not common. Logan Paul, who has been successful as a streamer and influencer, has a Pokémon card worth \$8 million, but this is atypical of anyone working in the medium.

MISINFORMATION

Streamers are, in many ways, just like us - and they can get things wrong or reel off an opinion without having thought about it. Some can simply say awful things to get a rise out of viewers or to sway them to their side of a hot topic.

ADDICTION AND SCREEN TIME

If your child is watching a lot of a particular streamer, it can be just as damaging to their social life as playing too many video games.

Advice for Parents & Educators

EXPLAIN HOW STREAMING WORKS

For a younger viewer, being a streamer or influencer seems aspirational, but it involves a lot of work and no small degree of good fortune. Streamers are often managed and unable to speak freely due to sponsors, and influencers are just that - influencing young minds, for better or for worse.

CHECK OUT STREAMING PLATFORMS

While Twitch was the de facto streaming service for years, YouTube has gained popularity, too. Then there are Kick and Rumble, which have grown in popularity with moves for big-name streamers - despite many being dogged by controversy.

DO NOT LOG PAYMENT INFORMATION

Streamers can reward donations with additional content, on-camera "shout outs" and more. If you're unsure about who or what your child is watching, consider avoiding linking payment information. This is especially notable with Twitch, which is owned by Amazon and therefore has some crossover.

SET SCREEN TIME LIMITS

You can set screentime limits for mobile apps on iOS and Google, but with other platforms like a PC it may be more difficult to keep tabs. Consider checking in regularly to ensure your children aren't watching content they shouldn't be.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Games Editor of the Daily Star, and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for five years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published at sites including IGN, Techradar, and plenty more.

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We have a tie at the top between Silver Birches and Willows this week! Closely followed by Cedars! Well done all.

Silver Birches: 98%

Willows: 98%

Cedars: 97%

Maples: 96%

Bay: 96%

Ash: 95%

Cherries: 95%

Oaks: 95%

Elm: 93%

Redwoods: 93%

Apples: 91%

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](#)

Friends of Hawthorn Upcoming Events



Raising money to support our school

FRIENDS OF HAWTHORN

Mother's Day GIFT SHOP

FRIDAY 28th MARCH 2025

During the school day, children are invited to visit our pop-up gift shop to choose a surprise gift for the mums/aunties/Grandmas/step mums/special people in their life. Gift choices will include candles, stationery, toiletries, pampering, mugs, books etc...

All gifts - **£3.50** (£2 pupil premium) with personalised gift bag and tag!

Please pay for your gifts on MCAS by 3pm Monday 24th March. Access to gift shop will be for children who have pre-ordered only to allow us to ensure we have enough gifts.

If you have any questions, please contact friendsofhawthornkettering@gmail.com or the school office



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FRIENDS OF HAWTHORN

Family BUNNY BINGO!

FRIDAY 4TH APRIL 2025

3.30 - 4.30PM IN THE SCHOOL HALL
ENTRY VIA OFFICE

£10 PER FAMILY
UP TO 5 PEOPLE
LIMITED TICKETS
PLEASE PAY ON MCAS

REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED
PLEASE NOTE - THERE WILL BE NO CASH PRIZES. PRIZES WILL INCLUDE EASTER EGGS, GAMES, VOUCHERS FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES. TOP PRIZE WILL BE LUXURY FAMILY HAMPER

If you have any questions, please contact friendsofhawthornkettering@gmail.com or the school office

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

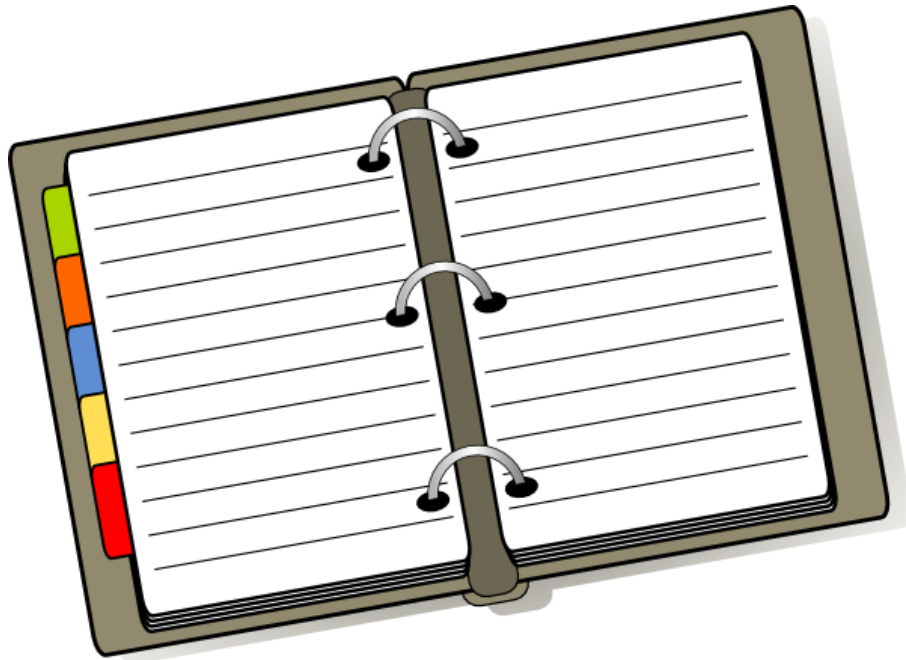
Also needed

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 fundraise for a licence to play music and Films and tables that can be folded used indoor and out. All help or donations greatly appreciated.

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...



Fri 21st Mar: Rocksteady Concert (Friday Bands) 2pm

Comic Relief - Add a bit of red to your school uniform (see letter sent out on MCAS today)

Tues 25th Mar: Parents Evening (3.30-6.30pm) - bookings are open on MCAS

Weds 26th Mar: Rocksteady Concert (Weds Bands) 2pm

Thurs 27th Mar: 10am: KS1 walk to St Peter's & St Paul's Church

Parents Evening (3.30-6.30pm) - bookings are open on MCAS

Fri 28th Mar: Y5/6 Sponsored Bounce

FoH Mothers' Day Stall

Mon 31st Mar: Donations to be bought in for the Hawthorn Food Bank

KS1 Easter Egg Hunt

Thurs 3rd Apr: Coffee Afternoon: Easter Crafts

Fri 4th Apr: Break Up for Easter

3.30-4.30pm: Family Bunny Bingo for Families (FoH)

*******Easter Break*******

Tues 22nd Apr: Back to school

EYFS & KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade (children only)

Thurs 1st May: Coffee Afternoon with Mrs Brown - How we support your child with emotional literacy (ELSA)

LKS2 Cake Sale

Mon 5th May: May Day (School Closed)

Tues 8th May: EYFS & KS1 May Day Dancing (2pm)

Mon 12th May: KS2 SATs Week begins

Mon 19th May: Reception Screening

Fri 23rd May: Break Up
