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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a hot week here at Hawthorn. Please can I remind you to send your children in to school wearing sun-cream and with a cap and water bottle whilst the days are warmer.

We have a busy week next week, with lots of events taking place:

Y6 Junior Citizens visit

The Year 6 children will be taking part in the Junior Citizenship Scheme which is run by Hope UK, on Monday. The scheme focuses on safety, healthy lifestyles and making good choices. The session will be held at Hope UK, Gold Street, Kettering NN16 8JB (opposite Boots) from 12.30-2.30pm. We will be walking to and from the event. During the event the children will be split into groups and will spend time with the following agencies: • Hope UK drug awareness • Northants Fire & Rescue • Northants Police • First Responders • Health Schools Advisors.

Sports Day

On Wednesday (25th) we will be holding our school Sports Day at St Peter's Independent School. KS2 will take place from 9.15-11.30am and EYFS/KS1 will be held from 1.30-3pm. This year, children will be earning house points for their houses, so should come dressed in a

house-coloured t-shirt (Fire – Red • Earth – Green • Water – Blue • Air - Yellow/White), shorts/joggers and trainers.

Parents are welcome to come along and cheer the children on from the path surrounding the field and are invited to bring camping chairs or a picnic blanket. At the moment, the weather looks fine and a little bit cooler, fingers crossed it stays that way!

Midsummer Dancing

On Thursday (26th) we will hold our KS2 Midsummer Dancing event, which will include a special appearance from the Hawthorn Horrors! Your child should come to school in their school uniform as usual or PE uniform if they have PE. Please make sure they have their water bottle in school and have had sun cream applied before coming in.

Parents are invited to join us. The dancing will start at 2.00 pm prompt. Entry is via the Broadway gate only which will be open from 1.50 pm. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

New staff member

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Louise Parrott to our admin team at Hawthorn. Many of you may have already met her or spoken to her on the front desk. She will be supporting Mrs Aitken in the office.

Showcase Day

On Friday, we will be welcoming 11 delegates from across the country to a Hawthorn showcase day. During the day, our visitors will learn about our school, including the provision in place for children, how we have established learning behaviours and routines and how we have embedded our school curriculum. We will be taking them on a tour of the school and they will get to meet some of our children.

Years 5 and 6 at Irchester Country Park

Years 5 and 6 have had a fantastic trip to Irchester Country Park this week, despite the heat!

The children challenged themselves on the Jungle Parc high ropes activity and completed an orienteering session, before cooling off with a refreshing ice-cream!

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Emma Jacox

Head Teacher



1 - UKS2 enjoying the shade at Irchester Country Park







Summer Holiday Club

EcoCoach will be running our summer holiday provision at Hawthorn this year.

Activities on offer include games and sports, movement and dance, arts and crafts, plus water games and splash days.

Dates: 4th- 29th August

Times: 9am - 3pm (early drop-off at 8am and late pick up at 4pm - £5 each)

Ages: 5-11 years (4-year-olds welcome for half days 8/9am to midday)

Who: Children from across the community (not just Hawthorn). All abilities welcome, SEND friendly and fully inclusive.

Cost: £22.50 per day

Early Bird Discount: 20% off until 30th June, use code: GREENBIRD20.

15% DISCOUNT for FSM, Military and NHS families (can't be used with Early Bird Discount).

Booking: Visit [EcoCoach Summer Camp](#)



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Swimming Gala

This week, some of our KS2 children attended the Northamptonshire Sport Swimming Gala. Well done to Elsie, Corey and Mahaeleth who finished first in their heats of their individual races, and to Corey, Flynn, Mahaeleth and Elsie who won their relay heat. Chloe, Isla, Liam and Paisley all competed in the last relay race of the afternoon involving all 8 swimmers, and finished a brilliant 2nd in their heat to round off a great afternoon of swimming.

Well done everyone!

Summer Term 2 Sports Clubs

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

EYFS/KS1 Athletics



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

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

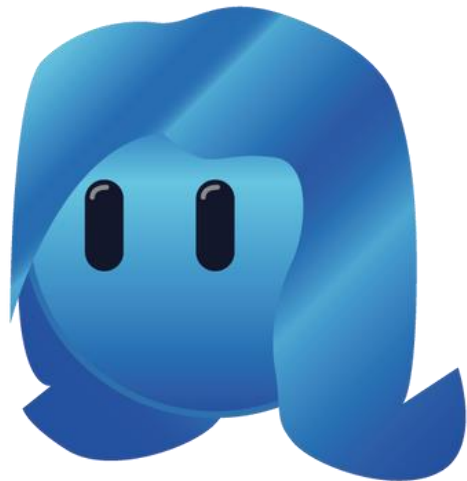
 **Cost per session:** £5 (General Admission) 15% off for Pupil Premium.

 **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.

If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact EcoCoach at greenteam@eco-coach.co.uk.

House Points so far...



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

4th Place:

Earth - 1333 points

Redwoods: 94%

Ash: 93%

Apples: 90%

What Parents And Carers Need To Know About...YouTube Kids

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 YOUTUBE KIDS

AGE RESTRICTION 4+

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

As its name suggests, YouTube Kids is a child-friendly version of Google's online video-sharing platform. Its colourful user interface is designed with young people in mind, and it offers a curated, family-friendly experience with features like age-based content settings and parental controls.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT BYPASSING FILTERS

YouTube Kids is less likely to show inappropriate material than YouTube, but there have been reports of the app showing age-inappropriate content to young viewers. One investigation found that YouTube Kids had shown videos that promote skin bleaching, weight loss, drug culture and firearms to children as young as two, as inappropriate content had bypassed the platform's algorithms and human moderators.

BE WARY OF ADVERTISING

Like Google's regular YouTube app, YouTube Kids features pervasive advertising before a video plays. While these adverts are designed to be family friendly and are subject to a strict review process, it's worth noting that YouTube Kids collects information around children's viewing to inform targeted content and advertisements.

DESIGNED TO BE ADDICTIVE

YouTube Kids is designed to be addictive. The platform's design features, such as the constant stream of new videos and the reward system of points or virtual stickers, can be very engaging and make it difficult for children to switch off. Research has shown that spending too much time using digital services such as YouTube can lead to screen addiction, affecting children's daily routines, studies, and even their social lives.

SETTINGS CAN BE CIRCUMVENTED

YouTube Kids offers built-in parental controls, enabling you to set screen time limits and curate the content children are able to view; however, children are often more tech-savvy than we think. They can easily bypass or reset these settings if they have access to the associated Google account password, thereby exposing themselves to age-inappropriate and potentially dangerous content.

AI-GENERATED MISINFORMATION

There is also a risk of children accessing videos that contain disinformation and misinformation. A BBC investigation found that some YouTube channels are using artificial intelligence (AI) technology to create misleading 'scientific' videos that are recommended to children as educational content. These videos included conspiracy theories and ideas that lack scientific backing.

DATA COLLECTION RISK

While there are limits on the data that YouTube can collect on children under 13, children can still inadvertently give away sensitive information when using YouTube Kids. The platform collects data on children's viewing habits, content searches and location, which YouTube and third-party advertisers can use.

Advice for Parents & Educators

PARENTAL CONTROLS

YouTube Kids offers several settings that allow you to manage what content children can view. For example, you can choose what level of content you want them to access, such as 'Preschool' or 'Younger'. You can also turn off the search function, so that only those videos approved by the YouTube Kids team themselves will appear on a child's recommendations list.

SET TIME LIMITS

The built-in parental controls let you keep a tab on how long children spend watching videos. You can set a timer that limits screen time and disables the YouTube Kids app once a specified length of time has been reached. It's also worth speaking to children about the dangers of spending too much time on YouTube, to ensure they remain focused on other, more important activities.

CHECK WATCH HISTORY

YouTube Kids has made it easy for you to keep an eye on what the children in your care have been watching on the app. By clicking on the 'Recommended' icon on the top right of the home screen, you can see which videos they've been watching, and how much of each. If a child watches YouTube Kids while signed into a Google account, you can check their history through Google's 'My Activity' page.

WATCH TOGETHER

It's important that you try to make YouTube Kids a fun and positive experience for children. One way to do this is by introducing watching sessions, where you sit together and share the most enjoyable videos that you have recently watched. This can be a great way of giving you both new things to talk about and of keeping an eye on what they're watching.

Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced journalist with more than 10 years of experience covering the technology industry. Previously a senior cybersecurity reporter at TechCrunch, Carly is now a freelance journalist, editor, and copywriter. Her bylines include Forbes, TechRadar, Tes, The INQUIRER, The Metro, iSwitcH, and WIRED.

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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](#)

Hawthorn School Lottery

Exciting news! Our School Lottery just reached an incredible £5000 of funds raised for Hawthorn!

For just £1 a week, you can join our weekly draw with a GUARANTEED CASH PRIZE won within our school supporters EVERY SINGLE WEEK. This prize increases the more tickets we sell, so please share with family and friends too. There is also always the chance to win the jackpot of £25k as well as other top prizes which are added every month (e.g. PS5, £1000 cash, family vouchers).

This is the easiest way to support our school fundraising and really does make a huge difference. Visit the link below or click 'Buy a Ticket' on the poster.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/hawthorn-community-primary-school>

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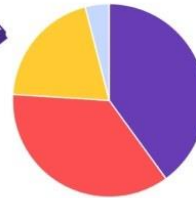
It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to Hawthorn Community Primary School

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online by direct debit or debit card.

It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to Hawthorn Community Primary School

Splitting the £1.00



- 40p goes to our school
- 36p goes to cash prizes
- 20p goes to admin costs
- 4p goes to VAT

The Maths... 100 tickets sold a week means

- = £30 weekly cash prize
- = £2,080 a year for our school

[Buy A Ticket](#)

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Money raised will be donated to
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(Suggested voluntary donation from each house £3)



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ECO CHURCH



We are currently working towards an eco award for the church garden and buildings to make this vibrant community hub more sustainable and environmentally friendly

We are looking for funds to help with this work to provide tools, materials, storage plants & volunteers to help create a sensory garden for users of all abilities.

We have already built a Dead Hedge with the help of the Kings Trust volunteers and wildlife are already visiting. Please help us to keep going! Any donations gratefully received.

Enquiries SMAA.warden@gmail.com or Julie Gillies Tesco Community Champion



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SUNDAY CLUB

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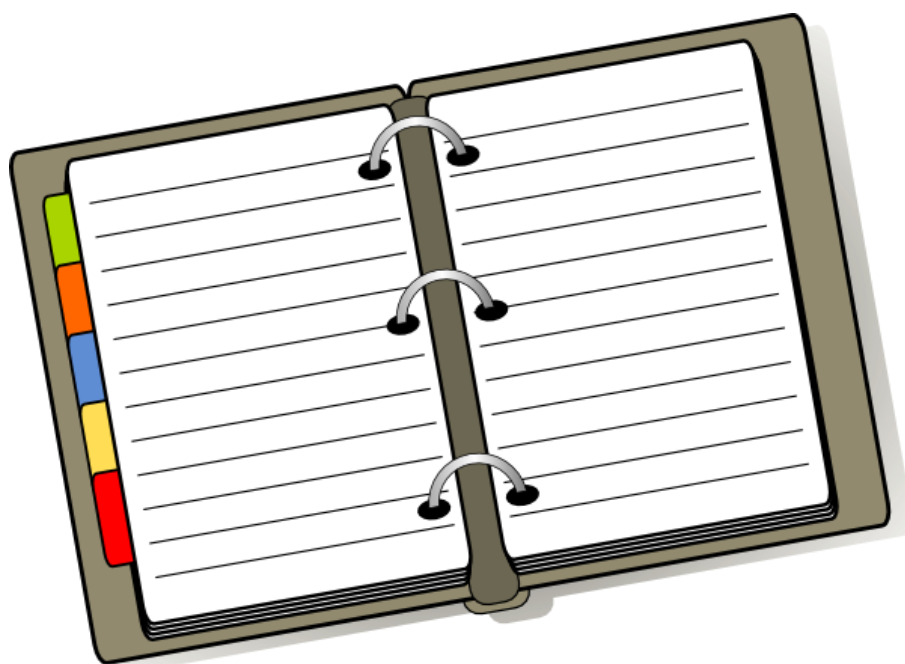
CRAFTS & GAMES

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

*For families attending Sunday Services

Dates For Your Diary...



Mon 23rd June: Y6 at Junior Citizens in Gold Street

Weds 25th June: Sports Day at St Peter's School (AM: KS2, PM: EYFS/KS1)

Thurs 26th June: KS2 Midsummer Dancing (PM)

Mon 30th June - Weds 2nd July: Y6 Residential at Longtown

Weds 9th July: ReSolve in for Y6 children

Fri 11th July: End of Year Reports out

Y6 perform A Midsummer Night's Dream (time TBC)

Mon 14th July: Whole School Transition Day

Weds 16th July: Rocksteady Concert - Weds chn (2pm)

Parent drop-ins - meet the new teacher/ discuss report (3.30-5pm)

Fri 18th July: FoH Non-Uniform Day

FoH Summer Fair

Rocksteady Concert - Fri chn (2pm)

Thurs 24th July: Y6 Graduation (afternoon - time TBC)

Y6 Leavers' Party

Fri 25th July: Break Up and Y6 Leavers' Arch
