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Dear Parents and Carers,

Parents Evening

A reminder that Parent's Evenings will be held on Tuesday (17th) and Thursday (19th) from 3.30-6.00pm. Please 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 face-to-face in school. Bookings will close on Monday (16th) at 4 pm for Tuesday bookings and Wednesday (18th) at 4 pm for Thursday bookings.

Y4 Residential

Year 4 had a wonderful time on residential this week at The Frontier Centre in Irthlingborough. They enjoyed lots of activities including walking the plank and archery and came back exhausted! A big thank you to Mr Lewis for leading the trip along with Miss Bell and Mrs King who accompanied them and Mr Lewin who drove the children there and back in the minibus. And a huge well done to the children, who were well behaved, polite, respectful and enthusiastic throughout - really displaying our Hawthorn values.

Playground Champions

This week our Playground Champions are:

- *Paisley*
 - *Freddie H*
 - *Nile*
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These children have been chosen as they have been seen helping others on the playground, displaying our Hawthorn values and engaging in positive playground behaviours. The Playground Champions will be awarded a special badge to wear for the week and five house points for their house! Well done children.

A reminder to the Champions: please bring your badges back on Friday, so they can be given to the next Playground Champions. Thank you.

Book Fair

A reminder that the Book Fair will be in school next week. Parents and carers are invited into school to browse the bookcases and purchase books. The fair is open from 3.30 - 4 pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Follow this link to see a selection of books which will be on sale.

The books - Travelling Book Fairs

*On the day payment should be made by scanning the QR code which will be on display. **No cash will be accepted.***

Class Photographs

Links to your child's class photograph were sent out last week. For free delivery to school please order by Thursday 19th March. Follow the link, order via the Tempest website or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk. Call 01736 751555 for assistance.

KS1 & KS2 Parent & Child Easter Event

Booking has now closed for this event and parents should have received confirmation on MCAS. There are still a couple of spaces left on the Tuesday sessions. Please message Miss Larkin direct to book on these remaining sessions.

If for any reason you can't make your booked session, please let us know so that someone else can make use of the space.

All children not attending the sessions will have the opportunity to make their design in lunch club.

We look forward to welcoming you 😊

EYFS Come and Play Easter Sessions

This is a wonderful opportunity to spend quality time together and to join your EYFS child and their friends in a range of fun activities. Easter cake will be provided 😊

To ensure that as many children as possible are able to take part, we kindly ask that only one adult attends per family due to capacity limits. Booking will close on Wednesday 18th March.

Booking Links:

Apples class come and play - Friday 20th March - 1.10 - 1.50 pm – Fill in form

Cherries come and play - Friday 20th March - 2.20 - 3 pm – Fill in form

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Emma Jacox

Head Teacher

SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

Every book you buy earns **FREE BOOKS** for our school!

COME TO OUR BOOK FAIR

AND FIND YOUR NEXT FAVOURITE READ!

DOG MAN: Big Jim Believes
 Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Party Pooper
 Pokémon: MEGA EVOLUTION HANDBOOK
 Capybara Kingdom
 The Scarecrows' Wedding
 TOM GATES PESKY PETS PARTIES

GO ALL IN.
 National Year of Reading 2020

DATE: WC 16th March (Mon, Tues, Weds, Thurs) TIME: 3.30 - 4 pm

LOCATION: **SCHOOL HALL**

Scan to pay securely online!

School Events Guidance

As a school, we are proud to offer a wide range of additional activities and events for our pupils and parents, helping to enrich children's experiences and strengthen our school community.

Please note that, due to capacity and health and safety considerations, some events will have limited places available. In addition, bookings will close by a specified deadline to allow us sufficient time to plan effectively, organise resources, and prepare registers.

We appreciate your understanding and continued support, and we look forward to welcoming you to our events throughout the year.

School Uniform Discount Code

School Uniform Discount Code

Parents can enjoy 10% off school uniform orders at MyClothing by entering the code below at checkout.

Code: MYCQ110

Expires: 31/03/2026

Link: myclothing.com/discount/MYCQ110

Spring Term Sports Clubs

Please see below details of this term's Sports Clubs, run by EcoCoach. All clubs will run from 3.30-4.30pm and cost £5 per session (Pupil Premium discount available).

Reception and KS1: Pokemon & K Pop Demon Hunters Club

Starts: 25 Feb 2026 (Wednesdays, 5 sessions)

KS2: Football Club

Starts: 24 Feb 2026 (Wednesdays, 5 sessions)

Please see below for details of how to book



ECOCOACH CIC PRESENTS
AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY CLUBS AT
HAWTHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL
STARTING 24TH FEBRUARY 2026

ECOCOACH CIC ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THE LAUNCH OF OUR NEW AFTER-SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS FOR KS1 (INCLUDING RECEPTION) AND KS2 CHILDREN, OFFERING AN ENGAGING AND FUN-FILLED OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP NEW SKILLS, STAY ACTIVE, AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS!

**KS1 POKÉMON & K-POP DEMON HUNTERS CLUB: STARTS: 25TH FEBRUARY 2026 (WEDNESDAYS, 5 SESSIONS)
 YEAR GROUPS: RECEPTION, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2**

KS2 FOOTBALL CLUB: STARTS: 24TH FEBRUARY 2026 (TUESDAYS, 5 SESSIONS) YEAR GROUPS: YEARS 3 - 6

**⌚ TIME: 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
 💷 COST PER SESSION: £5**

**DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE:
 WE'RE COMMITTED TO MAKING CHILDCARE MORE AFFORDABLE:
 15% OFF FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN ON FREE SCHOOL MEALS (FSM)
 10% OFF FOR NHS, MILITARY, OR BLUE LIGHT CARD HOLDERS**

**TO CLAIM YOUR DISCOUNT:
 EMAIL GREENOFFICE@ECO-COACH.CO.UK WITH A PHOTO OF YOUR EVIDENCE (FSM ELIGIBILITY OR VALID ID).
 WE'LL SEND YOU A UNIQUE DISCOUNT CODE TO USE WHEN BOOKING.**

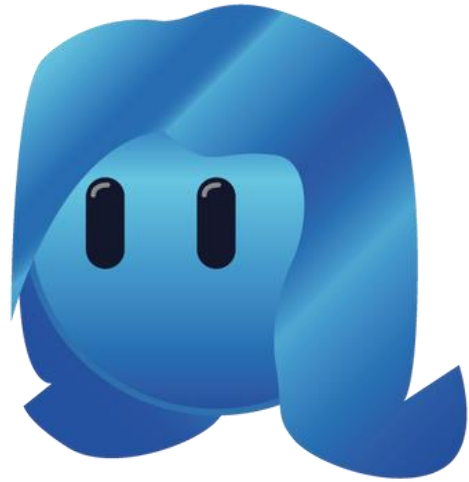
**HOW TO BOOK:
 PARENTS CAN CHOOSE TO BOOK INDIVIDUAL SESSIONS OR THE WHOLE TERM.
 THE MAXIMUM CAPACITY IS 20 CHILDREN PER SESSION, AND 5 SPOTS ARE RESERVED FOR FSM CHILDREN.
 IF THESE SPOTS ARE NOT FILLED, THOSE ON THE WAITING LIST WILL BE OFFERED PLACES. IF THERE'S HIGH DEMAND, WE WILL CONSIDER ADDING AN ADDITIONAL COACH TO ACCOMMODATE MORE CHILDREN. BOOKINGS ARE FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED, AND ONLINE PAYMENT ONLY.**

BOOKING LINK: [HTTPS://PBBL.UK/ECOCOACHCIC](https://pbbl.uk/ecocoachcic)

WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO A FANTASTIC TERM OF SPORTS, TEAMWORK, AND FUN! HURRY AND SECURE YOUR SPOT NOW! FOR ANY ENQUIRIES, PLEASE CONTACT GREENOFFICE@ECO-COACH.CO.UK



House Points so far...



Click on the cards to see which house is in the lead so far!! It's getting close at the top!

Air - 1046 points

Fire - 1059 points

Earth - 1134 points

Water - 1159 points

What Parents and Carers Need to Know About...Streaming Services

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 STREAMING SERVICES

Streaming services are platforms that allow users to watch cartoons, documentaries and movies online immediately (often referred to as SVoD: streaming videos on demand). Ofcom reported that children and young adults prefer streaming services to traditional TV. With two-thirds of UK households subscribing to at least one streaming service, parents must understand how to manage screen time, set age restrictions and ensure safe viewing.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

COSTLY

Subscription services can be costly. As the main source of entertainment, most households have at least one streaming platform, and each platform has its own monthly subscription fee. Services are charging more for ad-free viewing, and better quality and resolution; however, there is a cheaper option with adverts. Due to price increases, Netflix and Disney+ reported a sharp increase in users subscribing to their ad-supported tier in 2025.

ILLEGAL STREAMING

Sharing passwords or using modified Fire Sticks to access streaming content without permission is illegal. Most streaming services have now put measures in place to detect account sharing. When account sharing is identified, platforms will offer an opportunity to pay for an added member or will ask the user to verify who they are.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Most streaming platforms allow users to set up a profile for each family member with the option of putting specific restrictions in place. These include adding a profile lock or PIN, controlling autoplay of previews and next episodes, and limiting content based on age ratings. Nonetheless, these restrictions aren't foolproof. Content which is rated as suitable for an age group may still include themes, language, or images which children and families find inappropriate.

EXCESSIVE SCREEN TIME

Excessive screen time contributes to sedentary behaviour and can negatively impact physical and mental health. Ofcom found that 4- to 15-year-olds averaged 2.5 hours per day across all video-sharing platforms, not including gaming. The vast range of content available, combined with features such as autoplay, makes it easy for children to watch for extended periods of time.

BINGE WATCHING

Features such as autoplay make it easy for viewers – especially young people – to continue watching episodes without a break. This can foster unhealthy and addictive patterns, such as consuming a vast amount of content in one sitting. With binge watching come a lack of social interaction, lack of physical exercise, and often late nights and sleep disruptions which impact their mental and physical wellbeing.

HARMFUL STEREOTYPES

Many platforms track viewing habits, time consumed, and preferences, and generate recommendations to encourage your child to keep watching. This results in your child being in a 'loop' whereby they think the 'recommended' shows would be something they would enjoy rather than thinking critically for themselves. This can shape their beliefs, values, and understanding of the world from a young age without even realising it.

Advice for Parents & Educators

SET UP INDIVIDUAL PROFILES AND ADD PINS

Almost all streaming services allow users to set up individual profiles where each family member can have age restrictions put in place for the content they can view. Adult profiles can be protected through the use of PIN. Keep this private. Use the options of putting specific restrictions in place such as controlling autoplay of previews and next episodes, and limiting content based on age ratings.

TALK ABOUT ALGORITHMS

Talk to your child about how streaming services track what they watch, and base adverts and recommended shows/movies on previous viewing. Encourage them to critically think about whether the recommendations are suitable and how they want to spend their time. Discuss stereotypes with your child and challenge them to think about what they watch and how this may influence their beliefs.

MONITOR AND TALK OFTEN

Discuss with your child what they are watching, find out which programmes are trending, and watch them yourself. Have a little look at their watch history to check the content of what they're watching. Some platforms have been known to recommend or autoplay older or graphic content after a child's movie has been played. While some TV shows or movies may have a suitable age rating, your child may still find the content scary, or it may explore themes you don't want to explore with your child yet.

SET TIME RESTRICTIONS

Many streaming services offer the opportunity to buy movies, or add additional features to your subscription such as sports channels, as well as play games. This can increase the amount of time young people spend sitting idly in front of the screen. Some platforms (e.g. Apple TV+) allow you to set screen time restrictions. If the streaming service doesn't allow you to set screen time limits, set a family rule and stick to it.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian Government, comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.

See full reference list on our website

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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](https://www.internetmatters.org/talking-with-your-child-about-social-media/)

Community News & Events



Presented by Glendon District Scout Council
Involving Scouts & Guides of the Corby & Kettering Area

**GLENDON
GANGSHOW
LOUD AND PROUD**

Weds 11th - Sat 14th March
2026

Nightly 7.15pm (Matinee Sat) 2.15pm
The Core at Corby Cube

Box Office: 01536 470470
thecorecorby.com

Scouts  The Core at Corby Cube  Girlguiding

GAMES | MUSIC | FOOD | FUN

LAKELANDS HOSPICE

EASTER

FAMILY FUN DAY

🥚 SATURDAY, 4TH APRIL 2026 🥚 11:00AM - 3:00PM 🥚

Enjoy our Easter Egg Hunt, lots of stalls with crafts, games, delicious food and plenty of fun for all ages. A perfect day out for the whole family!

LAKELANDS HOSPICE, BUTLAND ROAD, CORBY, NN18 8LX

For more info please email - fundraising@lakelandshospice.org.uk

COMMUNITY - CREATIVITY - CONNECTION

ANALOGUE AFTERNOONS

FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH 1-4PM
ST MICHAEL'S, 33 GARFIELD ST, KETTERING, NN15 6BU

**COME TOGETHER TO BUILD COMMUNITY
IN A TIME OF SCREENS & SOCIAL MEDIA**

BRING YOUR OWN CRAFTS,
BOOKS, GAMES & HOBBIES

SHARE SUPPLIES & SKILLS

TAKE PART IN CREATIVE
COMMUNITY PROJECTS

KIDS ZONE
LEGO, CRAFTS
& GAMES IN A
SAFE SPACE
MUST ATTEND WITH A
RESPONSIBLE ADULT

EVERYONE IS WELCOME - FREE OF CHARGE

XPLORER



Xplorer is a family friendly navigation challenge that is educational and fun and gives children a sense of adventure as they explore the park to find markers.

Easter 2026 events:

- **Monday 30th March 1 – 3pm:** Thrapston, Peace Park (NN14 4JU)
- **Thursday 2nd April 1 – 3pm:** Rushden, Hall Park (NN10 9ES)
- **Tuesday 7th April 1 – 3pm:** Wellingborough, Swanspool Gardens (NN8 1BP)
- **Wednesday 8th April 1 – 3pm:** Corby, Kingswood Neighbourhood Centre (NN18 9HU)
- **Thursday 9th April 10am – 12:** Twywell Hills and Dales (NN14 4DZ)
- **Thursday 9th April 1 – 3pm:** Kettering, The Green Patch (NN16 0LU)

NO NEED TO BOOK

FREE TO JOIN

For more information contact:

activefamilies@northnorthants.gov.uk



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AT P&P



DATE: SUNDAY 15 March

TIME: 2-4PM

Important Information: Inside the Church! Suitable for all!

Tuck Shop available!

Further details from Linda: 07709 265763

Messy Mayhem Creative Play

Wednesday afternoons, 1-2pm

St Michael's Church, Garfield Street

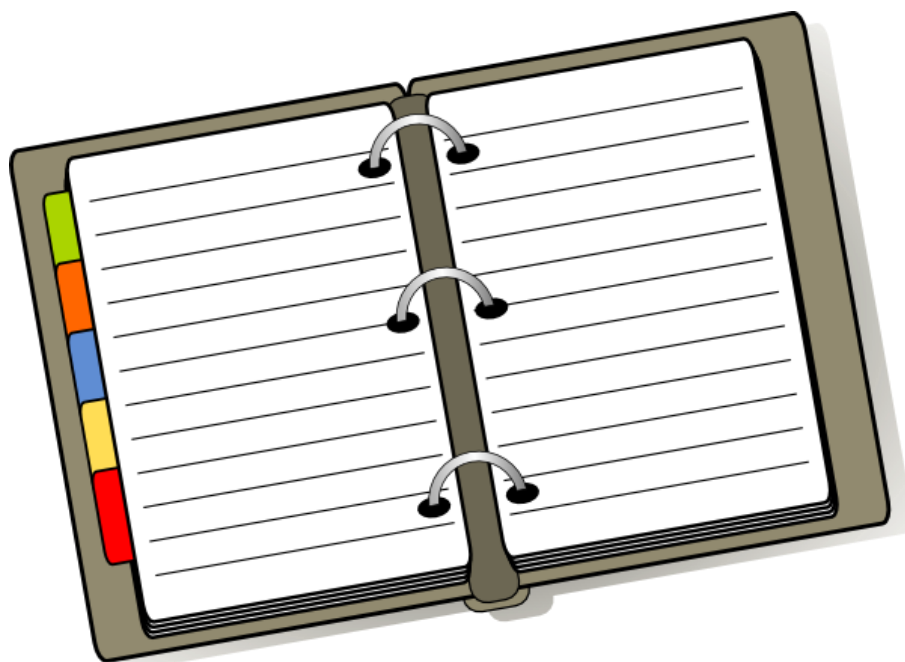
£6 per child

Suitable for children from when they can sit!

Come and spend some time with your little one exploring different textures, sights, sounds and smells.

For more info contact Linda at MessyMayhemCP@outlook.com

Dates For Your Diary...



Fri 13th Mar: FoH Mother's Day Stall

Y4 Residential return

Mon 16th Mar: 2.15 - 3 pm - KS1 & KS2 Easter Parent & Child Event

3.30 pm Book Fair in the school hall

Tues 17th Mar: 1.15 - 2 pm - KS1 & KS2 Easter Parent & Child Event

Parent's Evening (3.30-6pm)

3.30 pm Book Fair in the school hall

Weds 18th Mar: EYFS/KS1 Celebration Assembly - invite only (2.15pm)

3.30 pm Book Fair in the school hall

Thurs 19th Mar: KS2 Celebration Assembly - invite only (2.15pm)

Parents Evening (3.30 - 6pm)

3.30 pm Book Fair in the school hall

Fri 20th Mar: Comic Relief

1.10 - 1.50 pm Apples Come & Play

2.20 - 3 pm Cherries Come & Play

Mon 23rd Mar: 2.15 - 3 pm KS1 & KS2 Easter Parent & Child Event

Tues 24th Mar: 1.15 - 2 pm - KS1 & KS2 Easter Parent & Child Event

Reception heights and weights

Thurs 26th Mar: Y2 Cake Sale (3.10pm)

Break Up

Fri 27th Mar: Training Day (no children in school)

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

Mon 13th April : School reopens after Easter break



ANCHORED SCHOOLS



GOLD AWARD