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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very hot week here at Hawthorn, thank you for your support in sending children to school in sun-cream and caps. Although some of the events we were looking forward to were cancelled, we've had fun with lots of water play this week to help keep the children cool. It has been lovely to see them having fun, but I think we'll all be glad when the thunder storms arrive!

The Playground

A couple of reminders please about our playground at home-time:

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- please make sure you are not using mobile phones on our school site. This is for safeguarding purposes.*
 - Please exit through the gate from which you collected your child. For KS1 and KS2 families, this will be the Broadway Gate, and for EYFS families, the Hawthorn Gate.*
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To help us ensure the safety of all children, we ask that parents do not walk through the playground to the opposite gate. Instead, please walk around the outside of the school site.

This enables staff to maintain clear supervision of the children who remain in our care and helps ensure that every child leaves safely with the correct adult.

Midsummer Dancing

On Thursday (2nd) 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!

Ice Lolly Sale

*We are excited to be holding an ice lolly sale on **Friday (3rd)**. This is a fundraising event, and all proceeds will go towards resources for upcoming parents' events.*

*Ice lollies will be **£1 each** and children will be able to enjoy them during morning playtime . You can purchase your child's ice lolly now on MCAS.*

*If your child has any **dietary requirements or allergies** that mean they cannot have an ice lolly, please message **Miss Larkin on Dojo** to discuss an alternative. (Please note, this is for allergies and dietary needs only, not preferences.)*

We are looking forward to the excitement of this special playtime treat and would like to thank you for your continued support!

The Tempest

On Friday (3rd), Y6 will be hosting their performance of The Tempest. The children have been working hard, alongside Leigh Wolmarans from Silhouette Youth Theatre, to bring this classic Shakespeare play to life, and we can't wait for you to see it!

Performances will be held at

- 1:30 – 2:30 pm*
- 3:30 – 4:30 pm*

Year 6 parents - please book your tickets by Monday (29th) on the following link [The Tempest](#). Due to hall capacity we are able to offer a maximum of two tickets per family.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to seeing you at the performance!

EYFS Cake Sale

The cake sale has been postponed to Friday 3rd July. All monies raised will go towards school events, such as Toast & Tales and Celebration Assemblies.

Hawthorn World Cup Project

Our Hawthorn World Cup Project continued today with children learning about their next country! There were again some great events and activities going on around school; the children have already learnt so much about the different countries! Thank you to all the parents who have offered to be in goal for our penalty shoot-out which starts on 6th July...the children have been practising their shots!!

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Emma Jacox

Head Teacher









Summer Holiday Camp

Bookings are now open for our Summer Holiday Camp, run by EcoCoach from 3rd - 28th August. Please see the flyer below for further details and how to book.



ECOCOACH CIC PRESENTS

Summer Activity Camp

Hawthorn Primary School

Games & Sports · Movement & Dance · Arts & Crafts · Yoga · Nerf Challenges

DATES:
Dates: 3rd August - 28th August 2026

TIMES: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Late pick-up (4:00 PM) available for £5.

Ages: 5 - 11 years. 4-year-olds welcome for half-days (9:00 AM to 1:00 PM).

WHO CAN JOIN: Open to all schools - all abilities welcome! SEND friendly & fully inclusive!

PRICING AND DISCOUNTS: EARLY BIRD 17% OFF available until 1st July (USE CODE: EcoSummer17)
 Standard prices apply from 2nd July £25 per day, 15% OFF for FSM, 10% OFF for NHS and Military families. (Cannot be combined with the early bird offer).

BOOKING: Visit <https://jpbbl.uk/EcoCoachCIC> or scan the QR code to secure your space.

WHY ECOCOACH?

We are a not-for-profit coaching CIC working in schools across your community. Every child matters, every penny goes back into supporting inclusive, joyful, child-led sport.

Our camps are designed around what children need most: freedom, fun, friendship and movement.

"EVERY CHILD SEEN, EVERY CHILD SUPPORTED"





This Week's Playground Champions

The Lunchtime Supervisors have chosen these children as this week's Playground Champions:

Harry in Cherries

Jahfari in Oaks

Felicity in Cedars

Well done children - you have all shown brilliant behaviours on the playground, playing respectfully and supporting others...and have earned 5 House Points for your house!!! Keep up the good work!

Summer 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 £5.50 per session (Pupil Premium discount available).

Reception and KS1: Obstacle Course

Starts: 3rd June 2026 (Wednesdays, 8 sessions)

KS2: Basketball Club

Starts: 2nd June 2026 (Tuesdays, 8 sessions)

Please see below for details of how to book.



ECOCOACH CIC PRESENTS
AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY CLUBS AT
HAWTHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL
STARTING 2 JUNE 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 OBSTACLE COURSE CLUB: STARTS: 3RD JUNE 2026 (WEDNESDAYS, 8 SESSIONS) YEAR GROUPS: RECEPTION, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2

KS2 BASKETBALL CLUB: STARTS: 2ND JUNE 2026 (TUESDAYS, 8 SESSIONS) YEAR GROUPS: YEARS 3 – 6

🕒 TIME: 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM
💷 COST PER SESSION: £5.50

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





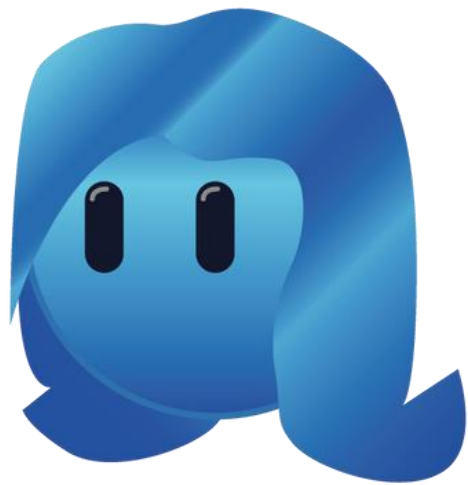
ReachMoreParents

ReachMoreParents - New Parent App

You will have received details of how to login to our new parent App ReachMoreParents. We are now no longer using MCAS for messaging parents, however please continue to use MCAS to make payments to the school for activities relating to this academic year. Please download and login to the ReachMoreParents App so that you don't miss any messages from school.

In September we will be moving to ParentPay for payments and we will be sending login details out before the end of term so that you can book Breakfast and After School Clubs on ParentPay for September.

House Points so far...



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

Air - 1783 points

What Parents and Carers Need to Know about...Invoice Fraud

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. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](https://www.thenationalcollege.com).

What Educators Need to Know about INVOICE FRAUD

Invoice fraud, including payment diversion fraud, occurs when criminals deceive you into paying a fake invoice or redirect a genuine payment into their own bank account. Fraudsters may impersonate suppliers, intercept emails, or send convincing invoices to prompt urgent payment into fraudulent accounts. It is one of the most common and costly forms of financial crime affecting individuals, businesses, and schools.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

COMMUNICATIONS CLAIMING URGENCY
Communications that claim to be urgent or highlight late payments may be a key sign. Fraudsters often apply pressure to rush decisions and stop checks. Take a moment to verify the request using trusted contacts before making any payment.

CHANGES TO BANK DETAILS
Receiving messages saying a regular supplier has changed their bank account details can be a warning sign. Fraudsters may impersonate contacts to redirect payments. Always verify changes first using known supplier contact details.

DISCREPANCIES AGAINST PREVIOUS INVOICES
Be wary of invoice details that don't match authentic, previously issued invoices, such as amounts, reference numbers or contact names. Fraudsters often alter small details to avoid detection. Always query any differences using your supplier's contact details.

MINOR EMAIL CHANGES
Look out for slight changes to a supplier's email address, such as extra characters or spelling differences. Fraudsters often use similar looking addresses to appear genuine. Always check the sender carefully and verify any concerns using known contact details before responding or making a payment.

UNEXPECTED PAYMENT REQUESTS
Invoices or payment requests for goods or services you do not recognise can be a warning sign. Fraudsters may send false invoices hoping they will be paid without question. Check records and confirm with the supplier before processing any unfamiliar request.

UNUSUAL LANGUAGE OR TONE
Messages with unusual wording, grammar or spelling compared to your usual supplier communications may indicate fraud. Criminals often copy legitimate messages but may not match the usual tone or style. The rise in artificial intelligence (AI) means errors are no longer as common or obvious. Be cautious and verify the request if anything seems out of place.

WE NEED PAYING NOW!

Advice for Parents & Educators

VERIFY BANK DETAILS
Always confirm any change to a supplier's bank details before making a payment. Use a trusted phone number or a long-standing contact you have used before, not the details provided in the request. This helps ensure you are dealing with a genuine supplier and prevents payments being redirected to fraudsters.

CROSS-CHECK INVOICES
Compare new invoices with those previously issued by the supplier in question. Check key details such as amounts, bank details, reference numbers and contact information. Differences may indicate fraud, so always investigate and verify anything that does not match before making a payment.

DUAL PAYMENT APPROVAL
Ask a trusted person to review and approve high-value payments. A second set of eyes can help spot unusual details or warning signs that might otherwise be missed. This adds an extra layer of control and reduces the risk of errors or fraudulent payments being processed.

REPORT FRAUD QUICKLY
If you suspect fraud, act immediately. Contact your bank using 159 or their official number and report it to Report Fraud online or by calling 0300 123 2040. Keep all emails and documents. For more guidance, or to register for counter fraud alerts, see the counter fraud guidance. You can find the Invoice fraud leaflet on the National Crime Agency website.

Meet Our Expert
Evan Williams is a counter fraud manager at the Department for Education. Having led the function there for many years, he now focuses on continual improvement, communication, and innovation. He proudly oversaw the growth of the counter fraud team during the pandemic, having worked in counter fraud for 16 years since starting his civil service career with the National Crime Agency back in 2010.

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Online Safety and Scams

Please see the link below for this month's Online Safety video from Knowsley Council:

[Online Safety and Scams](#)

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](#)

Join our School Lottery



- 1 JOIN OUR LOTTERY** 
- 2 BOOST SCHOOL FUNDS** 
- 3 WIN CASH PRIZES** 

It's As Easy As



- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- The easy way to help us raise funds
- Local cash prizes every week
- Chance to win the £25k jackpot



Scan to play!

To start supporting, visit:
yourschoollottery.co.uk
and search for: Hawthorn Community

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older

Community News & Events

REPAIR CAFE Kettering



BIN IT? NO WAY!

KETTERING'S GOT A REPAIR CAFÉ!

Got something broken? Bring your:

Kitchen knives
Textiles & clothing
Small appliances
Well-loved toys
Bicycles
Electronics
Jewellery
and more!



For a voluntary contribution, our volunteers will help fix your items while teaching you valuable repair skills. Let's reduce waste, save money and extend the life of our favourite things!

Refreshments and cakes available in our café while you wait.



WHEN?

2026 DATES

Feb 21 | May 16

Sep 19 | Nov 28

10am-1pm

WHERE?

ST MICHAEL'S
CHURCH
33 GARFIELD ST
KETTERING
NN15 6BU

Do I need to book?

No, just turn up with your item.



If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help, contact repaircafekettering@gmail.com

COMMUNITY - CREATIVITY - CONNECTION

ANALOGUE AFTERNOONS

FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH 1-4PM

ST MICHAEL'S, GARFIELD ST, KETTERING, NN15 6BU

**COME TOGETHER TO BUILD COMMUNITY
ENJOY TIME AWAY FROM 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

Messy Mayhem Creative Play

Wednesday afternoons, 1-2pm

St Michael's Church, Garfield Street

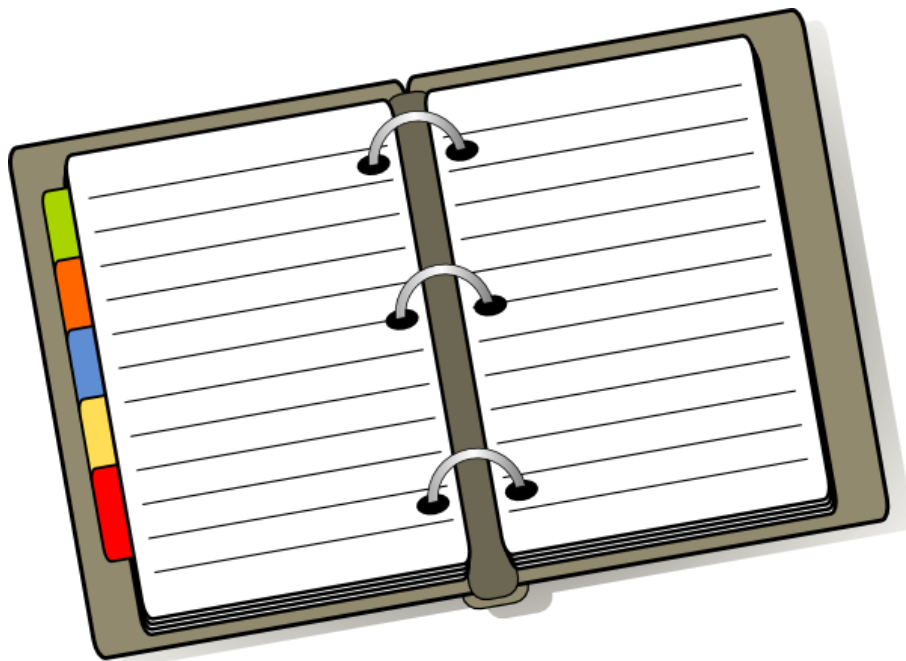
£6 per child

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 26th Jun: World Cup focus: Country 3

Mon 29th Jun: Transition Lunch Clubs in school

Thurs 2nd July: KS2 Midsummer Dancing (pm)

New Reception 2026 intake session (1.30 - 2.30 pm)

Fri 3rd July: Y6 perform *The Tempest* (1.30-2.30pm and 3.30-4.30pm)

EYFS Cake Sale

Mon 6th July: *Transition Day*

Hawthorn penalty shoot out starts

Tues 7th July: *Year 3 Ukelele Concert to parents (2.30 pm)*

Fri 10th July: *End of Year Reports go out*

World Cup focus: Country 4

Tues 14th July: *LKS2 trip to Holdenby House*

Weds 15th July: *Sports Day at St Peter's: AM-KS2, PM- EYFS/KS1*

5-year-old dental survey

Rocksteady Concert (2.30 pm)

3.40-5pm: Parent drop-ins

Thurs 16th July: *ISM Music Concert (1.30 pm)*

Grand final penalty shoot-out

Fri 17th July: *Rocksteady Concert (2 pm)*

Tues 21st July: *UKS2 trip to Twin Lakes*

EYFS/KS1 Celebration Assembly - invite only (2.15pm)

Weds 22nd July: *KS2 Celebration Assembly - invite only (9am)*

House Picnic & Winners' Ceremony - chn only (Kingswood packed lunches only)

Thurs 23rd July: Y6 Graduation (pm - time TBC)

Y6 Leavers' Party (5-7pm)

Fri 24th July: Y6 Leaver's Arch (3pm)

Break Up



ANCHORED SCHOOLS



GOLD AWARD