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

End of Year Reports (YR-5)

Today you will receive your child's End of Year Report by email. Please take the time to read this and share successes with your children. We are almost at the end of this school year and we are all very proud of how our children continue to grow and learn, becoming respectful members of our school community.

*If you have any questions about your child's report, or wish to touch base with their new teacher, there will be a drop-in on Weds (15th) from 3.30-5pm. There is no requirement to make an appointment in advance. **Please note: due to the national delay in SATs results, Y6 reports will go out on Friday July 17th.***

Sports Day

On Wednesday (15th) we will be holding our school Sports Day at St Peter's Independent School. KS2 will take place from 9.30-11.30am (gates open at 9.15am) and EYFS/KS1 will be held from 1.00-3pm (gates open at 12.45). The 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. Strictly no alcohol on site or you will be asked to leave.

 **Become a Year 6 Ambassador!** 

Are you a positive role model? Do you enjoy helping others and making a difference around school?

We are looking for enthusiastic, responsible and friendly **Year 6 Ambassadors** to represent Hawthorn from Sept 2026, with pride.

As an ambassador, you could:

- Welcome visitors to our school
 - Support new pupils and their families
 - Help at school events
 - Represent Hawthorn at special occasions
 - Be a role model for younger children
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If you are a kind, reliable, confident Year 5, who always strives to do your best, we'd love you to apply!

Applications are now open to Y5 children – be creative, we welcome speeches, posters, letters, presentations...Get them in by Weds 15th to be considered. We can't wait to hear why you'd make a fantastic Hawthorn Ambassador!

LKS2 Trip to Holdenby House

On Tuesday (14th) LKS2 will be visiting Holdenby House to experience life as a Victorian servant. Your child will need to wear a servant costume for the day - do remember that costumes need to be very basic as the children will be servants, not gentry! Please remember to take a packed lunch and bottle of water, if you have not ordered lunch via Kingswood.

Friends of Hawthorn Summer Fun Day

The Friends of Hawthorn will be holding their annual Summer Fun Day for our children next Friday (17th). There will be lots of games, challenges and creative activities on offer! Tickets cost £2 via MCAS, please purchase by 9am on the day.

World Cup Project

⚽ We've had a great week celebrating our World Cup project and England's win last weekend! Our House Challenge Penalty Shoot-out has ran all week and we've seen some amazing penalties! 🗨️ Thank you to our guest goal-keepers who have made the event really special for our children - look out for some more next week as the challenge continues! Today our children learnt about their last country of the project. In Cedars, children were completing designs for Mexican sugar art, in Willows children were clicking on QR codes to learn about the different countries in the World Cup and Redwoods were researching Belgium. Ash class were re-creating some detailed South African art work and in Early Years, children were making Japanese fans and learning the language! And then to finish the afternoon, we danced to Shakira in Oaks and enjoyed Elm class' Brazilian Carnival! What a great end to a brilliant project this has been!

Have a lovely weekend and good luck England!! ⚽🇬🇧🇬🇧🇬🇧

Best wishes,

Emma Jacox

Head Teacher











Hawthorn Pre-loved Uniform Sale

16th July at 3pm

An opportunity to purchase preloved uniform.

£2 Hawthorn branded items,

£1 non branded.

Please enter the school playground from the Broadway gate if you wish to purchase uniform, and then go to your normal gate to collect your child at the usual time.

We look forward to seeing you there and helping you stock up on school uniform at affordable prices!

Remember if you would like to get involved with Friends of Hawthorn they are always welcoming new members or event volunteers, please email them on friendsofhawthornkettering@gmail.com

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://pbb.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:

- *Laurence*
- *Oakley - Redwoods*

- *Noah - Cedars*
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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





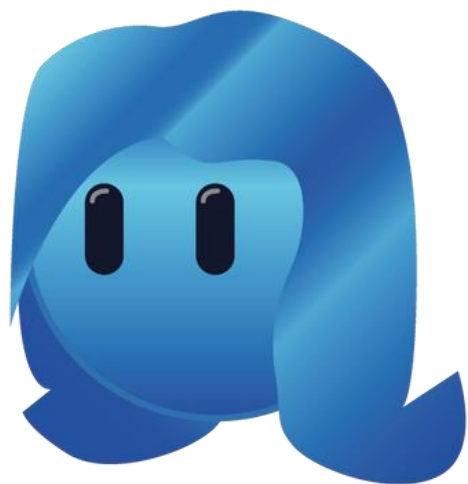
ReachMoreParents

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. Login details will be sent out next week by email. Please login as soon as you can so that any login issues are sorted before we close for the holidays. You will be able to make Breakfast and After School Clubs payments and residential trip payments immediately.

House Points so far...



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

Air - 1924 points

Fire - 2017 points

Water - 2075 points

Earth - 2136 points

Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow!



Elm has taken the lead with 99% this week. Fantastic !

Elm: 99%

Willows: 97%

Redwoods: 97%

Cherries: 96%

Ash: 95%

Maples: 94%

Silver Birches: 94%

Oaks: 93%

Cedars: 92%

Apples: 90%

Top Tips for A Tech-Free Summer for Teens

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](#).

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

TECH-FREE SUMMER FOR TEENS

For many 11- to 18-year-olds, summer can quickly become screen heavy, especially when socialising, entertainment, and downtime all happen via their devices. Encouraging a tech-free summer isn't about banning technology altogether, but about helping young people rediscover friendship, creativity, independence, and the great outdoors. The NHS recommends that young people aged 5 to 18 aim for an average of at least 60 minutes of physical activity each day across the week.

- #### 1 BUILD OUTDOOR CHOICE

Teens are more likely to engage when they feel they have a level of control. Create a simple 'summer outdoors menu' with options such as cycling to a favourite café, playing rounders, visiting a skatepark, dog walking, photography walks, geocaching, or helping around the garden. Parents and educators can then ask young people to choose two or three activities each week that interest them.
- #### 2 PREPARE THE KIT

Small barriers can stop teenagers going outside, especially if they feel uncomfortable, too hot, or unprepared. Keep a grab bag with sun cream, water, snacks, plasters, a cap, period products, and a lightweight waterproof. During hot weather, plan shade, water breaks, and calmer activities, as vigorous exercise is not advised on very hot days.
- #### 3 TRY MICRO-ADVENTURES

Outdoor activities don't need to be expensive or complicated. A micro-adventure could be as simple as switching the garden, walking to a local viewpoint, making breakfast outside, visiting a new green space, or planning a bus journey to a nearby nature trail. Encourage teens to plan the route, snacks, and things themselves to help build their independence.
- #### 4 LINK TO REAL INTERESTS

A young person who dislikes sport may still enjoy being outside if the activity connects with something they already care about. Link outdoor time to music, art, animals, fashion, cooking, photography, or social interaction. Ideas include sketching in a park, making a nature playlist, filming a wildlife vlog script, or designing posters for a community garden.
- #### 5 CREATE SOCIAL PULL

For many teenagers, friends are the strongest motivator in various areas of life. Parents can invite one or two friends on walks, picnics, or garden games, while schools can promote lunchtime leagues, outdoor clubs, or summer meet-ups linked to existing interests. Make these activities feel social rather than supervised, with adults nearby for safety but not dominating the experience.
- #### 6 MAKE TRAVEL ACTIVE

Active travel is a practical way to build outdoor time into everyday routines. Encourage young people to walk, cycle, or scoot short journeys where it's safe to do so, such as to school, the library, a friend's house, or a sports club. Educators could run a summer 'active miles' challenge, with pupils logging their journeys completed on foot or by pedal.
- #### 7 USE PHONE-FREE CHALLENGES

Rather than simply saying, "Put your phone away", turn time spent offline into a shared challenge. Try a two-hour, phone-free park visit, a family evening walk, or a tutor-group challenge where pupils track their screen-free outdoor hours and share what they've been doing. You could all agree to keep devices in a box, bag, or classroom drawer, and allow for check-in time afterwards.
- #### 8 OFFER REAL RESPONSIBILITY

Teens often respond well when outdoor activities feel purposeful. Give them the responsibility for setting up a garden get-together, planning a picnic budget, leading a warm-up routine, mapping a walking route, or organising outdoor equipment. Schools could ask pupils to design an outdoor wellbeing trail, manage a sports rota, or support younger pupils during activity sessions.
- #### 9 REPLACE, DON'T REMOVE

If screens are taken away without an appealing alternative, young people may see outdoor time as a punishment. Replace gaming sessions with football drills, dance practice, basketball shots, treasure hunts, or card games outside. Replace screen scrolling with a 'boredom box' containing items like chalk, a frisbee, skipping ropes, playing cards, seed packets, or a disposable-style camera.
- #### 10 CELEBRATE SMALL WINS

Not every teenager will suddenly love the outdoors, so recognise their gradual progress. Celebrate a 20-minute walk, an hour at the park, a phone-free picnic lunch, or choosing to cycle instead of being driven around. Parents and educators can use praise, certificates, group displays, or simple shared reflection to show that outdoor effort matters.

Meet Our Expert
The National College provides expert-led training and resources to support schools, trusts and education settings worldwide. Its guidance helps parents and educators understand the issues affecting children and young people today, covering topics such as safeguarding, wellbeing, digital safety, and healthy development.

See full reference list on our website

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Online Safety and Scams

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

[Staying Safe During School Holidays](#)

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](#)

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

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



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and search for: Hawthorn Community

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older

Community News & Events

REPAIR CAFE Kettering



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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

FREE ENTRY

Analogue Afternoons

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

1PM - 4PM

SUNDAYS 9TH AUGUST & 13TH SEPT

BRING YOUR HOBBIES
TAKE PART IN CREATIVE COMMUNITY PROJECTS

ENJOY TIME AWAY FROM SCREENS
OUTSIDE IN NATURE

AT THE GREEN PATCH VALLEY WALK, KETTERING
NN16 0LU



KETTERING CARNIVAL

THE PARADE

DEPARTS FROM: THE GRANGE
AT 12 NOON
FINISHES: ROCKINGHAM PLEASURE PARK AT 1:30 PM
FETE STARTS AT 10AM!

Proudly supporting: Kettering Street Pastors - Charity No. 1127019

DISCO NIGHT
RAFFLE & BBQ
£2.50 ENTRY / 7.30PM - LATE
AT THE ATHLETIC CLUB 104 ROCKINGHAM RD, KETTERING NN16 9AE

SCAN FOR MORE INFO

SAT 11TH JULY 2026
ketteringcarnival@gmail.com

Open from 12pm until 4pm

Wed 5th August 2026
Celebrate at the home of Children's Play

FREE ENTRY
Parents pay on-site entry

Playday

Join us for a FREE, fun packed day full of activities the whole family can enjoy. Tickets and wristbands to enjoy Wicksteed Park's rides and attractions will also be available for purchase.

WICKSTEED PARK
SINCE 1921

Site availability & attractions subject to change for maintenance or during adverse weather. Car parking charges apply.

HOSTED BY HIGHFIELD BARNES COMMUNITY CENTRE

HIGHFIELD PARK FAMILY FUN DAY

18 JULY 2026 | 1-4 PM

HIGHFIELD RD, KETTERING, NN15 6JT

Want to get involved?
Contact Kelly on 07840 203186

FACE PAINTING BOUNCY CASTLE STALLS GAMES
RAFFLE TOMBOLA BBQ
COMMUNITY BOXERCISE DANCING
GROUPS
MUSIC ICE CREAM VAN EMERGENCY SERVICES AND MORE!
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YOUTHFEST AT THE GREENPATCH

AGES 11-18 (NO ADULTS)

Live Music • Pizza • Fruit Bar • Drumming
Arts+Crafts • Face Painting • Graffiti

No bookings, just come along and have fun

17TH JULY 2026 (4-9PM)

Green Patch : Valley Walk, Kettering, NN16 OLU
Call or text Edgeworth for more information : 07738070681



Messy Mayhem Creative Play

Wednesday afternoons, 1-2pm

St Michael's Church, Garfield Street

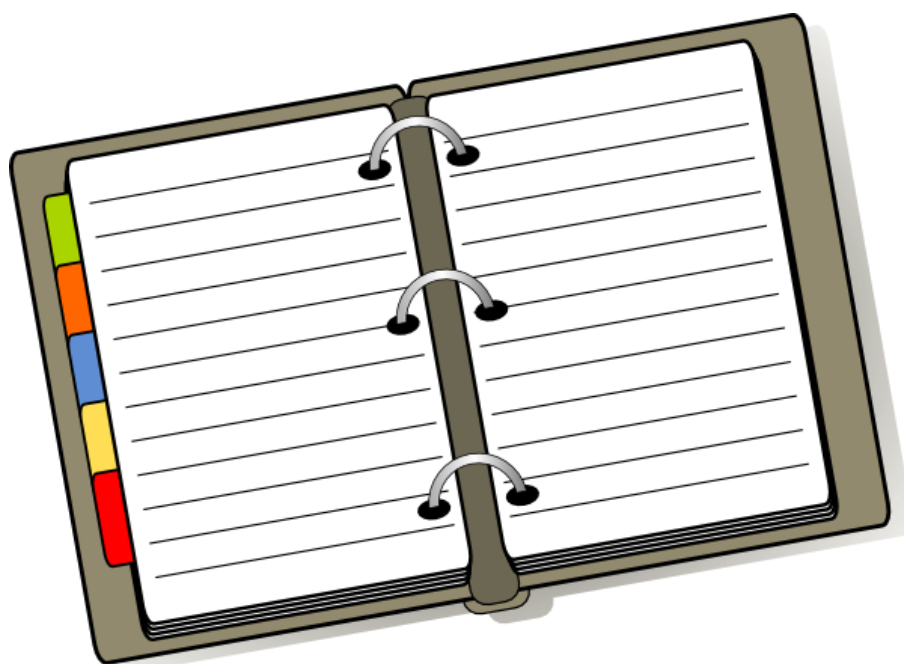
£6 per child

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 10th July: End of Year Reports go out (YR-5)

World Cup focus: Country 4

Mon: 13th July: House Penalty Shoot-Out continues

Tues 14th July: LKS2 trip to Holdenby House

Weds 15th July: Sports Day at St Peter's: 9.30am -KS2, 1pm- EYFS/KS1

5-year-old dental survey

Rocksteady Concert (2.30 pm)

3.40-5pm: Parent drop-ins

Thurs 16th July: Children to wear football kits or Hawthorn PE kit

Grand final penalty shoot-out

ISM Music Concert (1.30 pm)

Fri 17th July: Rocksteady Concert (2 pm)

FOH Summer Fun Day

End of Year Reports go out (Y6)

Tues 21st July: UKS2 trip to Twin Lakes

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

3.40pm: Choir Performance of Dragon Days

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

House Picnic & Winners' Ceremony - children 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