

# Hawthorn Community Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter 23.09.2016



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This week we have been happy to welcome our new reception children into school over the lunchtime period, in readiness for them starting full-time next week. I am happy to say that things went smoothly and that the majority of the children appeared to enjoy the experience – especially the opportunity to play with some of their new friends in the playground for a little longer. Can I please remind all parents that should you wish to take up the Infant Free School Meals, these must be ordered through the website [www.kingswoodcatering.co.uk](http://www.kingswoodcatering.co.uk). Orders for each week must be submitted by midnight on the Wednesday of the preceding week. If you require any assistance with this please contact our school office staff.

This week we have been busy on the footballing front at school and further details of our exploits can be read overleaf. On Tuesday it was the start of the new season's football league tournament for our year 5 and 6 children. A core group of year 6 boys will be participating in the event each week and this will be supplemented by other children from year 5 and 6 who took part in the trials, to ensure that as many children as possible have the opportunity to participate. Then on Wednesday it was the turn of our year 3 children, who had the opportunity to take part in a Football skills event. I am really pleased to report that Mr Hall was again very impressed by the behaviour and enthusiasm of all of those children who were involved in these events.

We were happy to welcome Wendy Scales from Parable Arts into school earlier this week to lead our assemblies. The children always look forward to Wendy's visits and this time she talked to the children about helping to raise children's self-esteem by encouraging others rather than squashing them.

### House Points for this Term

	Weekly total	Termly total
<b>Rockingham</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>148</b>
<b>Salcey</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>149</b>
<b>Sherwood</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>122</b>
<b>Thetford</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>159</b>

Well done to everyone in **Rockingham** this week

This term's leaders are:  
**THETFORD**

### E Safety

All of the children should have signed and returned their Acceptable Use Policy for the safe use of IT. It is vital that passwords remain confidential so that other children cannot access accounts. Parents may like to ask their children for the password to the learning platform in order to keep a check on the content of any e-mails that their children send and receive. Please alert us if you have any concerns.



## Playschool News

This week in Playschool, we have started to look at different fruit and vegetables. We are continuing with this next week, as we start to look at different food types. A huge thank you to our parents who donated fruit and vegetables for our Harvest Raffle.

Thank you  
Helen and the Team

### PFA NEWS

We are looking forward to seeing lots of new faces at the PFA AGM on 5th October- to be held at school.

We are looking for volunteers to help at the upcoming disco on the 20th October. This is a fun event to be part of and the children have a great night.

If you are able to help with the disco or any of our other events please contact us either via our Facebook page or via e mail

[Hawthornpfachair@aol.com](mailto:Hawthornpfachair@aol.com)

### **PARKING**

**New double yellow lines have been installed on all junctions surrounding the school. It is important that parents park legally – avoiding these areas and the zebra crossing – in order to keep our children safe.**

### **Dates for Your Diary:**

A full list of the dates for the year will be distributed to parents next week.

September	
w/b 26 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS children start full-time
October	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 screening by the School Nurse
5 <sup>th</sup>	PFA AGM at school
12 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Festival EYFS /KS1 9.15, KS2 10.15
14 <sup>th</sup>	Individual and family photos
w/b 17 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Interviews
20 <sup>th</sup>	PFA disco EYFS/KS1 5.45 – 7pm, KS2 7.15-8.30pm
21 <sup>st</sup>	Jam Jar Muffi End of Term 1

### Breakfast and After School Club

**Unfortunately one day this week we had to turn down two parents' requests for their child to attend the After School Club. This was because they did not inform us that they needed a space until the afternoon, all spaces were taken and we did not have time to arrange for more staff to cover the shift. Please contact the school office as early as you can if you require a space for your child, as this will give us enough time to contact staff (should we need to arrange more cover). We cannot guarantee that a space will be available should you contact us after midday.**

**Thank you.**

### **YEAR 3 SOCCER SKILLS CHALLENGE**

The baton was handed over to the champions from last years Soccer Skills Year 2 Challenge. The event took place on Wednesday afternoon at Southfield Sport Centre. The challenges were based on all facets of football and scored with times taken to complete the drill and then turned into points. Our squad who performed admirably well were Ellis, Seb, Haydn, Joe, Lucy, Toby, Joseph, Lewis, Felix and Joey. Not only did they produce high standards of ability they also behaved very well. Yet again the support from our parent community was fantastic as it was from our head cheerleader Mrs Nevett. The results are being put together for each individual and team as a whole and we will report back to you as soon as we get these confirmed.

### **MULTI SPORTS**

A new year of Multi Sports has begun in earnest. Year 1 and 2 on a Wednesday and KS2 on a Thursday. The children have been playing Hockey, Cricket, BenchBall, Boccia and Dodgeball. Over the next few weeks they will be given the opportunity to try out sports that took place in the Olympic and Paralympic Games over the summer. These will include Goalball, Handball, Sitting Volleyball and I am also hoping to get some Table Tennis equipment. Did anybody see the competitor who played with his mouth? If not Google it, as it is truly outstanding and inspirational. There are still places for the next 4 weeks if you would like your child to come along. The office has letters and we would be more than happy to see them.

**For further information, please use the school website: <http://www.hawthornprimarykettering.co.uk>**

**Thank you for your continued support.**

**Julie Clubley, Headteacher**