



# Hawthorn Community Primary School



## Weekly Newsletter 16/07/21



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This will be my final newsletter for this academic year and it seems impossible to believe that we have almost completed another year at Hawthorn. However, before thoughts can turn to a well-deserved break for everyone, we have a final few days of school to look forward to.

### EYFS

In EYFS we went on our long awaited school trip to Wicksteed Park. A fantastic day was had by all and the children were all very excited. First, we had a trip on the train for a journey around the park. The children all cheered and laughed when we went through the tunnel and it got very dark. After this the children played in the little playground. We had great fun showing off our climbing and sliding skills. Before we knew it, it was time for lunch. Mrs Billingham kindly drove our lunch up to us and we had a lovely picnic underneath a beautiful oak tree. Then we spent our afternoon playing games, kicking a football and hunting for bugs. Finally, it was home time and we started our slow walk back to school. You should all be so proud of your children, as they were so well behaved and polite whilst there. Members of the public even commented on the children's good behaviour and manners. In school this week we have been working on our transition booklets to give to our new teachers in Year 1, completing our rainbow challenges and making hats for our Ugly Bug Ball next week.

### KS1

We can't believe this is the penultimate week of term! In English, the children have been solving What am I? poems as well as writing their own. They have written poems about different places and habitats as well as rainforest animals. Maths lessons have focused on telling the time. Children have learnt to recognise o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to the hour. Our topic lessons have been creating individual books about the Amazon Rainforest using the research the children have been doing over the past few weeks. They are really coming along and we look forward to seeing the finished article. In Science, the children have sorted animals based on criteria they have chosen. During this week's DT lesson, the children evaluated their fruit bowl or kebab which they made last week. Many children decided they would prefer to make a fruit bowl next time because they get more fruit! On Friday, the children took part in their own sports day which they have been looking forward to all week.

### LKS2

As we approach the end of a very strange year and term, we are finishing our leaflets advertising different theme park attractions. The children have been very persuasive. In maths, we are wrapping up our work on shape, angles and symmetry. Our Park topic is ending with a focus on caring for our local environment and by thinking of ways to improve things locally so that nature and wildlife can live alongside humans happily. We continue to look at the animals who rely on the park as their home and look at the complex food chains that exist there. We have also had our own Sports afternoon with Willows, Redwoods and Silver Birches all taking part. Fun was had by all. Finally, as this is the last newsletter, all of LKS2 staff would like to thank-you for all of your support over this very difficult year. We wish you a happy and restful Summer break.

### UKS2

It's been another fantastic week for UKS2. The big event of the week has been Sports Day. The children had so much fun and it was brilliant to hear them cheering each other on and taking part in different sporting activities. It was so good for children who love sport to be able have a chance to shine. In other UKS2 news, the children have continued to develop their enquiry skills by planning and carrying out investigations based around air resistance, water resistance and levers and pulleys. The children have developed some excellent enquiries and really enjoyed the practical nature of the lessons. Our Year 6 children have continued to add to their 'memories' by adding pictures and short write-ups of their years at Hawthorn. We hope they have fond memories of their time with us - it goes so quickly! Well done, UKS2. We are really proud of you.

### Hawthorn Summer Holiday Playscheme

Open: 26<sup>th</sup> July – 20<sup>th</sup> August

Different session times available.

Booking forms available online

Please book in advance via [SchoolMoney!](#)

Further information:

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the members of the PFA (past and present) for their tireless support over the last 12 months. Although they have been limited in the fundraising that has been possible because of the Covid restrictions, they have still managed to raise a huge amount of money to spend on special treats for the children. Without their enthusiasm and fundraising efforts, Hawthorn would be a lesser place.

A special thank you to all of those parents and friends whose children will be moving on to secondary school at the end of this year, we are grateful for your support over the years and hope that your children have enjoyed their time at Hawthorn.

### PFA News

We have LOVED seeing all the year 6 leavers in their new hoodies this week! The PFA was able to donate £10 per child towards these & some treats next week ☺ We wish you all the best on your next adventure!

Our school lottery continues to run with a guaranteed winner every Saturday & a jackpot prize of £25,000.

Thank you to everyone who supports this and especially those winners who have donated their prize back to the school, it is so appreciated. Tickets are just £1

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

We are already thinking ahead to the next school year and hopefully being able to hold more regular events again. If you are interested in getting involved, please get in touch via

FB - Hawthorn Community Primary School PFA

IG - HawthornPFA

Email - [pfahawthorn@gmail.com](mailto:pfahawthorn@gmail.com)

### Scamming Advice

Accompanying the newsletter this week is a leaflet produced by the Citizens Advice in Corby & Kettering relating to the most common scams that have and sadly, continue to affect our community.

They hope that the leaflet will help to raise awareness and provide people with information to protect themselves and others and provide the information needed to take action against scammers should you find yourself exposed to or worse still become a victim of a scam.



The DfE has launched [an information site](#) for parents, featuring advice and support on catch-up programmes and fun activities for all children and young people in England. The site also caters to parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities and covers mental health and early years as well as catch-up for 4-16 year-olds.

### Parents and Carers – Online Safety and Wellbeing

With the summer holidays fast approaching and children and young people potentially spending more time online Northamptonshire Safeguarding in Education have put together some videos on YouTube for parents and carers to help safeguard young people online. To see the latest video, 'Five tips for keeping children and young people safe online' please click on the link. [here](#)



**There will be an opportunity to look through our lost property after school on Monday, when it will be displayed in the KS2 playground (weather permitting). Any unclaimed items will be disposed of at the end of term.**

**Can I please encourage all parents to ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name in September, as it is then so much easier to reunite your child with any items they may have misplaced.**

**Thank you**

## WOW WORKER WALL OF HONOUR – Well done!

EYFS		KS1		LKS2		UKS2	
Cherries	Sofia	Ash	Aoife	Redwoods	Zachary	Cedars	Oscar & Elias
Apples	Kevin & Ellena	Bay	Annabella	S. Birches	Danny, Hamza, Ella & Oscar	Maples	DJ
		Elm	Beatrix & Logan	Willows	LeBron	Oaks	Callum, Amal & Dominic

## A message from Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust

Do you have a story to tell? Do you want to see that story come alive?

NMPAT Drama are launching a brand-new Young Playwriting Competition, where entrants will see their play rehearsed as part of a new Playwriting Festival in December.

Competition entries can be submitted by anyone over 18 – this could be a parent/car, or a teacher – you may like to build this in to your lessons in September. The closing date for entries is Sunday 31st October.

To kick-start the creative journey for budding young writers, we are holding a playwriting workshop in August. Taking place at NMPAT, students will receive guidance and advice from specialist NMPAT Drama staff to help them through the writing process.

Accompanying this newsletter is a flyer which contains information about the competition as well as the summer workshop. Registration is now open, via an online form: <https://bit.ly/Playwrightworkshop>

The link for submissions to the competition can be found on our website: [www.nmpat.co.uk/youththeatre](http://www.nmpat.co.uk/youththeatre)

Come along to the summer workshop at NMPAT where specialist staff will guide you through the writing process... submit your very own script to the Young Playwrights Competition in October, and experience your play being rehearsed by NMPAT Youth Theatre and Young Actors Company at the Festival in December!

Registration is via an online form – please see [www.nmpat.co.uk/youththeatre](http://www.nmpat.co.uk/youththeatre) for more information.

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