

Hawthorn Community Primary School

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Children in Need – current total £280.23

A big thank you to everyone who joined in with our 'spotty' theme today and donated money towards the Children in Need appeal.

We were very happy to welcome Wendy Scales from Parable Arts into school at the start of this week to deliver some workshops to the children. This time the focus was all about Acts of Kindness. Wendy told the story of 'the Good Samaritan' and then the children were asked to identify the good and bad characters from the story and explain how each characters' actions had affected other people. They then had the chance to complete various activities linked to the theme, including role play with medical equipment where the children had the opportunity to practice helping an injured friend.

Unfortunately this week we have experienced an outbreak of sickness and diarrhoea across many classes. Can I please remind you that if your child is taken ill with these symptoms that they should not come to school in order that the infection is not spread across their classmates. For sickness children should be absent for 24 hours after the last bout of sickness, and with diarrhoea it is 48 hours after the last bout before children should return to school.

Some of our year 3 and 4 boys took part in a Futsal competition after school this week. They performed extremely well and finished 3rd in the competition out of 18 teams. Well done to everyone involved! A detailed report of the event written by Mr Hall is attached to this newsletter. Next week the sporting challenge switches to athletics, and approximately 70 children from across KS2 will be going off to the Leisure Village to take part in the Sports Hall Athletics competition. Good luck to everyone involved – I hope to be able to report back on their achievements in next week's newsletter.

House Points for this Term

	Weekly total	Termly total
Rockingham	102	341
Salcey	126	355
Sherwood	125	345
Thefford	130	330

Well done to everyone in
Thefford this week

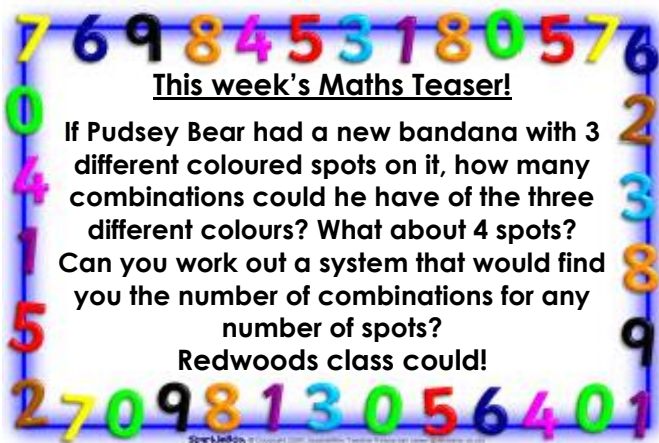
This term's leaders are:
SALCEY

School News App

Accompanying this week's newsletter is information outlining how you can download a new free App to your phone or tablet, which will help you to keep up to date with what is going on at Hawthorn, by receiving text alerts. We hope that you will find this useful.

CHRISTMAS PANTO REMINDER

If you have not yet paid for your child's ticket for 'Santa's Little Helper' or 'Beauty and the Beast' please ensure that you do so by Friday 2nd December. Many thanks.



This week's Maths Teaser!

If Pudsey Bear had a new bandana with 3 different coloured spots on it, how many combinations could he have of the three different colours? What about 4 spots? Can you work out a system that would find you the number of combinations for any number of spots?

Redwoods class could!

PFA NEWS

Cake Sale

Thank you to everyone who supported Oaks and Cedars cake sale on Wednesday. Thank you to the donators, the helpers and the buyers!! We raised a fantastic amount of £136 which will be divided between the classes.

Christmas Fair - Friday 16th December 6pm-8pm

The Christmas Fair is well on its way and it is sure to be another great event held at the school. We are once again asking for your support in order to make the fair a great success. We would love for some volunteers to help on the night, even if only for half an hour. Please let us know if you can.

We would appreciate the following:

- new, or nearly new, teddies;
- new or used items for our general tombola;
- cake donations for the refreshments area (not until the day of the fair please)

If you are able to donate any items then please leave by the shed next to the mini buses (KS2 entrance).

Many thanks in advance.

Please do not hesitate to contact us about anything re the PFA.

Facebook page - Hawthorn School & Parents and Friends Association

On-line Safety

The Internet is a fabulous tool for education and for play, but it does have its dangers! If you are worried about your child using the internet, check out the following website:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

This is a website provided by CEOP, Child Exploitation and Online Protection, which includes sections for parents and children, with different sections targeted at children aged from 5-7, 8-10 and 11+.

It is well worth a look!

Dates for Your Diary:

November	
w/b 21 st	Road Safety Week, Year 6 Bikeability
22 nd	KS2 Sports Hall Athletics Event
24 th	Parent Voice Meeting 7.30pm
December	
1 st	Choir Competition 6 – 8pm
2 nd	Bottle Muffi Day
7 th	EYFS Performance to parents 1.30pm
8 th	KS1 Performance to parents 1.30pm
9 th	KS1 Performance to parents 9.30am KS2 choir perform to Christ the King Luncheon Club
10 th	KS2 Choir concert with Rushden Town Band
12 th	EYFS and KS1 Party Day
13 th	EYFS and KS1 Theatre production KS2 Musical Evening tbc
14 th	KS2 party Day
15 th	Chocolate Muffi Day
16 th	KS2 Pantomime Trip PFA Christmas Fare
17 th	KS2 Choir concert with GUS Band
19 th	EYFS and KS1 Christingle 2pm tbc
20 th	End of Term 2
January	
5 th	Start of Term 3

Reading

A current focus for school improvement is on reading, and we would appreciate your support in helping us to raise standards and the children's engagement and enthusiasm for reading.

You can help by encouraging your child to read at home as often as possible. This doesn't have to always be their school reading book; reading for enjoyment is just as important and any support that you are able to give at home will complement what we are doing in school. Please talk to your child's teacher if you require more information about supporting your child with their reading.

Road Safety Week and Bikeability

Next week we will be celebrating Road Safety Week in school and as part of this our year 6 children have the opportunity to undertake Bikeability training.

As a result of this can we please request that parents of children in other years do not send their children to school with bikes or scooters next week, as the bike racks will be needed by the year 6 children.

