



THE HAWTHORNS PRIMARY SCHOOL



FOR WEEK COMMENCING 20 OCTOBER

THEME: DIWALI



YEAR 6

Bikeability

Cycling Proficiency for the 21st century



Year 6 took part in their Bikeability training this week. They learnt the necessary skills needed in order to safely ride on the roads - a great opportunity to develop their resilience and independence.



Congratulations to our newly appointed Sports Captains!!



Well done to Euie, Jack, Nellie, Charlotte, Leo, Harrison, Maya and Amy!

We are very proud of everyone who put themselves forward!





Harvest Festival was a huge success this year; thank you to all of our families for their incredibly generous donations.

The choir performed in the Key Stage Two assembly and each class enjoyed singing a chosen song.

Year 5 took some of the donations to Kennet Court for them to enjoy, and the rest of the donations were delivered to Wokingham Foodbank.





Picture News

THIS Week

Let's look at this week's story



This year marks the 80th anniversary of the United Nations (UN), an international organisation founded after the Second World War in 1945, to help countries work together and prevent future conflicts. Today, 193 nations are members, and the UN works on issues like peacekeeping, human rights, health, and climate change. Leaders and communities around the world are reflecting on how important working together is in solving global problems.



Learn more about this week's story [here](#).
Watch this week's useful video [here](#).
This week's Virtual Picture News [here](#).



British Values



Rule of Law

The United Nations was created after the war, to help countries follow rules and keep peace. Just like in our own lives, rules can bring people together and guide us to live safely and fairly.

Reflection



The UN has worked for 80 years to try and keep peace between nations, but peace doesn't only happen in far-away countries. It can start in our classrooms, playgrounds, and homes. Each of us has the power to be a peacekeeper in our own way.



Culinera invites you to our...

OPEN KITCHEN EVENT!



The Hawthorns Primary School

This is a great opportunity to meet the Culinera team, try samples and to provide feedback on the service.

KITCHEN & DINING ROOM
21ST OCTOBER 2025
3:30 - 5:00PM

Culinera is a small business and are proud to work with Hawthorns School - Wokingham.



We hope this is a great opportunity to discuss feedback to help us all enjoy school meals long term.

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HAPPY HALLOWEEN

23RD OCTOBER 2025

MAIN COURSE

Vampire Sliders

Beef burger with tomato and ketchup

The Veggie Beast

Green veggie burger with lettuce and ketchup

Spooky Smokey Spud Spears

Smoked paprika potato wedges

Scuttling Scarabs

Pasta and sweetcorn

PUDDING

Mummy Brownie

Chocolate brownie with white chocolate drizzle and googly eyes

Ghostly Yoghurt

Vanilla yoghurt

Green Slime Jelly

Ume jelly

Trick or Treat Fruit Feast

Fruit salad



The team are looking forward to welcoming you...

BOOK ONLINE NOW!
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Friendly Reminders



We would like to kindly ask you to keep all children off the play equipment in the front playground before and after school.



We appreciate this is very tempting for the children but they get plenty of supervised play during break and lunchtimes.



- The year group email address is for contacting any teachers in the year group about concerns, questions and information about your child/class.
- Please do not use these email addresses for emergencies or to report absences/appointments or for informing who your child is going home with.
- The emails are not monitored during school hours. Teachers will endeavour to respond within 48 hours.

Wokingham Fireworks Drawing Competition

Calling all children of Primary School age!



The Wokingham Charity Fireworks Spectacular 2025 would like to know what you think fireworks night is all about. Fire up your imagination, download an entry form from <https://wokingham-fireworks.co.uk/comp> and give us your best artistic interpretation!

The Winner will lead the procession from Market Place alongside the Wokingham Town and Borough Mayors to Cantley Park, and lead the countdown to start the display. They will also enjoy free entry to the event for themselves and their immediate family.

All entries will be displayed on the Wokingham Fireworks Facebook page.

Closing Date is Monday 20th October with the winner selected shortly after.



Diwali, the festival of lights, will illuminate homes nationwide on **October 20, 2025**.

This five-day celebration begins with Dhanteras and culminates in Bhai Dooj, honoring familial bonds.

Key rituals include Lakshmi Puja for prosperity and Govardhan Puja, commemorating Lord Krishna's divine act.



Thank you to the parents who took the time to come and share your Diwali festival celebrations with us this week.

We truly appreciate your involvement and support.





For the past two sessions, members of Art Club have been creating A3-sized landscape pieces, inspired by the famous English artist David Hockney. His paintings of Garrowby Hill and its surrounding farmland, near his birthplace in Yorkshire, influenced the artworks, in which oil pastels were used to build the rich, vibrant colours of the patchwork countryside.

The creations also celebrate Harvest Festival and the bounty of fruits and vegetables grown across the land.



We had a lovely day celebrating World Mental Health Day #Hello Yellow!

The children and staff all looked lovely with their splashes of yellow, it really brightened up the day.

In the classrooms a range of activities were completed which included circle time, where feelings and emotions were discussed, artwork exploring feelings, singing and mindfulness and relaxation time.

Assemblies were also shared throughout the week to share the importance of looking after your mind and self.

Thank you to those of you who made a donation.

PTA

HAWTHORNS PTA

Disco

FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER

£5 PER CHILD

INCLUDES CRISPS AND A DRINK

RECEPTION - 4:30-5:15
 YRS 1 & 2 - 5:30-6:30
 YRS 3 & 4 - 6:45-7:45
 YRS 5 & 6 - 8:00-9:00

OUR MAIN 2024-2025 FUNDRAISING EVENTS AND WHAT WE HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE SCHOOL

- WINTER DISCO £3413.50
- MOTHER'S DAY SECRET RUMBLE £67.38
- FATHERS DAY SECRET RUMBLE £20.48
- FROZEN FUNDRAISERS £726.86
- SUMMER CIRCUS £4040.00
- NEW GARDEN £12,000
- 7 BOOKS BOXES £320
- SCHOOL TRIPS £700
- YR 6 BOWLING TRIP £320
- BOOKS FOR THE LIBRARY £800

SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

More clothes - more funds for your organisation
1 kg = £0.45

YOUR COLLECTION IS ARRANGED ON:

4 November
TUESDAY

FILL ANY BAGS WITH CLOTHING AND BRING THEM TO SCHOOL/ORGANISATION WE WILL COLLECT AND WEIGH THEM

WE ACCEPT

- Good quality clean clothing (adult's, children's, baby)
- Shoes (paired)
- Bags
- Hats & scarves
- Belts
- Fashion accessories
- Swimwear, lingerie
- Jewellery
- Perfumes

WE DON'T ACCEPT

- Uniforms
- Dirty, wet, ripped, damaged clothing
- Traditional clothing
- Duvets & pillows
- Single shoes
- Toys, stationery
- Bric-a-brac & electrical items
- Books, CDs, DVDs
- Workwear
- Carpets, rug, mats, curtains
- Hygiene items, nappies
- Linen & towels

PLEASE NO UNIFORMS & DUVETS!

RAISE MONEY FOR YOUR SCHOOL BY GIVING AWAY YOUR UNWANTED CLOTHES

hel@thelittlecyclers.co.uk - 0330 043 0550 - thelittlecyclers.co.uk

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Do you own or work for a business that may be able to help your PTA?

Donate a Raffle Prize: Your generosity can help fill our raffle with exciting prizes, making it a highlight of the fair and we will make sure everyone knows about it!

Sponsor a Stall: Gain fantastic advertising exposure among our school families and the broader community by sponsoring a school run stall. Your business details will be prominently displayed, highlighting your support.

If you think you can help, please contact
pta.hawthorns.wokingham@gmail.com

HAWTHORNS PTA

Keith Brindley	Helen Eastwood	Sarah Walker	Jess Prout	Maria Dymock	Tabitha Rigden	Maxine Featherbe-Knott	Keri Devonport	Rajesh Chandrasekaran	Terri Holloway

SAVE THE DATE!

OCTOBER 2025

Monday 20th	Y1&2 School Games Multiskills Event (selected)
Tuesday 21st	Culinera Open Kitchen Event (15:30-17:00)
Tuesday 21st	Parents Evening (16:00-19:00)
Thursday 23rd	Parents Evening (16:00-19:00)
Friday 24th	PTA School Disco
Monday 27th to Friday 31st	HALF TERM

NOVEMBER 2025

Monday 3rd	INSET DAY
Tuesday 4th	PTA Little Recyclers (details to follow)
Wednesday 5th	Y1 ZooLab Workshop
Thursday 6th	Prospective Parents Open Morning
Thursday 6th	Lightwater Cross Country (selected pupils)
Monday 10th	School Flu Immunisations
Wednesday 12th	Prospective Parents Open Afternoon
Friday 14th	Individual Photos
Thursday 20th	Parent Forum
Thursday 20th	Cantley Park Cross Country (selected pupils)
Tuesday 25th	Y6 School Nurse Height & Weight Measurements
Saturday 29th	PTA Christmas Craft Fair

DECEMBER 2025

Monday 8th	INSET DAY
Friday 12th	School Christmas Panto to children (details to follow)

<https://www.hawthorns.wokingham.sch.uk/page/?title=Term+Dates&pid=20>





Let's get moving this WALKTOBER!

Walktober is an active travel challenge held each October to celebrate International Walk to School Month.

Together with the Wokingham My Journey team, we are encouraging pupils, families and staff to 'Get Moving' by travelling actively and sustainably as often as possible, starting on Monday 6th October!

Each week, there is a challenge for you to try or if you have an idea for your own weekly challenge write it in the 'My challenge' space. Record your challenge activity each week by writing, drawing or adding a photo in the space provided.

Week 1: swap a car journey

Week 2: Explore what you have most enjoyed on your active journey

Week 3: Can you travel a mile or more actively?

Week 4: Take a walk, wheel, scoot or cycle with family or friends.

Collect a challenge card from your class teacher, or visit www.myjourneywokingham.com/walktober

Parent Information



Just Play Sports: Half Term Camps
Monday 27th - Friday 31st October

Banish holiday boredom with our jam-packed sessions for children aged 4-12.

Discover a new sport or game
 Kids'll experience a winning combo of awesome games, competitions and matches across:

- Football • Multi-skills • Nerf • Capture the Flag
- Cricket • Tennis • Rounders • Dodgeball • Arts and crafts

Savings to suit every pocket
Save:
 10% when you book the whole week
 10% for siblings

Where you'll find the fun
 St Paul's Junior School, Wokingham
 Evendons Primary School, Wokingham

Flexibility to suit you
 Standard day: 10.00am - 3.30pm
 Extended day: 8.30am - 5.30pm
 School Day: 8.30am - 3.30pm (Evendons Only!)
 4-year-olds: 10.00am - 2.00pm

Use your childcare vouchers or pay with tax-free childcare.

Zoom Update on the Ordinarily Available Provision

Monday 20th October 7.00 – 8.00pm

Parents please join us for a Zoom session on the updated **Ordinarily Available Provision** with Helen Jackson-Brench (WBC Area SENCO)



Ordinarily Available Provision is the inclusive provision and support available to all learners in mainstream schools.

For the Zoom link please email: info@sendvoiceswokingham.org.uk

See our website: www.sendvoiceswokingham.org.uk for details of all our events



REME Freedom of Wokingham Parade

Celebrating the Freedom of Wokingham granted to the Corps of Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers

Sunday 26th October 2025
10.30am to 1.30pm
(Parade 11am to 12:15pm)



The day includes: Military Band, Parade, Inspection, Military Vehicles, REME engagement team and more

www.wokingham-tc.gov.uk/council_events





BERKSHIRE MUSIC TRUST
Making music for everyone

Bracknell Music Centre HAVE A GO

Come and try an instrument for free and learn about lessons at our music centres, schools and other opportunities we offer!

BRACKNELL MUSIC CENTRE
Ranelagh School, Ranelagh Drive, Bracknell RG12 9DA

Saturday 18 October
Oboe/Bassoon 10.00-10.45am | 10.45-11.15am

Monday 20 October
Voice 5.45-6.15pm | 6.15-6.45pm

Thursday 6 November
Brass 5.00-5.30pm | 5.30-6.00pm



CLICK HERE OR SCAN TO BOOK

www.berksmusictrust.org.uk 0118 901 2370
admissions@berksmusictrust.org.uk



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HALLOWEEN HOLIDAY CLUB!

OCTOBER HALF TERM
WEDS 29TH OCT & THURS 30TH OCT

Yoga! In the morning, Starting the day calm and relaxed with yoga.

Arts & craft in the morning session!
Halloween themed Arts & craft, plenty to choose from and take home.

Music! In the afternoon session!
Learning some basic beats and notes and help you make your own spooky song!!

HALF DAY MORNING	HALF DAY AFTERNOON	FULL DAY
9.30AM - 12PM	1PM - 4.30PM	9.30AM - 4.30PM
£20	£20	£32

ST PAUL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
OXFORD RD, WOKINGHAM
RG41 2YN

fruit snacks and stretch providers for each session

To book please email us your choice to be sent the booking form:
Myshellartstudio22@gmail.com



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