

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to share an update on a new lunchtime initiative designed to encourage positive social interactions and respect, towards each other, our staff, and our school property. As part of this initiative, staff award raffle tickets to children who demonstrate positive behaviours. Every couple of weeks, we draw 5-10 names during assembly, and those children are invited to a special afternoon treat and play session with me as a reward.

Last week, I hosted the first of these sessions with ten lucky children! They enjoyed hot chocolates, festive treats, and games both indoors and outdoors. It was a wonderful afternoon and we all had a fantastic time. The next session will take place in the final week of this term and invitations will be sent to all selected children.

A huge thank you to our amazing PTA for organising such a successful Winter Fair last Saturday. It was a fantastic way to bring our school community together for some festive fun. I am so grateful to everyone who volunteered their time to make the event possible and to all who came along to support us. Thanks to your generosity, we raised over £5,000 for the school; a tremendous achievement!

As we approach the end of term, we will be saying goodbye to some valued members of staff.

- Mrs Pippa West, our Operations Manager, who has worked at the school for ten years in various roles, has secured an exciting new position with The Circle Trust Central Team. Mrs West is a compassionate, professional and highly effective member of our team who has made a positive impact across the school. While we will miss her greatly, we are pleased that we will continue to benefit from her expertise in the future.
- Mrs Ally Morgan, a Year 1 Teaching Assistant, has decided to retire after 18 years of dedicated service, making a lasting impact on the teaching and learning of countless children.
- Mrs Yekta Pakizehdel, a Year 3 Teaching Assistant, will also be leaving us at the end of this term. Her calm and caring presence has been a great support to our pupils over the past year.

On behalf of parents, children, and staff, I would like to thank these colleagues for their hard work and commitment. I am sure you will join me in wishing them all the very best for the future.

Looking ahead, we have lots of festive activities planned in the coming weeks and we look forward to celebrating together.

Wishing you all a wonderful long weekend. I look forward to seeing all the children back in school on Tuesday 9th December.

Ms Razeghi

Outdoor Learning Christmas Celebrations



The festive spirit has truly come alive in the forest this week, with children reveling in the joy of Christmas celebrations. The sight of parents joining in the activities, sharing laughter, and creating cherished memories alongside their little ones has added a special warmth to the festivities.

As we look forward to welcoming more classes to partake in this seasonal merriment, we are excited to continue spreading holiday cheer and creating lasting memories for everyone involved.







Christmas card post box now available!

Please mark the intended child's full name and class on the envelope.

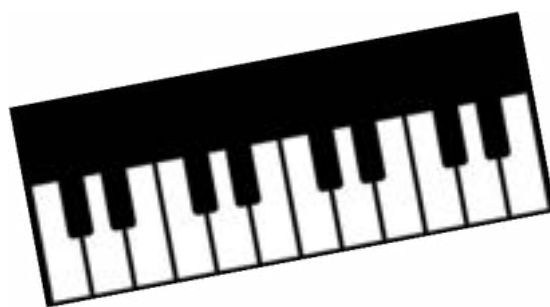


**Rock Steady
Concert to Parents
took place on
Monday 1st
December**

On Monday, our talented children treated us to a truly fabulous performance. Earlier that day in assembly, we talked about how amazing things happen when we work together—and they proved it!

Every child performed with confidence, joy, and teamwork, creating a wonderful celebration of music and collaboration. It was an absolute pleasure to see their skills shine and their enthusiasm light up the stage.

Well done to all of our musicians!



My Journey Wokingham is pleased to launch our Bling Your Bike competition.

We are asking pupils across the Borough to decorate their bike, scooter or backpack for Christmas.

Full details can be found on the My Journey website at:

<https://www.myjourneywokingham.com/events/bling-your-bike-scooter-or-backpack-this-christmas/>

First prize will be a £50 book voucher, with a runner up receiving a £25 book voucher.

Entries should be submitted to myjourney@wokingham.gov.uk no later than 19th December 2025.



**BLING YOUR BIKE
SCOOTER OR
BACKPACK**

Add some festive bling to your bikes, scooters or backpacks for a Christmas competition - be as creative as you like!

Once you've finished adding some dazzle to your active journey, take a photo and send your creations to us before Friday, 19 December 2025.

There's a £50 book voucher for the winner and a £25 book voucher for the runner-up.

my Journey www.myjourneywokingham.com WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

WOKINGHAM DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE FESTIVAL

Friday 28th November

The Year 5-6 squad delivered three strong performances, showcasing determination and teamwork to maintain our solid league form. They faced some tough, hard-working opponents, resulting in one narrow loss and two well-earned draws.

A fantastic effort from everyone—well done, team!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2025

DECEMBER 2025

Monday 8th	INSET DAY
Tuesday 9th	AM Starlings OL Christmas Celebrations
Tuesday 9th	PM Red Kites OL Christmas Celebrations
Wednesday 10th	PM Owls OL Christmas Celebrations
Thursday 11th	Y6 Hampton Court Trip
Thursday 11th	AM Robins OL Christmas Celebrations
Thursday 11th	PM Goldfinches OL Christmas Celebrations
Thursday 11th	Culinera Food Tasting Event 3:30pm to 4:30pm
Thursday 11th	Y5 Sewing afternoon - parents invited from 1:45pm
Friday 12th	School Christmas Panto to children
Friday 12th	PTA Elfridges Secret Room Event
Tuesday 16th	Y1&2 Nativity Play in the Church at 2:00pm
Wednesday 17th	Doves Christmas Show 9:15am
Wednesday 17th	Y1&2 Nativity Play in the Church at 2:00pm
Thursday 18th	Robins Christmas Show 9:15am
Friday 19th	LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM—2:00PM FINISH

JANUARY 2026

Monday 5th	INSET DAY
Tuesday 6th	First Day of the Spring Term

To report a child absent, please email absence@hawthorns.wokingham.sch.uk
All other enquiries, please email office@hawthorns.wokingham.sch.uk

<https://www.hawthorns.wokingham.sch.uk/>
[Facebook](#)



SEN PARENT

COFFEE AFTERNOON

Topics

- New OAP
- IEPs
- Future Meetings



Coffee
Tea
Cake!

THE HAWTHORNS PRIMARY
SCHOOL
LOG CABIN

10/12/2025
@14.30

Culinera invites you to our...

FOOD TASTING EVENT



The
Hawthorns
Primary School

FOOD TASTING EVENT
11TH DECEMBER 2025
3:30 - 4:30PM

Come and try some food samples
of our Autumn/Winter menu and
speak with our Chef and team
from Culinera!

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

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feeding the future



It's that time of year...

HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

18th December 2025

MAIN COURSE

Turket roast with all the trimmings
Roast turkey with all the trimmings

Vegetable wellington
Veggie wellington, with roast potatoes
and festive vegetables

PUDDING

Iced Christmas tree shortbread
Christmas tree shortbread - iced

Winter forest berry yoghurt
Fruit of the forest berry yoghurt

Santas jelly
Strawberry jelly

Little elf's fruit salad
Fresh fruit salad

The team are looking
forward to welcoming you...

BOOK ONLINE NOW!
USING YOUR PAYMENT SYSTEM



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Morning and after school clubs provide a great opportunity for students to engage in diverse activities, enhancing both their academic and personal development. Details about these clubs will be available at the start of next week, offering insights into the wide array of programs designed to cater to various interests, from sports and arts to science and technology.

These clubs are an excellent way for students to explore new hobbies, make friends, and build skills outside the regular classroom environment. Keep an eye out for the information release, which will include schedules, registration processes, and any necessary fees, ensuring that parents can plan accordingly for an enriching extracurricular experience.





PARENT INFORMATION

Funtastic Kids

Christmas Holiday Camps!

Childcare from £3.20 an hour in a safe school environment

Open across Berkshire
Monday 22nd - Wednesday 24th December*

**Dates and activities may vary according to location.*

What's on offer:

Festive activities: arts & crafts, drama, science & baking! Plus, a Christmas Party!

Energetic sports: archery, dance, new age kurling, bocchia & more!

Book Now!

- funtastickids.co.uk
- bookings@funtastickids.co.uk
- 07715643412**

Ages 4 - 13
Sibling Discount
HAF Places

Ofsted Registered

The advertisement features a blue background with white snowflakes and red-and-white striped candy canes. It includes three circular photos: a girl holding a tray of cookies, two girls wearing Santa hats and painting, and two boys holding candy canes. A cartoon reindeer is also present.

Funtastic Kids are running a Facebook competition in the countdown to their 10 year Anniversary next April where parents can win 10 FREE After School Club Sessions (or 5 Standard Holiday Camp Days- 9:30am- 3:30pm).

Simply answer this question:

What 3 words come to mind when you think of Funtastic Kids?

To enter, you must like and share the post on Facebook and comment with your 3 words.

Entries close on Monday 22nd December at 12pm.

BARRACUDAS

ACTIVITY DAY CAMPS

HIGHLY RATED
School Holiday
Camps!!!



AT A SCHOOL NEAR YOU IN **2026!**
EXCLUSIVE PARENT DISCOUNT

USE CODE **SCHOOL20** FOR AN
EXTRA £20 OFF YOUR BOOKING!

*Minimum 2 days. *Not to be used in conjunction with other offer codes



- ⦿ 4 to 14 year olds!
- ⦿ 80+ Activities!
- ⦿ Choice each session!
- ⦿ Specialist Courses!
- ⦿ Flexible bookings!

✓ OFSTED REGISTERED

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