



The Spring Edition 2026



The Hawthorns Primary School

Friday 30th January 2026

Spring Term
2026

**THEME
FOR NEXT
WEEK:**



AIM

To develop an appreciation of the power of storytelling.

Message from
the Headteacher

Grow.

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we settle back into the routines of a new term, January can sometimes feel like a long and challenging month for children. With darker days, colder weather, and the excitement of the holidays behind us, it's natural for motivation to dip a little. That's why, across the school, we're placing a special focus on developing a **growth mindset** with all our pupils.

A growth mindset is the belief that abilities can improve with effort, practice, and perseverance. Instead of thinking "I can't do this," children learn to add the powerful word "yet" - transforming challenges into opportunities. We are encouraging pupils to:

- See mistakes as a normal and important part of learning
- Keep trying, even when something feels tricky
- Celebrate effort, not just results
- Notice the progress they make over time
- Support one another with positive, encouraging language

Throughout the term, we will be sharing stories, activities, and classroom challenges that help children understand how their brains grow when they learn something new. You may hear them talking about “stretching their brains,” “trying again in a different way,” or being proud of their “learning stamina.”

You can support this at home by praising effort (“You worked so hard on that!”), talking about times you learned something difficult, and helping your child see that mistakes simply show that learning is happening.

Together, we can help every child start the year with confidence, resilience, and the belief that they can improve – even when the journey feels tough.

Thank you for your ongoing support in nurturing a community that celebrates perseverance and growth.

Best wishes

Ms Razeghi





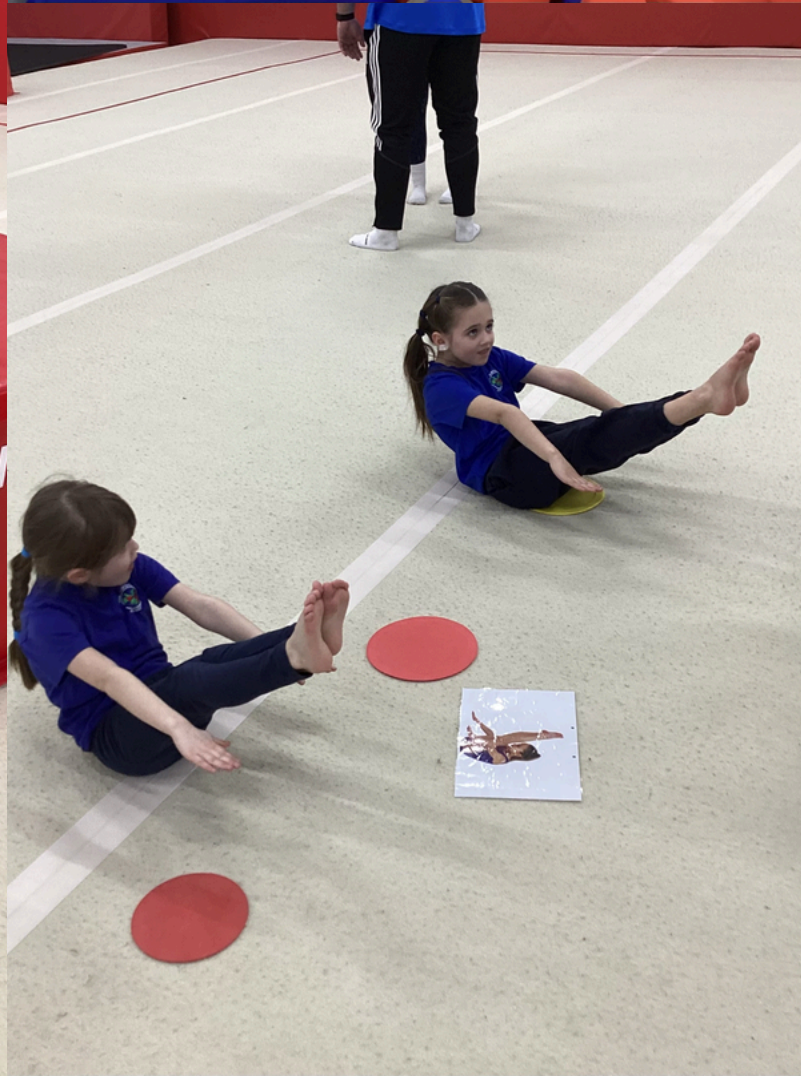
A group of Year 1 and 2 children had a great morning at Pinewood Gymnastics at their taster event for Wokingham School Games on Monday 26th January.

They jumped into the foam pits, swung on high bars, vaulted, explored floor moves and balanced on beams.

All the children showed excellent enthusiasm and gave everything a go.

Well done!







As part of their outdoor learning this week, the EYFS children visited the school pond to continue their topic on Winter and Hibernation. The children were curious to see what the pond would look like in winter and were surprised to discover that the surface was green!

They wondered whether any creatures would be hiding away for the colder months or if they might spot something moving. To their delight, the children found lots of pond bugs and even a newt! This sparked wonderful discussions about which animals hibernate and which stay active during winter.

It was a fantastic hands-on learning experience that encouraged observation, curiosity, and a deeper understanding of nature in the wintertime.





Wishing The Hawthorns the best of luck in their match against St Dominics this afternoon — hope it's an exciting game!



MHST DROP IN TUESDAY 10TH FEBRUARY

THE HAWTHORNS PRIMARY SCHOOL

We are lucky to have Tamsin Cox from the Berkshire Mental Health Team visiting us.

I have invited her to share what her role is within the service and how it can support you and your child with anxiety, low self esteem and emotional wellbeing.



COME JOIN US FOR A COFFEE AND
A CHAT



LOG CABIN 9.00-9.30AM.

REMINDERS



**No parking
or stopping**

Please can we remind parents that there is **NO PARKING or STOPPING** in the school staff car park. Only parents who have received permission from the school are allowed to park in the car park.

Please ensure that children bring trainers for PE lessons, as well as a spare pair of socks. We have noticed that during PE sessions and sports clubs, some children do not have spare socks, especially with recent wet weather or if they are wearing tights.

Having a spare pair will help keep them comfortable and prepared for all activities.



FINAL PAYMENT DUE



**REMINDER: Year 6 PGL
final instalment is due by:**

MONDAY 2ND MARCH 2026.

***Please check Arbor app for
remaining balance.***

Culinera invite you to...

CHINESE NEW YEAR

YEAR
OF THE
HORSE

12TH FEBRUARY 2026

MAIN COURSE

Chicken chow Mein

Chicken and vegetable fried noodles

Egg fried Quorn vegetable rice

Egg fried rice with sweet chilli Quorn and vegetables

With

Spring festival veggies

PUDDING

Sticky lemon sponge

Lemon cupcake with white frosting

Fruit yoghurt

Fruit yoghurt

Golden mandarin lime jelly

Lime jelly with mandarin segments

Dragon's fruit salad

Fruit salad



*The team are looking
forward to welcoming you...*

BOOK ONLINE NOW!
USING YOUR PAYMENT SYSTEM

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Picture News

Let's have a look at this week's poster!

2nd - 8th February 2026



Does seeing yourself in a toy or story help you feel like you belong?

See yourself in a story or toy can help you feel you belong, and being understanding of others may help them feel they belong to.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2025

FEBRUARY 2026

Thursday 5 th	Y1 Milestones Museum Trip
Thursday 5 th	Y3-6 Braywick Cross Country (selected pupils)
Friday 6 th	PTA Second hand uniform sale 15:30 to 16:00
Tuesday 10 th	MHST Parent Meeting at 09:00 in the Log Cabin
Tuesday 10 th	Y5&6 Springers Girls Netball League (selected)
Tuesday 10 th	Parents Evening 16:00 to 19:00
Wednesday 11 th	WASMA Rehearsal at Waingels 16:15 to 18:15
Thursday 12 th	Parents Evening 16:00 to 19:00
Friday 13 th	PTA School Discos
MONDAY 16 th TO FRIDAY 20 th HALF TERM	
Monday 23 rd	Return to school
Tuesday 24 th	Y5&6 Springers Girls Netball League (selected)

MARCH 2026

Tuesday 3 rd	Y5&6 Springers Girls Netball League (selected)
Wednesday 4 th	Y5 Kew Gardens Trip
Wednesday 4 th	Y4 Lion King Trip
Thursday 5 th	World Book Day (details to be confirmed)
Tuesday 10 th	Maths Open Morning for Parents at 09:00
Wednesday 18 th	Parent Forum Meeting
Tuesday 19 th	WASMA Rehearsal at Waingels 16:15 to 18:30
Saturday 21 st	WASMA Concert
Monday 23 rd	Y2 Great Fire of London Workshop
Friday 27 th	LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM - 14:00 FINISH
MONDAY 30 th MARCH TO MONDAY 13 TH APRIL - EASTER HOLIDAYS	

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](#)

PTA PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

HAWTHORNS PTA PRELOVED UNIFORM **SALE!**

- 🍷 logo polos
- 🍷 logo school jumpers
- 🍷 logo school cardigans
- 🍷 logo PE items

FRIDAY 6TH FEB
3:30PM
SCHOOL HALL



HAWTHORNS PTA

CHAIR

VICE CHAIR

TREASURER

SECRETARY



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

HAWTHORNS PTA

DISCO

FRIDAY 13th FEBRUARY

**TICKETS: £5 PER CHILD
INCLUDES A PACKET OF CRISPS AND
A DRINK**

RECEPTION: 4:30-5:15PM

YEAR 1&2: 5:30-6:30PM

YEAR 3&4: 6:45-7:45PM

YEAR 5&6: 8:00-9:00PM



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**PLEASE BRING YOUR MONEY & PERMISSION SLIP TO
THE DISCO
CASH ON THE NIGHT OR PRE-PAY VIA THE QR**



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We currently do not have any volunteers for the Year
5 & 6 disco.

Without enough helpers, we will unfortunately have
to cancel the event — and we really don't want that
to happen!

If you're able to lend a hand, even for a short time,
please get in touch as soon as possible. Your support
will make sure our students don't miss out on a fun
and memorable evening!

Thank you for your help and community spirit.



PARENT INFORMATION

A vibrant teal poster for a 'Fun with Phonics Workshop'. The central focus is a large white circle containing the text 'Explore LEARNING' at the top, 'FUN WITH PHONICS WORKSHOP' in large bold letters in the middle, and 'Ages 4-6' at the bottom. To the right of the circle is a black speech bubble with the word 'FREE' in white. Below the circle is a red banner that says 'LIMITED SPACES BOOK TODAY!'. The background is decorated with various illustrations: a yellow pencil sharpener, a bee, a fox, a mouse, a pineapple, and a feather. At the bottom of the poster, the event details are listed in white text: 'Lower Earley Library', 'Thursday 19 February', '10:30 - 11:30am', and 'Free. Booking required'. The bottom left corner features the 'WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL' logo, and the bottom right corner features the 'Wokingham Borough Council' logo with a QR code in the center.

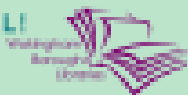
GET ARTY!

WOKINGHAM LIBRARY
TUESDAY 17 FEBRUARY
10:30 - 11:30AM

Come and join us for a fun morning of
arts & crafts.

This event is open to children aged 4 to 10.

£2 CHARGE
LIMITED SPACES,
BOOKING ESSENTIAL!



To book visit: wokingham.spydus.co.uk
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or scan QR code below



WOKINGHAM
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MEET THE GUIDE DOGS



Come and meet some guide dogs and their owners
and find out about the
Guide Dogs for the Blind Association

Woodley Library
Tuesday 17 February
10am-12noon



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Just drop-in!



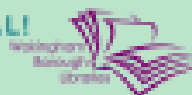
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FINCHAMPSTEAD LIBRARY
THURSDAY 19 FEBRUARY
2:15 - 3:15PM

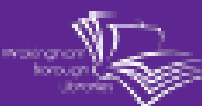
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FUN DAY!

Trinity Church
Chalfont Close
Lower Earley

Monday 16th February
10-12 noon



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BRACKNELL
RFC

GIRLS RUGBY

COME AND JOIN
THE FUN.... BRING A
FRIEND TRAINING
SESSION

YEAR 5 & 6



Bracknell Rugby Club

Sunday 8th February
12:30



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