

The Hawthorns Primary School

Friday 13th February 2026



Spring Term
2026



**THEME FOR
AFTER HALF
TERM:**



AIM

To be aware of physical, mental and spiritual health and well-being



We are delighted to share the wonderful news that Miss Bailey is expecting her second baby, due this Summer.

We're sure you will all join us in congratulating her and wishing her every happiness as she prepares to welcome her new arrival.

Tonight

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**



Message

From the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a jam-packed half term, full of learning, enrichment activities and plenty of fun.

Across the school, we have refocused our teaching on the basics of presentation, handwriting and spelling. By placing a strong emphasis on transcription and explicitly teaching these foundational skills, we help reduce pupils' cognitive load, ensuring they are able to make good progress in their writing. Early mastery of key skills - such as letter formation, spelling and automaticity - is crucial in developing confident, fluent writers, rather than focusing solely on composition. I hope that you are able to see the difference in your children's work over time.

I am delighted to share that we have welcomed back Mrs Megan Ni Luain, who has returned to work following time off with her second baby. However, this also means that today we say goodbye to Mrs Jo Fowler who was covering her maternity leave. I would like to thank Mrs Fowler sincerely for all her hard work and commitment to the Goldfinches class over the past year, and wish her every success for the future.

I am also pleased to inform you that we have successfully appointed an Operations Lead, Mrs Nicola Davis, who will be joining us on 23rd March.

In addition, I am thrilled to share the wonderful news that Miss Becky Bailey is expecting her second child this summer - warm congratulations to her and her family.

Thank you to you all for attending our parents' evenings this week, we hope they have been informative. Thank you also to many of you for attending our SEN, PINS and Mental Health parent workshops over the last couple of months. Please do feel free to provide any feedback regarding these sessions.

I hope the children enjoy the discos this evening, and I wish you all a restful and enjoyable half-term break.

Best wishes

Ms Razeghi



FEBRUARY HALF TERM

Monday 16th to Friday 20th February
See you again on Monday 23rd February



Back by Popular Demand: Hawthorns Book Swap!

The Green Defenders are thrilled to announce the return of our much-loved Book Swap event!

 **Save the Date: Thursday, 5th March**

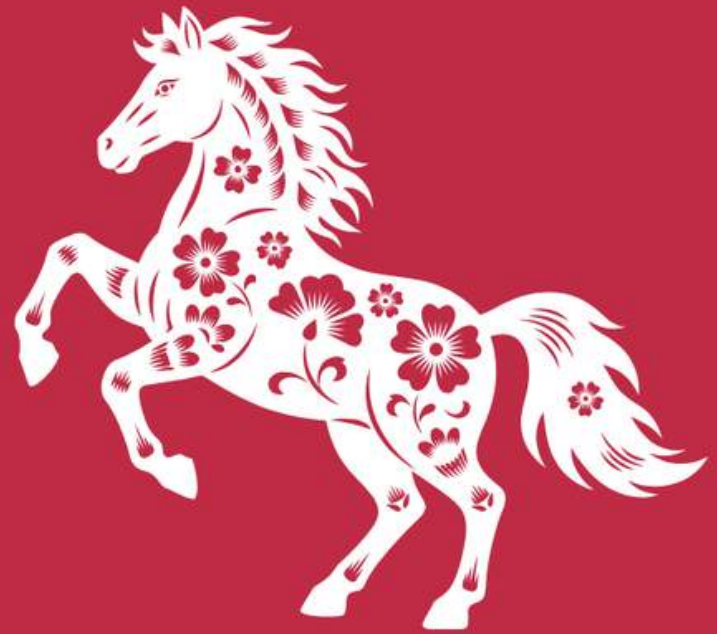
Bring along your pre-loved books and discover new reads to enjoy. It's a great way to share stories, recycle, and connect with fellow book lovers.

More details coming soon – stay tuned!

新年快樂

Happy Lunar New Year

2026



Today, EYFS welcomed special visitors who taught the children all about Chinese New Year.

Everyone enjoyed watching a lively lion dance and discovering why the colour red is such an important symbol of good luck and happiness.

The children had the opportunity to make their own delicious stir fry and take part in a fun hand-painting activity.

A big thank you to the parents who joined in and helped make the celebration such a wonderful experience for everyone!











This week we have been celebrating Children's Mental Health week. It is an annual event run by Place2be to raise awareness and provide resources for children's wellbeing focusing on the 2026 theme 'This is my place' to foster a sense of belonging.

The initiative aims to ensure no child faces mental health issues alone, and it features free, downloadable activities for both schools and families.

At the Hawthorns the children attended assemblies both in KS1 and KS 2, as well as completed activities within their classrooms.

I would also like to thank the parents who attended our first MHST Parent workshop on Tuesday morning. It was lovely to meet you and share with you what we do to support child's mental health in partnership with the Berkshire mental health team.

Kind regards
Mrs Rutter

TAEKWONDO

A huge congratulations to Ivy and Lan who were jointly awarded '**student of the year**' in their Tae Kwon Do class recently.

They talked about their achievements in assembly and only a few children had heard of the sport.

Mrs Collins has arranged for their Tae Kwon Do instructor to come and hold taster sessions with all KS2 children on the afternoons of Friday 13th and Friday 20th March.

We do hope the children enjoy this lovely experience.

Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day, February 14th, is fundamentally about celebrating love, romance, and affection, stemming from the martyrdom of Saint Valentine in ancient Rome but evolving into a widespread cultural event for expressing love to partners, friends, and family through cards, flowers, and gifts, blending historical religious roots with modern commercial traditions.

Parents' Evenings

THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our parents' evenings this week. We truly value the time you took to meet with us and discuss their progress.



Thank you to Matt and Matt for generously donating a Mental Health book bundle to our school.

This thoughtful contribution will provide valuable resources to support the wellbeing and emotional growth of our students. Your kindness and commitment to promoting mental health awareness are deeply appreciated.



FINAL PAYMENT DUE



**REMINDER: Year 6 PGL
final instalment is due by:
MONDAY 2ND MARCH 2026.**

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2025



FEBRUARY 2026

- Friday 13th PTA School Discos
MONDAY 16th TO FRIDAY 20th HALF TERM
Monday 23rd Return to school
Tuesday 24th Y5&6 Springers Girls Netball League (selected)

MARCH 2026

- Tuesday 3rd Y5&6 Springers Girls Netball League (selected)
Wednesday 4th Y4 Lion King Trip
Thursday 5th Green Defenders Book Swap Day (details to follow)
Thursday 5th World Book Day (details to be confirmed)
Tuesday 10th Maths Open Morning for Parents at 09:00
Tuesday 10th Y5&6 Springers Girls Netball League (selected)
Wednesday 11th Y5 Kew Gardens Trip (CHANGE OF DATE)
Friday 13th EYFS Mother's Day Visit
Friday 13th PTA Mother's Day Secret Room in School
Friday 13th KS2 Tae Kwon Do Taster Session PM
Wednesday 18th Parent Forum Meeting
Tuesday 19th WASMA Rehearsal at Waingels 16:15 to 18:30
Friday 20th KS2 Tae Kwon Do Taster Session PM
Saturday 21st WASMA Concert
Monday 23rd Y2 Great Fire of London Workshop
Friday 27th LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM - 14:00 FINISH
MONDAY 30th MARCH TO MONDAY 13TH 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](#)

P T A PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

OPEN
MEETING,
EVERYONE
WELCOME

JOIN US FOR OUR

Summer Fair

PLANNING MEETING

24TH FEB - 7PM

SCHOOL HALL

ALL HANDS ON DECK.
WE NEED HELP TO PLAN OUR
SUMMER FAIR!



The PTA presents

Hawthorns
Mother's Day
Secret Room

Friday 13th March



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



PARENT INFORMATION

Hidden Treasure

18th - 20th Feb

10-3pm



The way...

Start your
adventure here



A fun, Christian based,
holiday club for
Primary School Children.





Spring Term
8.01.26 - 26.03.26

just play **sports**

Free Trial Sports Sessions at Hawthorns!

Come and give it a go!

Action-packed clubs for all abilities — FREE trial sessions available week commencing Monday 23rd February! If interested please contact us via email.

MON Football - 15:30 - 16:30 (Yr3 - Yr 6)
MON: Netball - 15:30 - 16:30 (Yr 3 - Yr 6)
MON: Dodgeball - 15:30 - 16:30 (Yr 1 - Yr 2)
TUES: Tennis - 15:30 - 16:30 (Yr 3 - Yr 6)
WED: Football - 12.20 - 13:00 (Yr 1 - Yr 2)
FRi: Dodgeball - 08:00 - 08:45 (Yr 3 - Yr 6)

Email: Info@justplaysports.co.uk



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ROCKS™**

FIND OUT WHATS ON THIS HALF TERM

WOKINGHAM ROCKS IS THE ULTIMATE WHAT'S ON GUIDE FOR FAMILIES TO FIND THINGS TO DO IN THE LOCAL AREA

WWW.WOKINGHAMROCKS.CO.UK

**FIND
HALF
TERM
FUN**

**AT THE TOUCH
OF A BUTTON**

**ON
WOKINGHAM
ROCKS**



FIND OUT WHAT'S ON!

The Wokingham Rocks website is jam packed with ideas of things to do this Feb Half Term. Our handy buttons and collections make it super easy to find all your half term FUN!

- [Holiday club guide](#)
- [Half Term Fun](#)
- [Parks and Walks](#)

HALF TERM AND VALENTINES FUN

It's the month of love and Feb half term is here! Head to the website for lots of ideas for things to do this half term. Here are a few of our suggestions:

- Fun Day at Lower Earley Library
- Get Arty & Guide Dog - sessions at local libraries.
- One World Animals - hands on session.
- Wokingham Waterside
- Dinton Adventure Golf
- Ozone Ice Rink
- GolfPlex



FIND MORE OF OUR RECOMMENDATIONS



FOLLOW US AND JOIN THE COMMUNITY!

There are thousands of local parents following us Social Media, and we'd love for you to join in! Just search Wokingham Rocks and like our page!

**FIND THEIR PLACE.
FIND THEIR VOICE.**

**2 TRIAL CLASSES FOR
£12**

StageAbility

StageAbility

Helping Shy Children Find Their Confidence

StageAbility has been running friendly after-school drama classes for children aged 4-7, 7-11 and 12-18 in Wokingham and Lower Earley since 2008. Classes build confidence, communication and self-belief through interactive drama activities, creative teamwork and storytelling. There's no pressure to perform on stage and no auditions - just encouragement, creativity and fun.

This term, StageAbility is running Share the Stage, an initiative designed to welcome new children into classes and make it easy for families to give drama a try.

"My child's confidence has grown so much since joining. They're happier, more expressive and much more willing to have a go."

To make it accessible, new students can try two classes for just £12.

Classes run locally on **Tuesdays** in **Wokingham** and **Thursdays** in **Lower Earley**.

[Click here to find out more.](#) Come and join the fun!



VILLAGE
PRESENTS

**FREE FAMILY
FUN DAY
VILLAGE HOTEL
BRACKNELL**

SATURDAY 14th FEBRUARY

FUN WORKSHOPS
CRAFT ROOM
FACE PAINTING
DANCE FLOOR & MUSIC
GAMES
10am ARRIVAL

FREE!

VillageHotels.com/Party

FREE Family Fun Day

Join The Village Hotel Bracknell for a day of family fun!

Event includes;

- Fun Workshops
- Craft Room
- Face Painting
- Dancefloor & Music
- Games

Event begins at 10am and finishes at 3pm. This event is FREE no need to book just turn up.

Anxiety workshop for parents of Primary Aged Children

With the Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

This parent workshop is designed to help you:

- Understand what anxiety is and how it can show up in your child's thoughts, feelings, bodies, and behaviour
- Learn about the key factors that maintain anxiety
- Explore practical ways parents and carers can provide support
- Understand when and how to seek further support if your Young person is struggling



 Microsoft teams

Wednesday the 25th of February 12-13:00

Sign up

here: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/ed622164-b59b-4c6c-8674-a763defce4ac@b5a4676b-e1c4-4c08-80a9-cf34a2d67324>



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Wednesday the 25th of February 18:00-19:00

Sign up here: [Anxiety Workshop for Parents \(Primary School\) | Meeting-Join | Microsoft Teams](#)



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Introduction to MHST workshop for parents

With the Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

This parent workshop is designed to help you:

- Understand what the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) is and how we work with schools
- Learn about the support and interventions the MHST can offer to young people and parents
- Understand how to identify mental health difficulties and when to access MHST support
- Understand the referral process



 Microsoft Teams

Monday 2nd March 09:30am – 10:30am

Sign up here: [Introduction to MHST Workshop for parents | Meeting-Join | Microsoft Teams](#)



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Celebrate the Lunar New Year

Sunday 1st March 2026

11am to 3pm

Market Place, Wokingham

Free Entry

Lion Dance at 12 and 2pm

Musical performances

Asian Food and Drink

Craft activities

and more

Find out more
www.wokingham-tc.gov.uk



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Town
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慶祝 農曆新年

2026年3月1日 星期日 正月十三

上午11時至下午3時

Market Place, Wokingham

免費入場

正午12時及下午2時

設舞獅表演

音樂演奏

亞洲餐飲

手工活動等

詳情請見

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