

The Hawthorns Primary School

Friday 1st May 2026

Summer Term 2026

THEME



RELATIONSHIPS

AIM

Learning about the importance of our friends



ENJOY YOUR BANK HOLIDAY
MONDAY!



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

every student, every day

Regular school attendance is an important part of giving children the best possible start in life.

Attendance is high at our school; 96.8% this week!

The aim should be to attend 100% of the time.

Parents and carers play a vital role in supporting good attendance. They are expected to:

- ensure their child attends school every day, arrives on time, wearing the correct uniform, and equipped with the necessary materials for learning;*
- promote the importance of regular school attendance at home and avoid absences that are not essential;*
- follow the school's absence reporting procedures, including contacting the school on the first day of absence and each subsequent day, providing a clear reason and expected return date;*
- keep the school informed of any factors that may impact their child's attendance and ensure the school has more than one up-to-date emergency contact number;*
- arrange medical or other appointments outside of school hours wherever possible;*

- refrain from taking holidays during term time, recognising that such absences are unlikely to be authorised;
- notify the school in advance of any changes to the child's address, including details of the parent/carer the child will live with;
- attend school meetings when requested, particularly when their child is identified as vulnerable, persistently absent, or severely absent, to work collaboratively on improving attendance;

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

Kind regards

Ms Razeghi
Headteacher

SUN CREAM / SUN HATS AND WATER BOTTLES

Now that the weather is getting warmer, we would be grateful if children are supplied with a named, full water bottle each day (no squash is permitted).

Please ensure sun cream is applied first thing in the morning on hot sunny days.

Children are not permitted to bring sun cream into school.
Sun hats/caps are encouraged to be worn during the summer months.
Sunglasses are NOT allowed in school.



THANK YOU



Friday 8th May 2026

Hawthorns Big Dig!

Following last year's wonderful response, we would love to invite the children once more to bring in a plant and help promote the importance of caring for our environment. We feel that this activity really helps the children to understand the importance of nurturing and caring for the world around them.

If you would like to contribute, please may your child/family bring in a small bedding plant (any colours that you would like). Please note this is entirely a voluntary contribution and all the children will help to plant and care for the flowers that are received.

Thank you for your support!



Please bring in your plants on Friday 8th May!

Last week, Year 2 came to a final crescendo in their history topic by holding the traditional 'Great Fire of Hawthorns.'



Mrs Clark helped us to create a safe and contained fire in the outdoor learning area. We listened to the sounds the fire made and sang 'London's Burning' together.

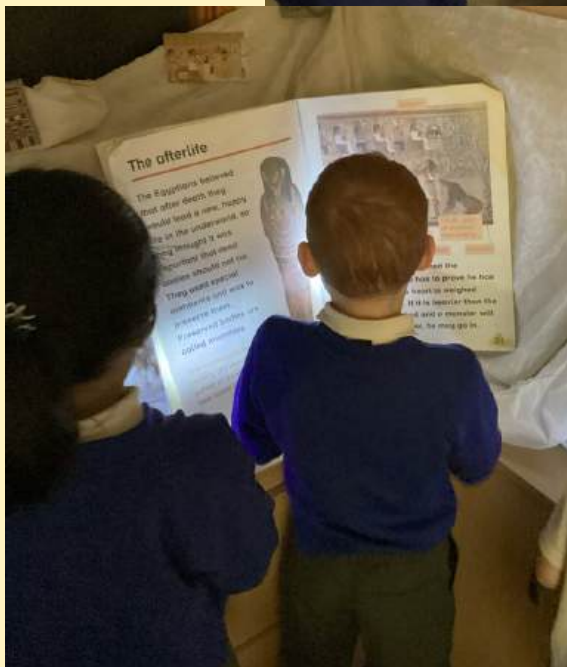


We did of course discuss the importance of fire safety and what to do in the event of a real, uncontrolled fire too.

In Year 3, we have been taking inspiration from our Master Reader text, *We Are the Ancient Egyptians*, and have been acting out instructions on how to wrap a mummy. We even turned our friends into mummies, making sure we followed the instructions carefully to ensure our mummies made it to the afterlife, including matching each organ to the correct canopic jar.



This week, Year 3 discovered a hidden ancient tomb at Hawthorns! We explored it using our torches and found lots of ancient artefacts. This exciting hook will lead into writing recounts from the perspective of Howard Carter as he discovered Tutankhamun's tomb.



Last week, each child in the school has endeavoured to run 2 miles as a part of the Joe Wicks 'mini marathon.' We took to the field and ran, walked, skipped and danced ten laps of the run-a-mile track.



Year 6 were incredible role-models and supported some of the younger children, counting their laps, cheering them on and accompanying them round. We celebrated the importance of physical activity for our bodies and mental health.



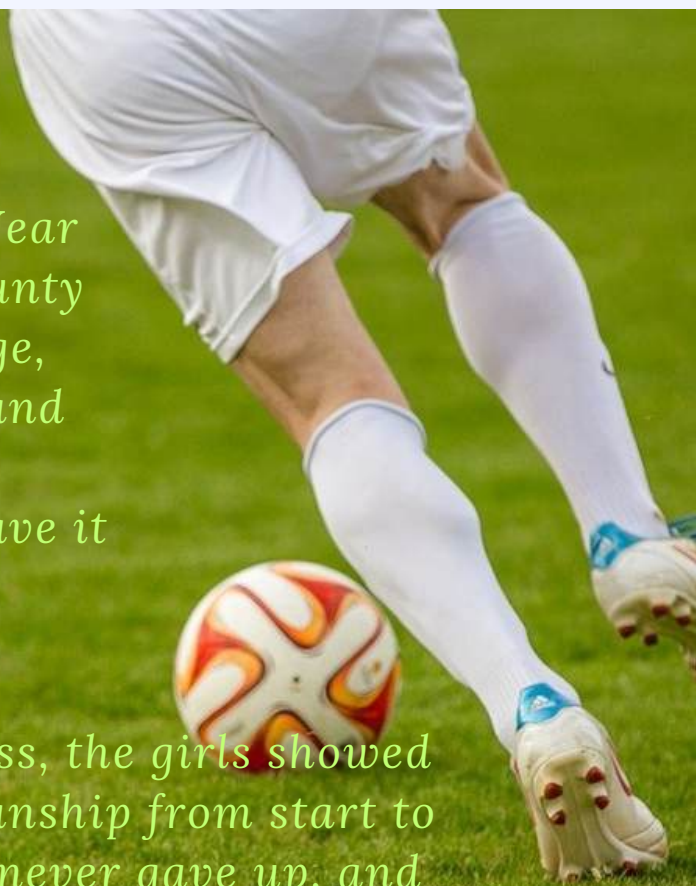
GIRLS HOME FOOTBALL MATCH v HOLME GRANGE

On Monday, our fantastic group of Year 5/6 girls took to the field for the County Cup semi-final against Holme Grange, showing determination, teamwork, and true spirit.

Despite the challenging heat, they gave it their all and played some brilliant football throughout the match.

Although the game ended in a 4-2 loss, the girls showed super effort, resilience and sportsmanship from start to finish. They supported one another, never gave up, and represented our school with pride.

Well done, girls – you should be incredibly proud of your performance!



Last week we celebrated World Earth Day and St. George's Day in school.



World Earth Day takes place every year in April.

This event started in 1970 as a day for people to think about their actions and how they can affect the Earth.

On World Earth Day people come together and create ideas to try and look after the Earth.

Each year, a new theme is chosen. The theme this year is 'Our Power, Our Planet'.



Saint George's Day

St George's Day is celebrated throughout England on 23rd of April. Saint George's Day is an annual event that honours Saint George, a Christian martyr who is remembered for his bravery and chivalry when protecting Christians in ancient Rome.

Saint George's Day is celebrated with parades, church services, and community events that remember George's courage. George also became the hero of popular stories, such as the one about rescuing a princess from a dragon.

Multi-Skills

Some Year 1 & 2 children enjoyed a fantastic afternoon at the Multi-Skills Festival yesterday.



All the children displayed great eagerness and tried everything with enthusiasm! Well done!





Picture News

For week beginning 5th May 2026



Why do some people become so important to the world?



Understanding the world around us can help us take better care of it. Sometimes, one person's work can inspire millions to others to learn, care, and make a difference.

Our reflection as we celebrate Sir David Attenborough 100th birthday.

A feast at

Hogwarts



5TH MAY 2026

MAIN COURSE

Chicken, ham and cheese hot sandwich

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Cheese and tomato hot sandwich

Cheese and tomato hot sandwich

With

Herby potatoes

Gilly weed salad

PUDDING

Harry's treacle tart

Treacle tart

Weasley's potion pot

Vanilla flavoured yoghurt

Gryffindor strawberry jelly

Strawberry jelly

Snapes fruit surprise

Fresh fruit salad



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Dates

for your Diary

MAY 2026

Monday 4th

BANK HOLIDAY

Monday 11th to Thursday 14th

Y6 SATS

Friday 15th

PTA School Discos

Monday 18th to Friday 22nd

Y6 PGL Residential

Wednesday 20th

Y5 Visit from Kew Woods

Thursday 21st

CENSUS DAY

Thursday 21st

Y4 In-House Roman Day

Monday 25th to Friday 20th

HALF TERM

JUNE 2026

Monday 1st

INSET DAY

Wednesday 3rd

Y6 Journey & Staying Safe Train Workshop

Wednesday 10th	Y6 Station Visit - Woodpeckers
Thursday 11th	Y6 Station Visit - Magpies
Tuesday 16th	Y5 Ancient Greek Workshop
Friday 19th	EYFS Fathers Day Visit
Monday 22nd	Open Afternoon
Tuesday 23rd	Y3 Ufton Court Trip
Wednesday 24th	EYFS Wellington Country Park Trip
Friday 26th	District Sports Day (selected)
JULY 2026	
Wednesday 1st	Y2 Natural History Museum
Friday 3rd	KS2 Sports Afternoon (details TBC)
Saturday 4th	PTA Hoedown Day 12:00 to 17:00
Friday 10th	EYFS & KS1 Sports Afternoon (details TBC)
Tuesday 14th	Y6 Production (class & times TBC)
Wednesday 15th	Y6 Production (class & times TBC)
Friday 17th	Transition Day

Wednesday 22nd

LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM 14:00 FINISH

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

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- ✓ Soft Toys

What we won't accept

- ✗ Duvets
- ✗ Cushions
- ✗ Off Cuts
- ✗ Carpet
- ✗ Curtains

If the bin is full, please can we kindly ask you not to leave donations until it has been emptied, thank you 😊

PTA PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Hawthorns PTA



15TH MAY



**TICKETS:
£5 PER CHILD**

Includes a packet of crisps and a drink

NEW TIMINGS!!

EYFS & YR 1: 4:45 - 5:45PM
YEAR 2&3: 6:00PM-7:00PM
YEAR 4,5&6: 7:15-8:15PM

**PLEASE BRING YOUR MONEY &
PERMISSION SLIP TO THE DISCO
CASH OR PRE PAY VIA TICKET SOURCE**



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



Hawthorns PTA HOEDOWN



SAVE THE DATE



JULY

4TH

12PM - 5PM

**HELP PROSPECT
DONATE £100 TO THE
HAWTHORNS PTA.**

Prospect Estate Agency, Wokingham's local property experts, have partnered with The Hawthorns School PTA to help raise funds for our school! Sell or let your property with Prospect, and mention 'Hawthorns School' at the free property valuation and Prospect will donate £100 to the PTA upon completion.

PROSPECT.

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PARENT INFORMATION



May Half Term Holiday Camps!



Childcare from **£3.33** an hour
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Open at Hawthorns

Tuesday 26th - Friday 29th May 2026

(Closed Bank Holiday Monday)

What's on offer:

Themed timetable: Back to the 80's!

Creative activities: arts & crafts, drama,
science & baking!

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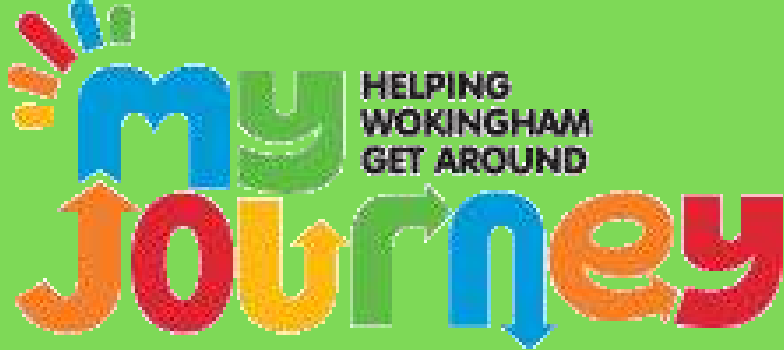
Ages 4 - 13
Sibling Discount



"Staff make the most of the
indoor and outdoor environments
to promote children's health and
well-being."

– Ofsted, Hawkedon Holiday Camp,
July 2025





Earth Day 2026: Our Power, Our Planet

Earth Day is a global annual event held on every year on 22 April and is dedicated to raising awareness on environmental issues such as pollution, climate change, biodiversity loss, and sustainability.

To celebrate Earth Day we launched our primary schools' competition inviting pupils to create a futurist mode of transportation.

Your design should be:

- ✓ Sustainable and environmentally friendly
 - ✓ Label your design showing how and why it is good for the environment
 - ✓ Why your design is good for the air quality around your school
- Please download the competition template and our T&Cs from Related Downloads.

Prizes

Winners will win two £30 vouchers for Go Ape in each of the categories: Early Years, KS1 and KS2

Runners-up will win £30 voucher for Go Ape in each of the categories: Early Years, KS1 and KS2

There are no alternative prizes.

The closing date is Friday, 29 May - please send your entries to us at:
myjourney@wokingham.gov.uk

Good luck!



just play **sports**



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When is the fun happening?

Tuesday 26th - Friday 29th May

Inset Fun Day: Monday 1st June

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 (Not St Pauls)

4-year-olds: 10.00am - 2.00pm



The swimming pool is open at St Pauls on Wednesday and Friday!

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THUR 14TH MAY

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Well Loved Alpaca

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