

'Enabling everyone to flourish' Respect, Perseverance, Creativity

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Important dates and events

Walk to school week – w/c 20th May

Next week is walk to school week. We encourage all families to walk, cycle or scoot to school throughout the week if you can. If you live too far away to do this, you are invited to participate in 'walk and stride' – you can park near to the pond at one end of the village or the war memorial.

Children will be able to log how many times they have travelled to school in an active way during the week.

Outdoor learning day – Monday 20th May

The children will spend much of the day learning whilst outside. This is an important part of what we do at Hawkesbury as we know that it impacts positively on mental health. It may be that the children go for a walk in the village during the day. Children must wear their full school uniform as normal.

Spirited arts exhibition and end of term celebration service – Friday 24th May

All families are invited to join us in school at the earlier time of **2.15pm** on Friday to celebrate some of the learning that has taken place as part of today's spirited arts competition which focuses on how we look after the world around us. There will also be an opportunity to celebrate other achievements from recent weeks as well.

Health week – w/c 17th June

During the third week of Term 6, our annual health week will take place. Mr Bryant has been organising this for us and it will include a range of activities and events to help children to develop and/or maintain healthy lifestyles. We aim to welcome several speakers who can talk to the children about healthy lifestyles – if you or someone you know has a health related background and would like to visit school to talk to the children please let the school office know. This could be anyone who could talk about dental health, healthy eating or physical health (please note – we explore mental health a lot at other points during the year).

During the week we hope to hold the daily mile on the field each morning to which family members are invited. The children will also have the chance to make smoothies and get involved in a range of activities through the week. Mr Bryant will share more detailed information during the first week back once plans are finalised.

Sports day – 21st June, pm

All families are invited to join us on the field for an afternoon of sport. More information will be shared nearer the time depending on the weather forecast.

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Attendance

	Wrens	Robins	Swallows	Hawks	Whole school
Attendance for past 2 weeks	96.9%	98.6%	99.3%	92.9%	97.1%
Cumulative attendance this year	96.3%	96.9%	96.3%	93.2%	95.6%
Lates over past 2 weeks	8	1	6	12	27

Please note: our attendance target is 96.5%. Our school day starts at 8.30am; those arriving after this are marked as late in the registers.

Statutory testing

Well done and thank you to our amazing **Year 6** children who have successfully completed their end of KS2 SATs this week. We have been blown away by their hard work and commitment – such fantastic attitudes from each of them. Results of the tests will be shared when they arrive in July.

Children in **Year 1** will participate in the phonics screening check week commencing 10th June. This will be carried out with Mrs Wiggins on a 1 to 1 basis in a quiet space in the school. Results of the screening will be shared with families as part of end of year reports.

Children in **Year 4** will participate in the multiplication tables checks during the first 3 weeks of June. There is no pass mark for these tests so there will be limited information to share with families. The children have been working hard to develop their understanding of the times tables.

Mental health award

We are pleased to let you know that we were recently awarded with the mental award by the Local Authority health promotion team for the work we do in school to promote positive mental health for all. It is great for the school to receive recognition for its work in this essential area. Thank you in particular to Mrs Wilson for leading this and to all involved in promoting positive mental health across our school.

School uniform

As we head into a slightly warmer few weeks we remind all families that school uniform remains essential. This includes the correct footwear. Please ensure your child wears the correct uniform each day with correct PE kit on PE days. Children must also have a water bottle and hat in school throughout the summer term. Sun cream must be applied at home before children come to school – staff are unable to apply sun cream for children.

Severe peanut allergies

There are a number of children at our school who have severe allergies to peanuts – not only if they are eaten but also through coming into contact with something that the food has touched. As a school we follow guidance that recommends schools should not become completely nut free, but we do ask that children do not bring peanuts or peanut butter into school, particularly as the children are young and therefore the risk is hard for them to manage themselves. We also discourage the sharing of food with their peers in school, as there are a number of food allergies among our pupils, not only peanut. We thank you for your co-operation.

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Celebration service certificates

The following children were recognised during today's celebration service:

Wrens – Theo for flourishing as an author with independent writing. Noelle for perseverance and creativity in art.

Robins – Aria for taking great care with her writing. Raphie for flourishing as an author.

Swallows – Teddy for demonstrating great skills in rounders. Poppy for flourishing as a mathematician

Hawks - Year 6 for all the hard work put in to SATS. Ruby for making great progress in maths.

Families are invited to join us for celebration service on Friday 24th May.

Term 5 calendar

Event	Date and time	Information
All-age service at St Mary's Church	19.05.24 10am	All families are invited to attend this monthly Sunday service.
Outdoor learning day	20.05.24	See above
Families invited to celebration service	24.05.24 2.30pm	See above (spirited art exhibition 2:15pm)
Last day of Term 5	24.05.24 3pm	
First day of Term 6	03.06.24 8.30am	
Class photographs	03.06.24	
KS1 multi-skills festival	05.06.24	Letters will be shared soon.
KAPLA construction day	07.06.24	The PTA have organised this construction day for every class.
Parent council meeting	07.06.24	Please share feedback or questions with class reps.
Phonics screening checks	w/c 10.06.24	Year 1 children will participate.
Multiplication tables checks	w/c 10.06.24	Year 4 children will participate.
Year 6 visit to Gloucester Cathedral	12.06.24	This is an annual leavers service organised by the Diocese.
Hawkesbury 5K	15.06.24	Please book: https://www.hu5k.org/
Health week	w/c 17.06.24	See above
Sports day	21.06.24, pm	See above
INSET day	28.06.24	School will be closed to all children.
Hawk Class residential week	w/c 01.07.24	
Leavers service	19.07.24, 9.30am	We hope to hold this service at the church.
Last day of Term 6	23.07.24, 3pm	Leavers play will take place at 2pm in the school hall.

Dates can also be found on our school website: <https://hawkesburyprimaryschool.co.uk/category/news/>