

# HAWTHORN NEWS OCTOBER 2024

We've had a super start to the term. It was lovely to see so many parents at our poetry sharing events; we've included some feedback below. As we are heading into Autumn, please make sure your child has suitable black school shoes and a waterproof coat for coming to school. Please make sure children's names are in all items of clothing.

Starting on Monday 14th October classes will be collecting non-perishables e.g. pasta, rice, tinned foods etc for Harvest. After our Harvest assembly on Friday 18th October, we will donate all food to the local food bank and look forward to seeing parents in our Harvest assembly.



*Jane Dale*



## Poetry Sharing Event

The children have thoroughly enjoyed sharing their learning as part of their performance poetry unit. Thank you to all of the parents who attended, we received some lovely comments...

It was lovely to be with other parents, I enjoyed it so much.

I had a lot of fun with my child

Absolutely amazing and fun!

Fabulous, involving everyone and their cultures.

Well done to all of the children, lots of wonderful and factual information built into a poem—what a wonderful idea. I felt so proud of my city and the school.

Really nice morning, hearing them all children perform made my heart smile.

Fantastic! It was amazing how we all came together at the end.

I really like this workshop as it builds children's self confidence.

## Head Girl and Head Boy

I would like to introduce our Head Girls and Boys. They are very keen to support the whole school with good attendance and recognise the importance of working in unison to make Hawthorn the best it can be. They shared parts of their speeches in assembly with the school and are looking forward to representing our school at events.



Head Girl



Head Boy



Deputy  
Head Girl



Deputy  
Head Boy

## Winter Fayre



Our Winter Fayre will be on Wednesday 4th December. We will hold a coffee morning on Friday 8th November, straight after assembly for parents, where Lorraine will share more information and gather ideas. Everyone is more than welcome to join in.



If you know of any local businesses who could support with raffle prizes please get in touch.

### Poppy appeal

From **Tuesday 5th November until Monday 11th November**, the Head and Deputy Head Boys and Girls will be selling a range of poppy equipment at break time in the outdoor classroom and on the KS1 yard. **Suggested donation of 50p**, unfortunately due to the collection tin no change can be given so please ensure you provide children with the donation you would like them to make. All money will go to the British Legion.



### Parent evenings.

From Monday 14th October you will be able to book a time slot, via school comms, to meet with your child's class teacher on **Tuesday 5th or Wednesday 6th November**. Appointments are available from 3pm-6pm. This is a chance for you to ask any questions you may have and for the class teachers to share important information about how your child has settled into their new year group.



### Clubs

Once again we have a great range of free after school clubs running this half term. There are still a few clubs with spaces available, these can be booked on School Comms or via the school office.

**There are no clubs week beginning 4th November.**

### Jewellery

We are noticing more children coming into school with larger earrings and wearing jewellery which is not allowed, e.g. bracelets and necklaces.

Please remember only stud earrings are allowed and a basic watch (smart watches are not allowed in school).



### Dates for the Diary

**Wednesday 16th October** - School Photographer

**Friday 18th October**—Harvest assembly 8:45am.

**Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th November**—Parents' Evening in the Hall

**Monday 4th November** —School is closed for a training day.

**Tuesday 5th November**—School reopens for children

**Friday 15th November**—Children in need. Children can come to school in non-uniform.

**Wednesday 11th December**—last day for clubs.

**Wednesday 4th December**—Winter Fayre (a.m. parents only; p.m. children—more information to follow)

**Tuesday 10th December**—Reception, Yr1 and Yr2 Christmas lunch (children can wear a Christmas jumper)

**Wednesday 11th December**—Yr3, Yr4, Yr5, Yr6 Christmas lunch (children can wear a Christmas jumper)

**Tuesday 17th December** - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas party in the afternoon - please send your child to school with their **party clothes in a bag** to get changed into.

**Wednesday 18th December** - Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Party in the afternoon please send your child to school with their **party clothes in a bag** to get changed into.

**Thursday 19th December** - Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Party in the afternoon please send your child to school with their **party clothes in a bag** to get changed into.

**Tuesday 10th December**—KS1 sharing concert a.m. (more information to follow)

**Thursday 12th December**—KS2 concert p.m.; In Harmony Soiree after school with HPSO. (more information to follow)

**Tuesday 17th December**—Reception and KS1 Christmas performance.

**Friday 20th December**—school closes at 1:30pm

**Monday 6th January**—school closed for training day.

**Tuesday 7th January**—school reopens for all children.

