# **HAWTHORN NEWS SEPTEMBER 2021**

A huge welcome back to all of our families and a big welcome to all of our new children and families. It is lovely having all of the children back in school and ready for the year ahead. Please do not hesitate to come and speak to a member of staff if you have any questions; remember to keep checking the website and twitter.



#### **Uniform**

Please remember children should be coming to school in the correct uniform.

Our uniform is: a navy blue sweatshirt, dark trousers or skirt, with a white polo shirt. Year 6 children wear a white shirt with a tie (one tie is provided by school and we are still waiting for these to be delivered). Sweatshirts with the school logo are available from the school office. Alternatively you can order online at www.totstoteams.co.uk and have items delivered to your home or to school.

Sensible black shoes must be worn at all times and PE shoes or trainers worn for PE.

School provides PE kit for each child in school, including a tracksuit.

Headscarves need to be plain navy or black and will need to be removed for P.E sessions.

The only items of jewellery allowed are a wrist watch and small stud earrings (these need to be removed for P.E)

#### **Water bottles**

Please don't send your child into school with a water bottle for the classroom, every child has their own cup which is washed and cleaned every night. Children have access to drinking water throughout the day.



## **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast club is available for children in Yr1-Yr6 and starts at 8:15am. Children can either come to the MUGA or bottom gate and will be taken into the hall by a member of staff. We do have limited spaces available so if you would like a space please contact the school office and we will send a form home for you to complete.

# **Attendance**

It is important your child attends school every day.
Please phone the school office before 08:50am to



let school know if they are going to be absent.

Please make any appointments out of school hours; if this is not possible we will require a copy of the appointment before we can authorise the absence.

School holidays in term time **cannot** be authorised.

#### **Packed Lunches**



Can we please remind everyone that we are a 'Healthy School' with healthy school status. School meals are nutritionally balanced and we ask that packed lunches match the school meals standards as well, e.g. a sandwich/wrap, rice/pasta, fruit, yoghurts, small bag of crisps. Chocolate and sweets are not allowed in school.

Please remember we are a nut free school so do not include any in packed lunches.

#### **Book Bags**

Children should be bringing their book bags home every night and these need to be returned to school on a daily basis. **Books will be changed for the children on a Monday and a Thursday.**If you have any book bags at home, can you please return these as soon as possible please.
Replacement book bags are available to buy at the school office. We only have a limited number at the office so more may need to be ordered.



#### **Parents into Classrooms**

We are really excited about being able to have parents back into school and we would like to invite you in to meet your child's new class teacher who will be able to share information about the year with you and a chance for you to ask any questions.

We will be in the hall so we have plenty of space.

	9am	3pm
Monday 13th September	Year 6	Year 2
Tuesday 14th September	Year 3	Year 1
Wednesday 15th September	Year 4	
Thursday 16th September	Year 5	
Friday 17th September	Reception	

If you are attending a 9am slot please just wait at the gate until we get all of the children in and then a member of staff will take you into the hall.

If you are attending a 3pm session, please come through the school office.

We will upload any information shared by the class teachers onto the website in case you are unable to stay for the session but we would love to see as many of you as possible.



### **Clubs**

We will be starting after school clubs from the week beginning 20th September. A letter will be coming home with your child next week explaining which clubs are available and a form for



you to complete. We always try to offer a wide range of clubs and because our clubs are so popular we offer spaces on a first come, first serve basis, as usual clubs will run on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30pm-4:30pm.

#### **School Ping**

At Hawthorn we use School Ping, which is a live communication app for schools. This is the fastest way to provide parents with any information and ensure you are kept up to date with what is happening in school. Please ensure you download the School Ping APP.



If you are having trouble accessing School Ping, please contact the school office and we will try and support you with this.

#### **Summer School**

Our summer school was a great success this year and the children who attended enjoyed activities with the In Harmony music staff and Razzamataz Theatre School as well as lots of fun activities outside on the MUGA.

Each week we were able to put on a short performance for parents and it was lovely to see how much the children achieved.

Thank you to Lorna, Sammy and the In Harmony tutors and to Esme and James from Razzamataz. Look out for more opportunities over the course of this academic year.

