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*Dear Parents and Carers,*

***Comic Relief Winners***

*Thank you to all the children who took part in our Comic Relief 'Design a Red Nose' competition organised by our School Council. We are delighted to announce the winners:*

*River D-S*

*Margaux*

*Eli*

*Well done to all our winners - you have all earned house points for yourselves and your houses!!*

***Lunch-time Week of Sports***

*Next week, our fantastic lunch time supervisors will be hosting their Week of Sports in order for children to earn house points. There will be a variety of activities on offer - please encourage your children to join in and boost their house point totals!*

### **Toast & Tales**

*Toast & Tales for Y1 will take place on Tuesday and Y2 is on Wednesday. Please come and join your child for a story and a light breakfast from 8.20am in the hall. Please note: there will be no Sensory Circuits on Toast and Tales days. Booking has now closed for this event.*

### **EYFS & KS1 Maypole Dancing**

*The EYFS and KS1 children will be performing their traditional Maypole and Country Dancing on **Friday 8th May at 2 pm**. Parents are welcome to attend this event - please enter the school via the gates on Broadway which will open at 1.50 pm. The children should wear their party clothes to school including sensible footwear – they will be dancing so no open toes or shoes that do not fasten up properly. After the event you may take your children home. We look forward to an enjoyable afternoon and fingers crossed for some sunshine!*

*As in previous years, the KS2 children will be performing midsummer dances later in the term and we also look forward to welcoming parents to this event.*

### **FOH Logo Competition**

*Friends of Hawthorn are looking for a brand new logo and would love to give the children the opportunity to design it. This is a fantastic chance for them to be creative, share their ideas and contribute something special to our school community.*

*Design sheets are available from class teachers. Please submit all entries by **Friday 1st May**.*

### **Items in School**

*A reminder please that your child should not be bringing items from home into school. These include football cards, Pokémon Cards, Sticky Rolls bracelets, etc. These items can get lost or broken and cause unnecessary disruption throughout the school day. Please also do not send your child into school with 'fidget toys'. These are only required in a very small minority of cases, often following professional advice. If a child is deemed as needing one of these items, school will provide one that is most suitable and recommended for your child's needs. Thank you for your support with this.*

### **Playground Champions**

*The Lunchtime Supervisors have chosen these children as this week's Playground Champions:*

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- Brodie
  - George R
  - Danii
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*Well done children - you have all shown brilliant behaviours on the playground, playing respectfully and supporting others...and have earned 5 House Points for your house!!!*

### **May Holiday Club**

*EcoCoach will be running Holiday Club from 26th-29th May. Activities include: games and sports, movement and dance, arts and crafts, yoga and Nerf challenges. Please see the flyer below for details of how to book on and to take advantage of the early bird offer.*

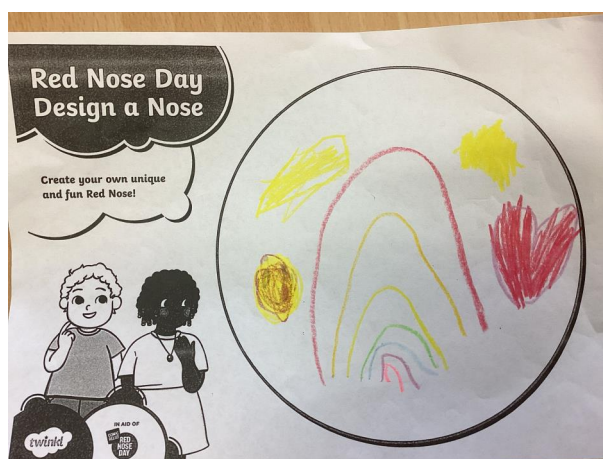
*Have a lovely weekend.*

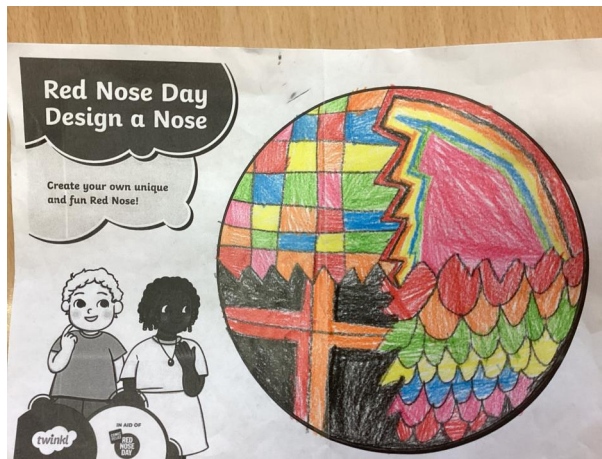
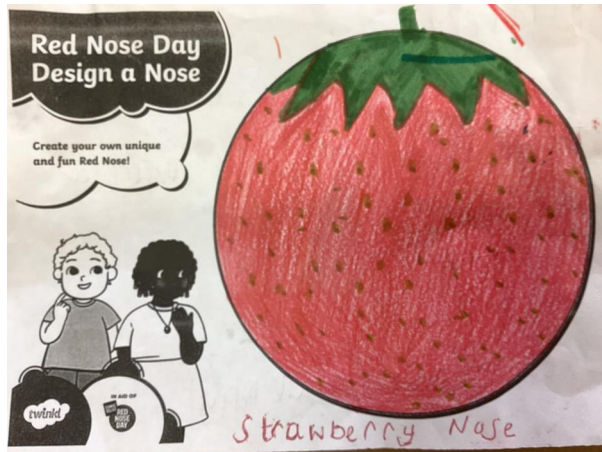
*Best wishes,*

*Emma Jacox*

*Head Teacher*

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**ECOCOACH**  
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**ECOCOACH CIC PRESENTS**

**May Activity Camp**

**Hawthorn Primary School**

**Games & Sports · Movement & Dance ·  
Arts & Crafts · Yoga · Nerf Challenges**







**DATES:** 26<sup>th</sup> May - 29<sup>th</sup> May  
**TIMES:** 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Late pick-up (4:00 PM) available for £5.  
**Ages:** 5 - 11 years. 4-year-olds welcome for half-days (9:00 AM to 1:00 PM).  
**WHO CAN JOIN:** Open to all schools - all abilities welcome! SEND friendly & fully inclusive!  
**PRICING AND DISCOUNTS:** **EARLY BIRD 17% OFF** available until 3<sup>rd</sup> May (USE CODE: **ECOMAYDAY17**)  
 Standard prices apply from 4<sup>th</sup> of May £25 per day.  
 15% OFF for FSM, 10% OFF for NHS and Military families (Cannot be combined with the early bird offer).  
**BOOKING:** Visit <https://pbbl.uk/EcoCoachCIC> or scan the QR code to secure your space.  
**WHY ECOCOACH?**  
 We are a not-for-profit coaching CIC working in schools across your community. Every child matters, every penny goes back into supporting inclusive, joyful, child-led sport.  
 Our camps are designed around what children need most: freedom, fun, friendship and movement.  
**“EVERY CHILD SEEN, EVERY CHILD SUPPORTED”**

## Summer Term Sports Clubs

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*Please see below details of this term's Sports Clubs, run by EcoCoach. All clubs will run from 3.30-4.30pm and cost £5 per session (Pupil Premium discount available).*

*Reception and KS1: Pokemon & K Pop Demon Hunters Club*

*Starts: 15 April 2026 (Wednesdays, 6 sessions)*

*KS2: Netball Club*

*Starts: 14 April 2026 (Tuesdays, 6 sessions)*

*Please see below for details of how to book.*

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**ECOCOACH CIC PRESENTS**

**AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY CLUBS AT  
HAWTHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**STARTING 14 APRIL 2026**



**ECOCOACH CIC ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THE LAUNCH OF OUR NEW AFTER-SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS FOR KS1 (INCLUDING RECEPTION) AND KS2 CHILDREN, OFFERING AN ENGAGING AND FUN-FILLED OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP NEW SKILLS, STAY ACTIVE, AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS!**



**KS1 POKÉMON & K-POP DEMON HUNTERS CLUB: STARTS: 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026 (WEDNESDAYS, 6 SESSIONS)  
YEAR GROUPS: RECEPTION, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2**

**KS2 NETBALL CLUB: STARTS: 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026 (TUESDAYS, 6 SESSIONS) YEAR GROUPS: YEARS 3 - 6**

**TIME: 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM  
COST PER SESSION: £5**

**DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE:  
WE'RE COMMITTED TO MAKING CHILDCARE MORE AFFORDABLE:  
15% OFF FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN ON FREE SCHOOL MEALS (FSM)**

**10% OFF FOR NHS, MILITARY, OR BLUE LIGHT CARD HOLDERS**

**TO CLAIM YOUR DISCOUNT:  
EMAIL GREENOFFICE@ECO-COACH.CO.UK WITH A PHOTO OF YOUR EVIDENCE (FSM ELIGIBILITY OR VALID ID).  
WE'LL SEND YOU A UNIQUE DISCOUNT CODE TO USE WHEN BOOKING.**

**HOW TO BOOK:  
PARENTS CAN CHOOSE TO BOOK INDIVIDUAL SESSIONS OR THE WHOLE TERM.**

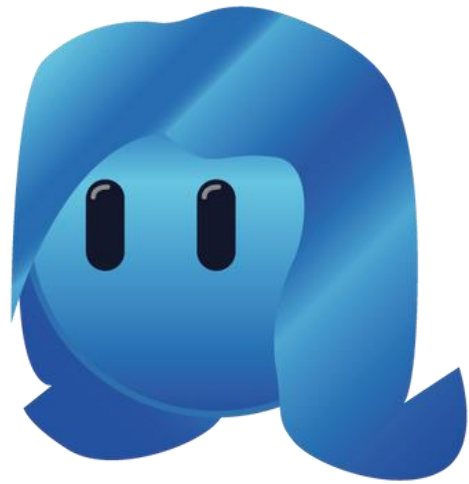
**THE MAXIMUM CAPACITY IS 20 CHILDREN PER SESSION, AND 5 SPOTS ARE RESERVED FOR FSM CHILDREN.  
IF THESE SPOTS ARE NOT FILLED, THOSE ON THE WAITING LIST WILL BE OFFERED PLACES. IF THERE'S HIGH DEMAND, WE WILL CONSIDER ADDING AN ADDITIONAL COACH TO ACCOMMODATE MORE CHILDREN. BOOKINGS ARE FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED, AND ONLINE PAYMENT ONLY.**

**BOOKING LINK: [HTTPS://PBBL.UK/ECOCOACHCIC](https://pbbl.uk/ecocoachcic)**

**WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO A FANTASTIC TERM OF SPORTS, TEAMWORK, AND FUN! HURRY AND SECURE YOUR SPOT NOW!  
FOR ANY ENQUIRIES, PLEASE CONTACT GREENOFFICE@ECO-COACH.CO.UK**



## House Points so far...



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*Click on the cards to see which house is in the lead so far!! It's getting close at the top!*

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**Air - 1268 points**

**Fire - 1286 points**

**Earth - 1374 points**

**Water - 1386 points**



# What Parents and Carers Need to Know About...YouTube

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many apps that we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

## What Parents & Carers Need to Know about YOUTUBE

YouTube is a video-sharing social media platform that allows billions of people around the world to watch, share and upload their own videos with a vast range of content – including sport, entertainment, education and lots more. It's a superb space for people to consume content that they're interested in. As a result, this astronomically popular platform has had a huge social impact: influencing online culture on a global scale and creating new celebrities.

### INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

YouTube is free and can be accessed via numerous devices, even without creating a YouTube account. Some content is flagged as 'age-restricted' (requiring the user to be logged into an account with a verified age of 18), but children can still view some mildly inappropriate material. This can include profanity and violence, which some young users may find upsetting.

### HIGH VISIBILITY

Content creators can also be put at risk – especially young ones who try to make their online presence as visible as possible. Creating and uploading content exposes children to potential harassment and toxicity from the comments section, along with the possibility of direct messaging from strangers. Videos posted publicly can be watched by anyone in the world.

### CONNECT WITH STRANGERS

YouTube is a social media platform which allows people to interact with other (usually unknown) users. Account holders can leave comments on any video they have access to, as well as messaging other users directly. Connecting with strangers online, of course, can potentially lead to children being exposed to adult language, to cyberbullying and even to encountering online predators.

### TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

YouTube is teeming with trends, challenges and memes that are fun to watch and join in with. Children often find these immensely entertaining and might want to try them out. Most challenges tend to be safe, but many others may harm children through either watching or copying. The painful 'salt and ice challenge', which can cause injuries very quickly, is just one of many such examples.

### SUGGESTED CONTENT

YouTube recommends videos related to what the user has previously watched on their account, aiming to provide content that will interest them. This is intended to be helpful but can also lead to binge-watching and the risk of screen addiction, especially if 'auto-play' is activated. Users without an account are shown popular videos from the last 24 hours, which might not always be suitable for children.

### SNEAKY SCAMMERS

Popular YouTube channels regularly have scammers posing as a well-known influencer in the comments section, attempting to lure users into clicking on their phishing links. Scammers impersonate YouTubers by adopting their names and profile images, and sometimes offer cash gifts or 'get rich quick' schemes. Children may not realise that these users are not who they claim to be.

### Advice for Parents & Carers

#### APPLY RESTRICTED MODE

Restricted Mode is an optional setting that prevents YouTube from showing inappropriate content (such as drug and alcohol abuse, graphic violence and sexual situations) to underage viewers. To prevent your child from chancing across age-inappropriate content on the platform, we would recommend enabling Restricted Mode on each device that your child uses to access YouTube.

#### TRY GOOGLE FAMILY

Creating a Google Family account allows you to monitor what your child is watching, uploading and sharing with other users. It will also display their recently watched videos, searches and recommended videos. In general, a Google Family account gives you an oversight of how your child is using sites like YouTube and helps you ensure they are only accessing appropriate content.

#### CHECK PRIVACY SETTINGS

YouTube gives users the option of uploading videos as 'private' or 'unlisted' – so they could be shared exclusively with family and friends, for example. Comments on videos can also be disabled and channels that your child is subscribed to can be hidden. If your child is only uploading videos that are protected as 'private', they are far less likely to receive direct messages from strangers.

#### CHECK OTHER PLATFORMS

Influential content creators usually have other social media accounts which they encourage their fans to follow. Having an open discussion about this with your child makes it easier to find out how else they might be following a particular creator online. It also opens up avenues for you to check out that creator's other channels to see what type of content your child is being exposed to.

#### MONITOR ENGAGEMENT

YouTube is the online viewing platform of choice for billions of people, many of them children. Younger children will watch different content to older ones, of course, and react to content differently. You may want to keep an eye on how your child interacts with content on YouTube – and, if applicable, with content creators – to understand the types of videos they are interested in.

#### LIMIT SPENDING

Although YouTube is free, it does offer some in-app purchases: users can rent and buy TV shows and movies to watch, for example. If you're not comfortable with your child purchasing content online, limit their access to your bank cards and online payment methods. Many parents have discovered to their cost that a child happily devouring a paid-for series quickly leads to an unexpected bill.

#### Meet Our Expert

Clara Godwin (a.k.a. Lunawolf) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2015, providing websites with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the owner of Lunawolf Gaming and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.

**National Online Safety**  
#WakeUpWednesday

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## Online Gaming

Please see below the link for the April video from Knowsley Council on **Online Gaming**.

This video provides a quick overview on how to keep your child safe whilst gaming online, outlining communication risks, in game spending, age ratings and reporting tools.

<https://www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/Online-Gaming.mp4>

For information on talking with child about social media, please click on the following link which will take you to the Internet Matters website: [Internet Matters: Talking with your child about social media](#)

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## Positive Parenting Programme

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*Please see details of a parenting course being offered by NCT :*

### **POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAMME FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES**

**Event Details:**

**Day:** Wednesday

**Time:** 12:00-14:00

**First Session Date:** 27th May 2026

**Last Session Date:** 22nd July 2026

**Venue:** Kettering Family Hub

*This course is currently being delivered face to face over 9 weeks.*

*Each group session will last 2 hours with a short comfort break midway through.*

*For further information or to get booked on please use this link -*  
[https://www.eventbrite.com/e/positive-parenting-programme-for-parents-of-children-with-additional-needs-tickets-1987820935930?aff=ebdsoporqprofile& qI=1\\*eaz4fb\\* up\\*MQ..\\* qa\\*MTAzNzQzMTA4LjE3NzY3NjY0MjU.\\* qa TQVES5V6SH\\*cze3NzY3NjY0MjQkbzEkZzAkdD](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/positive-parenting-programme-for-parents-of-children-with-additional-needs-tickets-1987820935930?aff=ebdsoporqprofile& qI=1*eaz4fb* up*MQ..* qa*MTAzNzQzMTA4LjE3NzY3NjY0MjU.* qa TQVES5V6SH*cze3NzY3NjY0MjQkbzEkZzAkdD)

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## POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAMMES

Children with additional needs  
0 to 12 Years



**NCT**

- Adapt to caring for a disabled child
- Take care of yourself as a parent
- Develop a safe, interesting and positive learning environment

## Community News & Events



**LAKELANDS CARE HOSPICE**  
www.lakelandshospice.org.uk

**Home START**  
Corby

# 5K CORBY 5K CHARITY RUN

In aid of the Mayor of Corby's Charities:  
Lakelands Care Hospice and Home Start Corby

**Where?** Rockingham Triangle Athletics Stadium,  
Jimmy Kane Way, Corby, NN17 2FB

**When?** Sunday 26th April  
Registration opens 12:30pm

First race at 1:30pm,  
Fun Run starts at 2:30pm

**Cost:** £8 per adult, £5 per child  
Family of 6: £32

Family of 4: £21  
Spectators £1 donations per person

All ages and abilities welcome! Run, walk, skip or dance your way around and everyone will receive a medal for taking part!



Please scan to register!

**All profits donated to Lakelands Care Hospice & Home-Start Corby**

# REPAIR CAFE Kettering



## BIN IT? NO WAY!

### KETTERING'S GOT A REPAIR CAFÉ!

#### Got something broken? Bring your:

Kitchen knives  
Textiles & clothing  
Small appliances  
Well-loved toys  
Bicycles  
Electronics  
Jewellery  
and more!



For a voluntary contribution, our volunteers will help fix your items while teaching you valuable repair skills. Let's reduce waste, save money and extend the life of our favourite things!

Refreshments and cakes available in our café while you wait.



#### WHEN?

##### 2026 DATES

Feb 21 | May 16  
Sep 19 | Nov 28  
10am-1pm

#### WHERE?

ST MICHAEL'S  
CHURCH  
33 GARFIELD ST  
KETTERING  
NN15 6BU

#### Do I need to book?

No, just turn up with your item.



If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help, contact [repaircafekettering@gmail.com](mailto:repaircafekettering@gmail.com)

COMMUNITY - CREATIVITY - CONNECTION

# ANALOGUE AFTERNOONS

FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH 1-4PM

ST MICHAEL'S, GARFIELD ST., KETTERING, NN15 6BU

**COME TOGETHER TO BUILD COMMUNITY  
ENJOY TIME AWAY FROM SCREENS & SOCIAL MEDIA**

BRING YOUR OWN CRAFTS,  
BOOKS, GAMES & HOBBIES

SHARE SUPPLIES & SKILLS

TAKE PART IN CREATIVE  
COMMUNITY PROJECTS

#### KIDS ZONE

LEGO, CRAFTS  
& GAMES IN A  
SAFE SPACE

MUST ATTEND WITH A  
RESPONSIBLE ADULT

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME - FREE OF CHARGE**

*Messy Mayhem Creative Play*

*Wednesday afternoons, 1-2pm*

*St Michael's Church, Garfield Street*

*£6 per child*

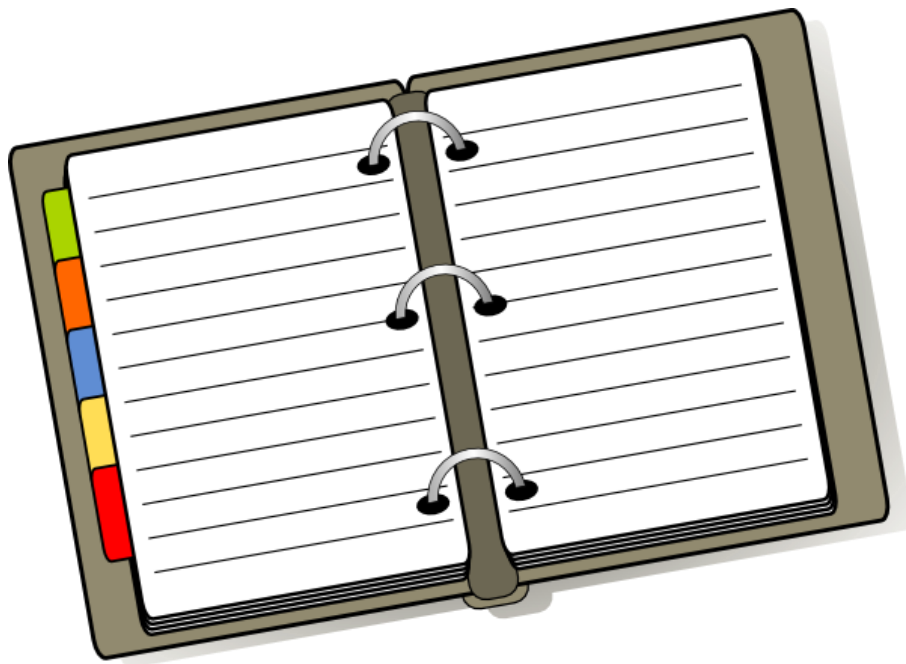
*Suitable for children from when they can sit!*

*Come and spend some time with your little one exploring different textures, sights, sounds and smells.*

*For more info contact Linda at [MessyMayhemCP@outlook.com](mailto:MessyMayhemCP@outlook.com)*

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## **Dates For Your Diary...**



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***Mon 27th April: Lunch-time Week of Sports***

*LKS2 at Slade Brook*

***Tues 28th April: Y1 Toast & Tales (8.20am)***

***Weds 29th April: Y2 Toast & Tales (8.20am)***

**Mon 4th May:** *Mayday Bank Holiday - school closed*

**Weds 6th May:** *Y3 Toast & Tales (8.20am)*

**Thurs 7th May:** *Y4 Toast & Tales (8.20am)*

*Y6 2026 Residential Meeting (3.30pm)*

**Fri 8th May:** *EYFS & KS1 Mayday Dancing (Broadway gates open at 1.50pm, dancing at 2pm)*

**Mon 11th May:** *Y6 SATs Week*

**Mon 18th May:** *Little Hawthorns (2pm)*

**Tues 19th May:** *Y6 Height and Weight Screening*

*EYFS & KS1 Celebration Assembly - invite only (9am)*

*KS2 Celebration Assembly - invite only (2.15pm)*

**Weds 20th May:** *Y5 & Y6 Toast & Tales (8.20am)*

*Y6 Shakespeare project starts*

**Thurs 21st May:** *Y6 Cake Sale*

**Fri 22nd May:** *Break Up*



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