



Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss Catherine Biddick

23.10.26

Dear Families

It is hard to believe that we have already reached the end of our first half term. The weeks have flown by and have been filled with exciting learning opportunities, new experiences and many achievements across the school.

Thank you for attending the meetings with your child's teacher this week. We hope you found the discussions informative and valuable in understanding how your child has settled into the school year and the progress they are making. We are incredibly proud of how much the children have accomplished already, and it is always a pleasure to see the enthusiasm and pride they show when sharing their work. Please remember that you do not need to wait for scheduled meetings if you have any questions or concerns. Your child's teacher will always be happy to speak with you, and the office team can help arrange this at any time.

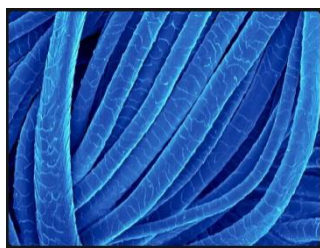
This week also saw the completion of our Celebration Corridor, and we have loved seeing families take the opportunity to enjoy the displays. Our current theme is *Black Lives and Inspirational People*, with each class learning about a different individual, exploring their achievements, and considering the positive impact they have had on society and the wider world. The displays showcase some of the thoughtful and inspiring work the children have produced as part of this learning.

Thank you for your understanding over the later school opening this morning. This has a big impact on family arrangements so is always very carefully thought through before making a decision to delay opening or closing the school. The children have settled in well this morning, with lots of tales to tell about the wind and waves, and have made the most of the shorter day.

Hopefully, after the weekend, the weather will settle down, allowing everyone to have a great break and we very much look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 2nd November, with Breakfast Club open from 7.45am and gates opening at 8.30am, ready for registers at 8.45am.

Science Challenge

Welcome to October's Science challenge!



This month your challenge is to think as a scientist to guess what this magnified image from Explorify could be.

Hint: Think about your topics on materials.....

Bring your answers on paper to Mrs Hart before the end of the month. The winner will be selected in an assembly!



My Personal Best Life Skill for next week is...

Resilience

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We explore our life skills each week and link them to our ASPIRE values, encouraging their use in all our activities. You can read more about this here - [My Personal Best - Youth Sport Trust](#) and here - [Mount Hawke Academy - Ethos, Aims & Values](#)

Communications

Remember to use the email hello@mounthawke.org or phone 01209 890230 if you need to speak to one of us, let us know about something or share something with us. Miss Biddick is usually on the gate every morning and afternoon too.

All of us here at school would like to wish you a very happy and safe weekend and a wonderful half term..

The calendar below will be updated as the year moves on...

MHA Calendar	
Wednesday 11 th November	Maths Morning – 9.00am-10.00am Find out more about maths at MHA at 9.00am in the hall & then visit classes
Friday 13 th November	Children in Need Day – own clothes for a donation
Monday 7 th December	Y5 & Y6 Christmas Performance – more details soon
Tuesday 8 th December	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Performance – more details soon
Wednesday 9 th December	Y3 & Y4 Christmas Performance – more details soon
Friday 11 th December	YR Christmas Performance – more details soon
Monday 14 th December	Open Classrooms 2.30 pm – 3.00 pm
Friday 18 th December	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day Break up for Christmas Holidays
Monday 4 th January	Training Day – school closed for children
Tuesday 5 th January	Children return to school for Spring Term

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Mount Hawke Academy – Term Dates 2026-2027

September 2026						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

October 2026						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

November 2026						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

December 2026						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

January 2027						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tue		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thurs		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	

February 2027						
Mon		1	8	15	22	
Tue		2	9	16	23	
Wed		3	10	17	24	
Thurs		4	11	18	25	
Fri		5	12	19	26	
Sat		6	13	20	27	
Sun		7	14	21	28	

March 2027						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24	31	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

April 2027						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24		
Sun	4	11	18	25		

May 2027						
Mon		3	10	17	24	31
Tue		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thurs		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	

June 2027						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

July 2027						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

August 2027						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	31
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2026
Boxing Day	28 December 2026
New Years Day	01 January 2027
Good Friday	26 March 2027
Easter Monday	29 March 2027
May Bank Holiday	03 May 2027
Spring Bank Holiday	31 May 2027
Summer Bank Holiday	30 August 2027

AUTUMN TERM (72 days)

3 September - 18 December 2026
(HALF TERM 26 - 30 October 2026)

SPRING TERM (54 days)

4 January - 25 March 2027
(HALF TERM 15 - 19 February 2027)

SUMMER TERM (69 days)

12 April - 23 July 2027
(HALF TERM 31 May - 4 June 2027)

195 days are on the school calendar.
School will be open to pupils for 190 days.
The five additional days are allotted for Staff Training.

Training Days – school closed for children:

- Thursday 3rd September 2026
- Friday 4th September 2026
- Monday 4th January 2027
- Thursday 25th March 2027
- Monday 7th June 2027



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