



Messages



In this document you will find all the messages sent home to parents / carers via Arbor.

Date	Message to Parents / Carers
8 th May 2026	<p>Good Afternoon</p> <p>I am writing to inform you that squishy toys are not permitted in school. Some of these toys contain latex, which we do not allow in school as we have some students with a latex allergy. Squishy toys are also often popped by students and the inside makes a mess in our school. Although they may appear harmless, there have also been several national safety warnings highlighting concerns about the materials used in some squishy toys.</p> <p>An article has been recently published on the BBC about the dangers they pose https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c62d4pqjqrlo?app-referrer=deep-link</p> <p>Due to these risks, we must prioritise the safety and wellbeing of all students. Any squishy toy brought into school will be confiscated and disposed of immediately. Unfortunately, we are unable to store these items due to the mess they can make and the allergy issue.</p> <p>Can you please speak to your child about this message. We will also speak to them in assemblies and form time next week.</p> <p>We appreciate your support in ensuring that students do not bring squishy toys into school.</p> <p>Kind Regards Mr McKendrick</p>
1 st May 2026	<p>Dear parents and carers,</p> <p>Thank you for your continued support since we returned after the Easter break in settling our students back into their routines. It is very much appreciated by all staff as we work together to maintain a positive and safe environment for every student.</p>

	<p>Earlier this week we spoke to all student about not spraying water in any way. The students have responded brilliantly to this, demonstrating respect for their peers and school community. As the weather becomes warmer, I would like to kindly remind you that water pistols, and any form of water throwing, including from water bottles, are not permitted in school. We want to ensure that all students feel safe and are able to enjoy their school day without these issues.</p> <p>Please also note that full school uniform is still expected throughout the warmer weather. If any adjustments become necessary, we will communicate these clearly.</p> <p>As I continue to support the school in Mr McKendrick's absence, I remain committed to working with staff and leaders to uphold high standards for the benefit of your child and the wider school community. Poor behaviour will continue to be taken seriously and addressed appropriately.</p> <p>Thank you again for your cooperation. Kind regards, Mrs Conefrey</p>
<p>26th March 2026</p>	<p>Dear Parent/Carer</p> <p>Following our recent update on the Push for Positives initiative, I'm pleased to share that thousands of positive awards have already been issued to students for their hard work and high standards. With one week left before our Easter Egg rewards are given out, this is a great chance for a final push and a strong end to the term.</p> <p>Students will continue to be recognised for positive behaviour, good attendance, and punctuality. Weekly rewards remain in place, and the end-of-term Easter reward will be given to those who meet the criteria below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behaviour: A positive points ratio on Arbor with no negative points. • Attendance: Above the national average between 2nd March and 2nd April. • Punctuality: Arriving on time to school and lessons. <p>All rewards celebrate students who consistently turn up and do their best. In the last three weeks, we have already celebrated over 100 Hawkley students for excellent attendance and effort, and this number will continue to grow.</p>

	<p>Please support your child in meeting the criteria so they can enjoy the end-of-term reward.</p> <p>Yours sincerely, Mr Porteous</p>
5 th March 2026	<p>Dear Parents and Carers,</p> <p>To help us improve communication and ensure that queries are handled as efficiently as possible, we kindly ask that you do not email teaching staff or Heads of Year directly.</p> <p>Instead, please send all enquiries to admin@hhhs.net, and include the name of the staff member you wish to contact in the subject line. This will help us track messages more effectively and ensure they reach the right member of staff promptly.</p> <p>Thank you for your support in helping us to continue to improve communication.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>
23 rd February 2026	<p>Dear Parent/Carer,</p> <p>It has been brought to our attention that some parents/carers have an old version of the school term dates. Please use the school website for the most up to date holiday patterns as Google search can store old documents/not always be accurate. The dates can be found under 'For Parents > Term Dates' or via the link below https://hhhs.net/term-dates/</p> <p>Kind Regards Hawkley Hall High School</p>
23 rd February 2026	<p>Dear Parents and Carers,</p> <p>I hope you and your families have had a restful half-term break. As we begin the new half-term at Hawkley Hall High School, I would like to extend a warm welcome back to all our students and their families.</p> <p>A new half-term brings fresh opportunities for learning, growth, and achievement. To ensure every student can make the most of these opportunities, I want to highlight two key expectations that play a vital role in their success: positive school attendance and full, correct uniform.</p> <p>Consistent attendance is one of the strongest predictors of academic progress. When students are in school every day, they are better able to engage with their learning, build strong relationships, and develop the routines that support long-term success. We ask for your continued support in ensuring your child attends school</p>

	<p>punctually and regularly. Please remind them to not be late and arrive at 8.28am.</p> <p>Wearing the correct uniform is equally important. Our uniform reflects the high standards we uphold as a school and helps create a sense of pride, equality, and belonging among our students. Please ensure your child returns to school in full, correct uniform each day, including appropriate footwear and any required equipment. Additionally, a polite reminder that jewellery, make-up and false eyelashes / nails are not permitted. Full uniform expectations can be found on our website.</p> <p>Your partnership is essential in helping us maintain a positive, focused learning environment for all students. If you have any questions or require support with uniform or attendance, please do not hesitate to contact us.</p> <p>Thank you for your ongoing support. We look forward to a successful and productive half-term ahead.</p> <p>Warm regards, Mr Porteous</p>
<p>11th February 2026</p>	<p>Good morning, As you are aware, we are continuing our attendance push this week. Students who attend every day will be entered into a live prize draw on Friday. High attendance supports both academic progress and social development. Please continue to support your child by ensuring they arrive at school every day, on time, and in full school uniform.</p> <p>Kind regards The Attendance team Hawkley Hall High School</p>
<p>9th February 2026</p>	<p>Good morning, We have received an update from Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) that from the 23rd of February, the 956 school bus service between HHHS and Winstanley will no longer stop in the afternoon between the school and Holmes House Avenue to manage overcrowding on this service. Students who live closer are encouraged to take the 601 bus service from Colby/Whitecroft Road, which follows the same route to Holmes House Avenue, to ensure that those travelling the furthest can use the 956 school service.</p> <p>Unfortunately, as a school we do not have any control of the decisions relating to the buses as they are not commissioned by</p>

	<p>school, however where possible we work with TfGM and Stagecoach to ensure that our students are catered for.</p> <p>In light of this, please find attached the updated timetable.</p> <p>If you have any questions, please contact Miss Harrison at school or TfGM on 0161 244 1000 or visit their website on beenetwork.com</p>
<p>6th February 2026</p>	<p>Good afternoon,</p> <p>Friday the 13th is sometimes seen as an unlucky day, however for some lucky students in Hawkley Hall High School it will be the exact opposite. Students who attend school every day next week will be in with a chance to be one of our Friday the 13th winners.</p> <p>Kind Regards Mr McKendrick</p>
<p>25th January 2026</p>	<p>Dear parent / Carer,</p> <p>Students with attendance above 95% make stronger academic progress and achieve better GCSE outcomes. Every day in school counts.</p> <p>Thank you for supporting your child to attend regularly. We look forward to welcoming all students into school tomorrow morning.</p> <p>Kind Regards, Mr Porteous Hawkley Hall High School Carr Lane Hawkley Hall Wigan Lancashire WN3 5NY</p>
<p>11th December 2025</p>	<p>Dear Parent/Carer,</p> <p>We wanted to make you aware that there has been a police presence on the land next to the school today. We have been reassured that this activity is not connected to the school in any way.</p> <p>All students and staff are safe, and the school day has continued as normal.</p> <p>We will keep you updated if any further information becomes relevant, but at this time there is no cause for concern.</p> <p>Thank you for your understanding.</p>

	<p>Kind Regards Mr P McKendrick</p>
<p>2nd December 2025</p>	<p>Good afternoon,</p> <p>Regular attendance is vital for every student's success. Missing just two school days per month can add up to nearly a month of lost learning over the year, making it harder for students to keep up with lessons and friendships. Please continue to support your child by ensuring that they attend school every day. If you would like support with your child's attendance, please contact our attendance team at school. I am pleased to share that our school attendance is currently above the national and local authority averages. Students who are attending every day are giving themselves a better chance of success in their chosen path.</p> <p>Thanks for your continued support</p> <p>Mr McKendrick</p>
<p>2nd November 2025</p>	<p>Good afternoon,</p> <p>We look forward to welcoming all our students back to school on Monday 3rd November. Please support your child by ensuring that they arrive on time, in full school uniform including no make up, false eyelashes or false nails and natural hair colour. Can we also please have your support in ensuring that students are in front of the teachers as often as possible and as such use the toilets before school, break, lunch and after school unless they have a medical condition. Students will never be stopped from using the toilet, however, the disruption this causes to students learning, including the rest of the class as students leave the room effects the progress that they are making. 10 minutes of missed learning per day is the equivalent to missing over 35 hours of teaching in a year.</p> <p>Thank you for your continued support.</p> <p>Mr McKendrick</p>
<p>10th September 2025</p>	<p>Good morning,</p> <p>I am a firm believer that that our school will continue to improve through a collaborative approach with staff, students, and parents/carers. I have received some parental feedback regarding the email that is sent with the intention to support your understanding of when your child is missing learning due to going to the toilet. As mentioned, this was designed to support both medical</p>

	<p>needs and missed learning. Following the feedback we have made the decision to stop the email being sent out to you while still logging toilet use on Arbor. This way, you can still keep an eye on your child's activity in school and support them where needed. Students have never and will never be stopped from going to the toilet, however we ask that you continue to support the school by asking your son/daughter to use the toilets before school, break, lunch and after school where they can.</p> <p>Thanks again for the feedback.</p> <p>Kind regards Hawkley Hall High School</p>
<p>3rd September 2025</p>	<p>Good afternoon,</p> <p>We have had a lovely start back to the year for all students today. This included assemblies regarding our expectations, and, importantly, attendance to school. Students in Hawkley Hall High School with more than 90% attendance achieve on average one grade more in all their subjects, than students with less than 90%. Attendance means being in front of the teachers. Please ensure that you support your child to attend school everyday on time in full school uniform.</p> <p>As mentioned in my letter prior to summer, if your child needs to miss their learning by leaving the classroom during lesson to use the toilet, we will send you an email to let you know. My hope is that this will support any students who have a medical pass with their next medical review, and an students without a medical pass with their attendance in lessons. Thank you for continuing to support our school by asking your child, where possible, to use the toilet before school, break, lunch or after school. Again, students will not be stopped from going to the toilet during lessons.</p> <p>Finally, our open evening for primary students takes place next Wednesday from 5.30pm until 7.30 pm.</p> <p>Please continue to follow us on social media for regular updates.</p> <p>Mr McKendrick</p>