

Newsletter 12th July 2024

There are only a few weeks left of this academic year. The children are continuing to make the most of school as every day counts. They are enjoying their playtimes, learning well in their current classrooms and preparing themselves for transition into their new year group.

Art Gallery

Thank you to parents for coming to the Art Gallery this week. It was great to see so many children appreciate the artwork during the day, and sharing this with families after school. We are really proud of the children's artwork.



Thank you also to Sue Bruton (grandparent of Amelia in Year 5), for sharing her art. Thank you also to Oliver Claessens' mum, Charlotte, for allowing us to showcase her art as well. We would like to make this a feature of our annual gallery, so parents please do get creative and let us show off your talents!



Orienteering at school

Thanks to North Somerset Schools and PE Association (NSSPEA) for putting on a Key Stage 2 Orienteering challenge this past week. The children were geographers and sportspersons as they worked collaboratively and competitively.



Sports Day

Thank you to parents for joining us on Sports Day this year. We enjoy holding these events to get families together to watch the range of athletism. We have a survey in which we are proposing a change to holding sports days in future with an alternative idea. Your views are welcome in this survey https://forms.office.com/e/DDtLnYyCuT





MyChildAtSchool

In September we are going to be launching a new app called MyChildAtSchool which shares with parents key information about their children's time in school. Parents will be able view their child's attendance, see announcements and view and update contact information. Parents will be invited to sign up in September.



Rainbow Day

We are really proud of the school's inclusive culture. We celebrate our diversity in and beyond the protected characteristics.



To know more please read our EDI statement <u>https://haywoodvillageacademy.clf.uk/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/CLF-Equality-Diversity-and-Inclusion-</u> <u>Statement-1.pdf</u>

Reading Volunteers Wanted!

We are looking for adults to support children with reading in school. We are appealing to anyone within our school community who has capacity within their busy lives to donate some time to support



children with their reading in school. If you are available on any day, we would really appreciate you joining us on a regular basis to listen to children read one to one. Please respond to the letter that was sent to parents on 8th July or check in with Miss Crisp if you have any further questions.

Summer Reading Challenge: Marvellous Makers



North Somerset Library are launching their newest reading challenge "Marvellous Makers" that will be available from Saturday

6th July and last the duration of the upcoming school holidays. We encourage you to engage in this challenge to support, inspire and motivate your child's interest in reading whilst we are not in school. We know that 77% more children read during the holidays when taking part in this challenge. A certificate and medal from the local library will be presented to the children when we return in September if they have completed this challenge. Please speak with Miss Crisp if you have any further questions.

Parent WhatsApp Group Chats

Safeguarding our children is everyone's responsibility. We value your contribution to ensuring that our community is safe, through sharing information with school and seeking support for your family as it is required. While we



recognise the benefit of parent WhatsApp groups for sharing school-based information about events, routines and processes; we are alarmed to learn that some of our parents may be part of a specific WhatsApp group, where a specific child in our school is being discussed in an unkind and judgemental manner. We would like to request that any WhatsApp groups of this nature be closed as a matter of urgency. If you would like to report concerns regarding parent communication via WhatsApp, please contact Mrs Saunter (Designated Safeguarding Lead), Mr Ellis (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead) and/or Mr Jones (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead).

Cookery Club

Cookery club have been busy making a variety of sweet & savoury items this term. As bakers they all had the opportunity to crack eggs, weigh ingredients & learn the folding in method to gently add ingredients to complete their delicious cupcakes.



School Uniform 24/25

We know families we be considering buying uniform between now and September. Please refer to the school uniform policy to be clear on what it is. Three key areas we would like all families to be extra attentive to:

- Grey and <u>not black</u> trousers, shorts or skirts.
- Longer skirt length particularly KS2. It should be at minimum just above the knees.
- Black shoes/trainers no bright logos/different colours.

https://haywoodvillageacademy.clf.uk/wpcontent/uploads/School-Uniform-Policy-2024.pdf

In the learning...

The school website captures some of the learning from the past few weeks:



Pre-school have been creating their own maps alongside each other and together.



As artists, Reception children explored printing through their Under the Sea theme of enquiry.



Year 1 musicians, led by Mrs Clough from South West of England Music Alliance (WEMA), composing and performing before families.



Led by Gemini Gymnastics, Year 2 gymnasts were developing their balance and teamwork skills.



Year 3 Hawthorn were delighted to receive Captain Ted – the attendance mascot – as they had the highest attendance in school (nearly 100% for the week!)





Lightbulb moments in Year 4 as they continue to experiment with electricity! They have also been making prototypes of lamps based on their designs. When making these they used knowledge from their learning on structures to make their lamps stand. They also used their scientific knowledge of circuits to know what components they need to fit into their lamps.



Year 5 learning and competing in cricket in their PE lessons.





Year 6 have enjoyed their final weeks of HVA Forest School. Year 6 were all proud of Kaiya as she led the whole-school assembly on Teams sharing her views on how we can help the environment.

Summer Activities

A number of clubs and organisations have sent us information about activities taking place in the local area over summer. We will send these flyers out with this Newsletter.

School Calendar

Check our events pages events for our school calendar:

(https://haywoodvillageacademy.clf.uk/events/)

July 2024

- Tuesday 16th Year 5 trip to Caerleon
- Wednesday 17th Reception Trip to Bristol Aquarium
- Wednesday 17th Year 6 End of Year Performance, 1:45pm – 2:45pm
- Thursday 18th Year 6 End of Year Performance, 7pm – 8pm
- Tuesday 23rd Year 6 leavers assembly, 9am 9:45am
- Tuesday 23rd Last day of term children finish at 2pm.

<u>September</u>

• Wednesday 4th Sep – First day of Autumn term.

Golden Mentions



The following pupils went into the Gold Book this week: Leo Chappell for his reflectiveness about who he is as a learner and how he used his writing skills to empower and showcase this.

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