

Radio shows weekly

The HVA Radio DJ Crew are back and have already recorded two shows. You can listen via a soundcloud app searching for the school name, or through the school website:

<https://haywoodvillageacademy.clf.uk/curriculum/school-radio-2/>

Assembly themes this term:

Week 1: Returning to school/House Team names

Week 2: Great Learners

Week 3: Responsibilities & Safety (this week)

Week 4: Charity – Food (next week)

Week 5: Black History & Poetry

Week 6: Black History

Week 7: Self-Agency, Democracy

Week 8: Energy Week

Returning to school feedback

Thank you for those who completed the return to school surveys – both before the term started and last week. Knowing more about your child is very helpful for our teaching team. Please remember, we do not have to wait for surveys – you can contact the staff team directly, via the office, by email or in person.

Foodbank – you can help

We are re-launching our foodbank next week.

If you can help, we would welcome every child to bring in one item from any of the following:

- Tinned food
- Cereals
- Hygiene items, e.g. soap, toothpaste
- Dried food, e.g. rice, pasta



If you need help from the Foodbank?

If your family is going through a tough time due to job loss, illness, rising costs, or benefit delays — Weston-Super-Mare Foodbank is there to help. It

provides emergency food and essentials to local families in crisis.

How it works:

You'll need a foodbank voucher, which can be provided by a local agency such as Citizens Advice, your child's school, a health visitor, or housing support services. Once you have a voucher, you can visit one of the foodbank centres to collect a 3-day emergency food parcel, as well as other essential non-food items like toiletries and baby supplies. Friendly volunteers are always there to listen, support, and connect you with further help if needed.

What's available:

Tinned and dried food essentials

Toiletries, nappies, and baby food (when available)

Access to support like budgeting, energy advice, and more

Need help?

Step 1: Talk to your child's school, GP, Citizens Advice, or another local support agency to get a referral.

Step 2: Bring your voucher to the foodbank during its open hours.

Step 3: Receive your food parcel and get any extra support you may need.

Please feel free to call 01934 312720 and ask for Miss Eastland or Mrs Saunter with any questions.

<https://westonsupermare.foodbank.org.uk/>

Swimming this year

So far the swimming lessons at Brean Splash have been great and we are pleased that we have moved our offer to the swimming teachers there.

You may have heard that Brean Splash will be undergoing some renovation work this year. This means that there will be a closure from December to March. We have reorganised our plan for swimming this year with Brean Splash. We have taken the decision that Year 4 will not go swimming this year.



Mental Health support for parents

We are excited to share that North Somerset Council are entering a new agreement for 2 years to provide the Qwell platform in North Somerset starting on the 15th September 2025.

Qwell is a digital mental health platform of support for parents and carers, as a way of providing low cost, easily accessible and timely support.

Reminders – Self-check list

- Names in everything – please can you check all your coats, jumpers, bottles, lunchboxes.
- PE kits are only for PE days, not club days. Children can bring PE kit to change into at the end of the day if they are doing a club e.g. netball, on a specific day.

In the Learning: Here are some images from this week reflecting the experiences and opportunities that have supported children's learning this past week.



Reception children are already learning their sounds and writing the letters that match the sounds!



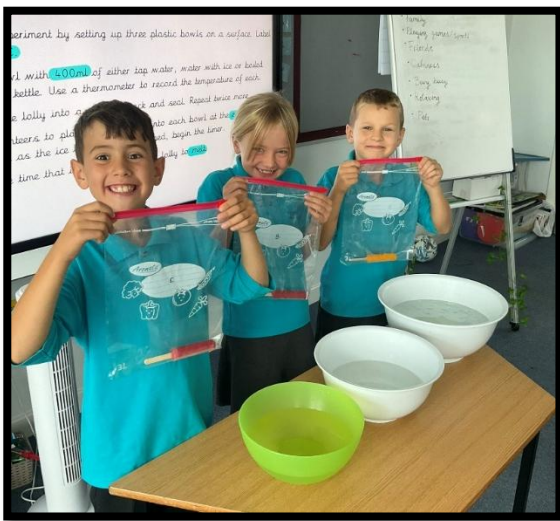
Year 1 mathematicians have been sorting shapes and numbers – great reasoning.



In PHSE this week, Year 2 were discussing and role-playing how we make friends.



Year 3 have started their gymnastics sessions with Spitz Gymnastics – a fantastic opportunity to get the expertise of these coaches into our school.



Year 4 scientists conducted an experiment to test which temperature of water would melt an ice lolly the quickest. We had ice water, room temperature water and hot water. We had fun making it a fair test and finding out our answers!

Golden Mentions

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We have a new Gold Book for this year. If children are recognised for an achievement that stands out, they may be nominated by a Class teacher to go into the Gold Book.

Those who go in the Gold Book will also be mentioned in the newsletter here.

Calling out to our Committed Community. Our children need you to volunteer!



Would you like to support young children to lift their mood, build their resilience and know that they are safe and well-supported?

Can you join our school team as a part-time volunteer and be a ROC mentor?

Redeeming Our Communities (ROC) mentors are everyday people, who are trained by ROC staff to use their life experience and skills to be a 'friend with purpose'. Mentors come alongside children in our school, helping them to make positive life choices, improve their resilience as well as self-esteem and personal wellbeing.

If you are interested in this, please email ROC directly on info@roc.uk to register your interest.

Further information can also be found online: roc.uk.com/roc-mentors/

Online training sessions will take place on Wednesdays 4th, 11th and 18th June (7 - 9.30pm).



Year 5 have had, like many year groups, their first few library sessions of the year – exploring new books both fiction and non-fiction. We are well stocked in our library and children get to take them home.



Year 6 have picked up their clarinets again, recalling their skills learnt in Year 4. Thank you to our great partnership with West of England Music Association (WEMA), and the teacher Mrs Clough!

School Calendar

Please view the school calendar for all school events for the year. The school calendar will be updated for 2025-2026 over the summer holiday. <https://haywoodvillageacademy.clf.uk/events/>

SENCO Drop-in sessions

Our SENCO, Mrs Lovely, will be holding drop-in sessions for parents. No booking needed.

10th October – 8:30am – 9:30am

11th November – 2:30pm – 3:30pm

5th December – 8:30am – 9:30am

September 2025

- Monday 22nd – Phonics meeting for Reception parents, 2:45pm – 3:15pm
- Tuesday 23rd – School photographs

- Monday 29th – meeting for current Year 5 parents about the Y6 residential in Oct 2026, 3.30pm.

October 2025

- Wednesday 1st - Reception live phonics lesson on Teams, 9:00am – 9:35am
- Monday 13th – Parents Evening, 3:30pm – 7pm
- Tuesday 14th – Reception 2026 Open Morning, 9:15am – 10:30am
- Wednesday 15th Parents Evening, 3:30pm – 7pm
- Thursday 16th Year 2 visit SS Great Britain
- Sunday 19th – Wednesday 22nd – Year 6 residential to Barton Hill
- Monday 20th – Reception 2026 Open Evening, 7pm – 8pm
- Tuesday 21st – Year 5 Pupil Showcase, 2:45pm – 3:15pm
- Wednesday 22nd - Last day of term
- Thursday 23rd – Friday 24th - INSET days, no children in school.

November 2025

- Monday 3rd – start of term 2

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