

It has clearly been a hot week, and this can bring challenges and joy for children in schools. There is a positive culture amongst the children, supported by adults, to help themselves to manage their sun safety - applying sunscreen before school, wearing hats, drinking water regularly and making safe choices to take shade when needed.

Assembly themes this term:

Week 1: Great Learners – Oracy, British & Local History
Week 2: Awareness of world events & Eco schools
Week 3: HVA 3 Charities Appeal – Weston Hospice Care (this week)
Week 4: Diversity week / No outsiders (next week)
Week 5: Transition Week
Week 6: Arts & Sports Appreciation
Week 7: Child Safety
Week 8: Reading Challenge & Leavers' Service

Uniform – now and ahead of next year

At this point in the year, we understand that Year 6 families will not be purchasing new items of uniform, and as result we accept the variations for trousers/skirts being black and not grey as they are likely to wear these at secondary school. For all other items and year groups, we continue to expect the school uniform to be worn. We believe there are plenty of items to choose from to be able to remain cool.

The school uniform policy is listed on the website.

<https://haywoodvillageacademy.clf.uk/wp-content/uploads/School-Uniform-Policy-September-2024.pdf> This includes summer dresses, grey trousers, grey skirts, grey shorts or grey shorts and not black. Leggings and sports shorts on non-PE days are not appropriate. In addition, please note, unless informed otherwise, PE kit is only to be worn on PE days.

New Payment System

My Child at School (MCAS) will be replacing Scopay later this term. MCAS will be used to book and pay for Parachutes after-school club, breakfast club, school dinners and school trips. *You will be receiving communications about the new payment system next week.*

Recent radio show from a new Radio crew

Download the Soundcloud app, or listen via the website

<https://haywoodvillageacademy.clf.uk/curriculum/school-radio-2/> for the regular radio shows. The Radio Crew are doing a great job and independently produce these shows, sharing news from each week. Get your latest weather report on here.

Staff change in kitchen

Our kitchen manager, Laura Webb, is leaving us this week after 2 very successful years. Laura and her team have delivered freshly cooked, delicious meals to all of our children and ensure that they know the dietary needs of them all. We wish Laura all the best and thank her for her hard work. Our CLF trust-wide contract is with Aspens and as a result, Aspens will ensure the service continues to meet the daily needs of the children.

Senco drop-in session

Mrs Lovely, SENDCo, will be holding a parent drop-in session on Friday 27th June, between 2pm and 3.30pm. No need to book, just turn up if you would like to discuss any learning, mental health or medical concerns you may have about your child.

Weston Hospice Care Wetlands Walk – 27th June

Next Friday 27th June, we will undertake a whole-school local walk to our wetlands in Haywood Village. This is part of the HVA 3 Charities Appeal, whereby we will raise the profile of the Weston Hospice Care charity. Thank you to the parents who have volunteered their time ahead of the walk. Please contribute any change (suggested £1) for this fundraising and community walk that will take place between 9:15am – 10:30 am.

Free bus travel this summer - Be a geographer

Children under the age of 16 are to be offered free bus travel across the summer. It is expected to benefit up to 150,000 children living in Bristol, South Gloucestershire, North Somerset, and Bath and North East Somerset.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cy4k54pzzkxo>

Summer Holiday clubs and childcare

Children and young people who receive benefits-related free school meals are entitled to free HAF activity days. Each session is a minimum of four hours. A meal is provided without any further charge to parents. Please view the wide-ranging activity programme here:

<https://eequ.org/northsomersethaf>



Ofsted Report update

If you missed the news last week that your child/children attend a school judged as Outstanding in all areas, you can read the online published report on the Ofsted website:

<https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/21/140216>

More recognition – Centre of Excellence

Following a lengthy review process, a leading education body 'Voice 21' recognised the school as a Centre of Excellence for Oracy. The award will mean that our school will support and lead other schools in showcasing how we support all children in the development and practice of speaking and listening skills to effectively communicate ideas, understand others, and engage in meaningful discussions.



Food Bank

We are still welcoming donations from those that can – one item added helps to create a shopping bag.

Items of preference:

- rice, pasta, cereals
- jars of sauces
- toiletries: soaps, shampoo, deodorants, toothbrushes, toothpastes, nappies.



In the Learning:

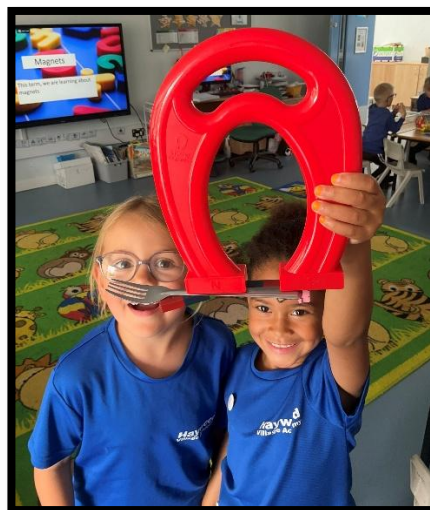
Here are some images from this week reflecting the experiences and opportunities that have supported children's learning this past week.



Pre-school Apple class used their new explorers kit bought for them by the PTFA, to take a closer look at our natural environment.



Reception had an incredible day at Bristol Aquarium. They went on a guided tour and saw some incredible sea animals.



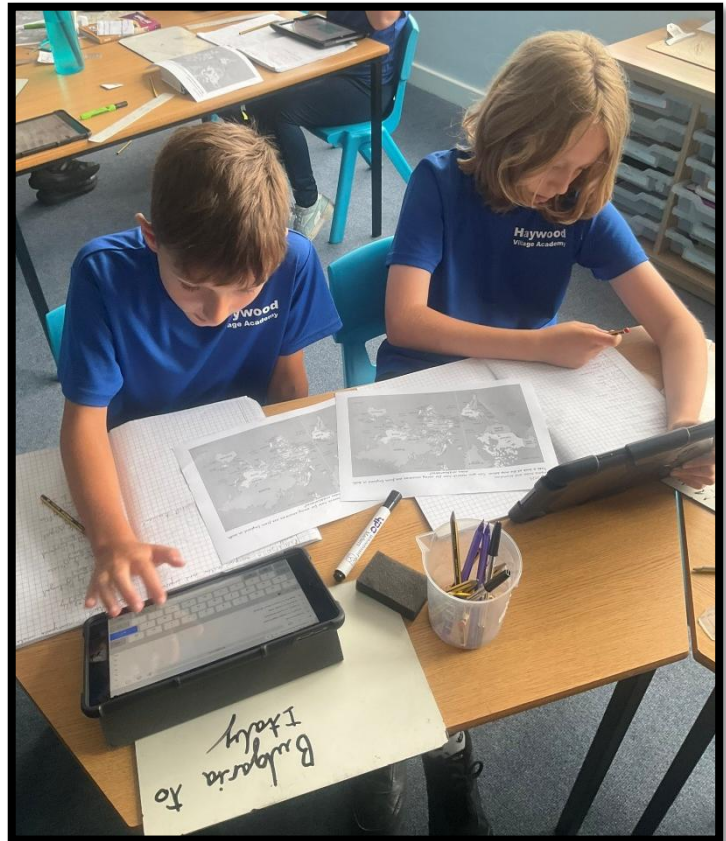
This term, as scientists, Year 1 are exploring magnetic materials.



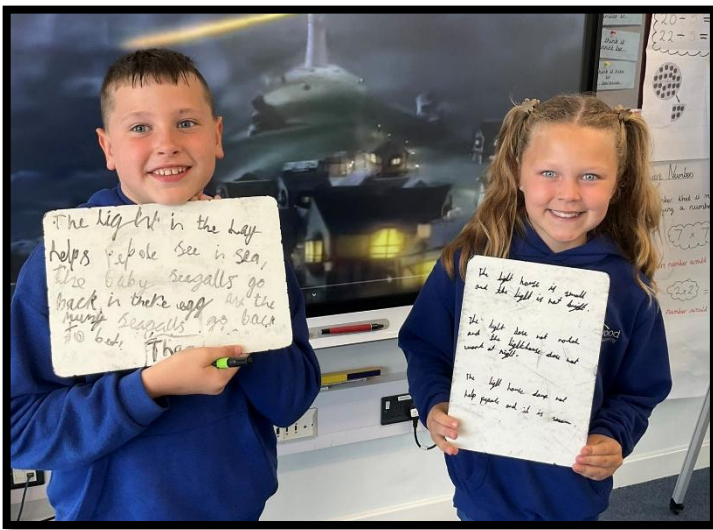
Year 2 musicians enjoyed their first of 5 sessions exploring steel pan drumming. Thank you to the West of England Music Association.



Year 3 writers have been immersing themselves in 'Kassim and the Greedy Dragon'! Ask them to perform their story maps!



As mathematicians, Year 5 have been converting miles to kilometres. They then explored the world, converting distances between the two units!



Year 4 continued their interest in poetry this week, and created lighthouse-themed poetry, inspired from a short animation.



Year 6 have been enjoying Forest School. Their independence under Rachel and the Wildwood team's supervision, is impressive. They play and cook well – waffles were on the menu this week!



Golden Mentions

Well done to Theo (Year 4) for tremendous progress in his writing this year. Well done to Tien (Year 1) for impressive weaving in art!

Congratulations to Nicholas (Reception) for his fabulous science writing. Lucas (Year 1) deserves considerable praise for his progress in learning to read.

School Calendar

Please view the school calendar for all school events for the year.

<https://haywoodvillageacademy.clf.uk/events/>

June 2025

- Friday 27th - Weston Hospice Care Wetlands Walk, 9:15am – 10:30am
- Friday 27th – SENCO drop-in sessions with Mrs Lovely, 2:00pm – 3.30pm
- Friday 27th – Friends of HVA school disco, 3.30pm – 5.30pm

July 2025

- Tuesday 1st – Moving Up transition afternoon, 1:15pm – 3pm
- Wednesday 2nd – HVA Coffee morning with Mrs Saunter, 9am – 11am
- Wednesday 2nd – Moving Up transition afternoon, 1:15pm – 3pm
- Thursday 3rd – Welcome Meeting for parents of Sep 2025 Pre-school starters, 5:00pm - 6:00pm
- Friday 4th – INSET day – school closed to children
- Monday 7th – INSET day – school closed to children
- Tuesday 8th – Haywood Art Gallery, 3:30pm – 5:30pm
- Wednesday 9th – Year 6 trip to London
- Friday 11th – Sports Day
- Monday 14th – Picnic lunch for Reception 2025 parents, 11am – 12pm
- Tuesday 15th – Year 6 End of Year Show, 1:45pm – 2:45pm
- Wednesday 16th – Year 5 trip to Caerleon
- Thursday 17th – Reception Pupil Showcase, 2:45pm – 3:15pm
- Thursday 17th – Year 6 End of Year Show, 7:00pm – 8:00pm
- Tuesday 22nd – Year 6 Leavers Assembly, 9:00am – 10am
- Tuesday 22nd – Last day of term

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