

We are a few weeks into this new school year and we appreciate the feedback and engagement from parents for all sorts of communications we are providing. We've had most of the Meet the Teacher meetings, there have been trip letters and club notices. If parents they have missed anything, please do email the school office or communicate with your child's class teacher.

School jobs – responsibilities

Nearly every child in school will now have specific jobs to do to support their class and the school. You can ask the children what jobs they do to help our school.



Reminder: Coats

We are seemingly going into a wet weekend and week, please do ensure your child comes to school with a raincoat. We will send children out for fresh air play.

Clubs

After school clubs start next week. If children did not get into the club they wanted or there was not an opportunity that particularly appealed to them, different clubs will run later in the year for Term 3 & 4, as well the summer terms.

Assembly themes for Term 1

This term we will explore our school values, great learner behaviours, as well particular current local or world events or broader curriculum themes.

- Week 3: Responsibilities and safety (this week)
- Week 4: Charity – Food (next week)
- Week 5: Race, diversity & National Poetry Day
- Week 6: Mental Health
- Week 7: Energy week, including recycling

Website – curriculum

If you would like to be familiar with the school curriculum and specific year group subject disciplines, you can go to our website to see the curriculum for each subject that will be taught for your child.
<https://haywoodvillageacademy.clf.uk/curriculum/>

Foodbank

Next week, we are relaunching our Foodbank in school. Members of our community and in the local Weston area benefit from this collection. We would welcome 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.



Friends of HVA AGM

We have a new Chair for the Friends of HVA, Gemma Brown. Gemma is a parent in Year 1 and was very involved in supporting successful events last year. She takes over from Dawn Wood, who will remain an active member of the group. Please look out for a Newsletter from Friends of HVA soon.



Change of dates for Fireworks & Christmas Fayre

Fireworks night at HVA will be Wednesday 6th November. Christmas Fayre is Friday 6th December.

Community car park – Drop off zone planned

You may see, over the coming weeks, a change to the community car park which will provide a few spaces to 'drive slow, drop off and go'. When this is marked, we will notify parents and supervise to ensure this works.

We are a nut-free school

A very positive response to the nut-free reconfirmation. Packed lunches can contain a sweet treat but even hazelnut sweets cannot be brought in.



In the learning...

You can look on the curriculum pages of the school website to see what the children have been learning this week.



As artists in Reception, they have been drawing their family with oil pastels.



Year 3 computer scientists have been programming using code.



Year 1 artists learning new sketching techniques.



Year 4 had a visit from an historian, who helped to explore and re-enact Anglo-Saxon life.



Year 2 linguists have been learning new words in French this week.



Year 5 writers using the iPads to support their fun in learning as they were learning how to write complex sentences.

Golden Mentions

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Well done to Year 2's Eva, Theo, Cooper Y and Anthony for their Gold Book entries for excellent writing last week. Milo in Year 4 went into the Gold Book for his achievement with mathematics.

School Calendar

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

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

September 2024

- Monday 23rd – Reception Phonics meeting, 2:45pm – 3:15pm
- Tuesday 24th – Individual school photos
- Friday 27th - Cricket enrichment for KS2

October 2024

- Tuesday 1st – Year 6 trip to Lifeskills, Bristol
- Wednesday 2nd – Coffee morning with Mrs Saunter, 9am – 11am
- Tuesday 8th – Reception 2025 Parents Open Morning, 9:30am – 11:30am
- Tuesday 8th – Macmillan coffee morning, 10am – 11:30am
- Tuesday 8th – Year 6 cake sale, 3pm – 3:30pm
- Thursday 10th – Year 3 trip to Cheddar Gorge
- Thursday 10th – SENCO Drop-in session, 8:30am – 10am
- Monday 14th October – Author Tom Allen to visit KS1 and KS2
- Tuesday 15th – Reception 2025 Parents Open Evening, 7pm – 8pm
- Wednesday 16th – flu immunisations for Reception to Year 6 children
- Thursday 17th – Year 2 visit to SS Great Britain
- Sunday 20th – Wednesday 23rd – Year 6 Residential trip to Beam House
- Tuesday 22nd – Year 5 pupil showcase, 2:45pm – 3:15pm
- Wednesday 23rd – last day of term for children
- Thursday 24th and Friday 25th – INSET Day – school closed to children

November 2024

- Monday 4th - children return to school
- Wednesday 6th - HVA Fireworks Night
- Thursday 7th - Reception 2025 Parents Open Morning, 9:30am – 11:30am
- Monday 11th – Parents Evening, 3:30pm – 7pm
- Wednesday 13th – Parents Evening, 3:30pm – 7pm



Year 6 gymnasts worked hard developing their skills with our teachers and the coaches from Gemini Gymnastics.

Keeping bringing in the home-learning



We enjoy decorating the school and show off home learning that the children have created. During this week's French week, Freddie created a French menu to share.

Well-done for completing the North Somerset Reading Challenge!

Well done Emily, Jaxon, Harrison, Hattie, Owen, Jack, Nelesh, Rori, Kevin and Toby who were some of the children who completed the North Somerset Reading Challenge.

