

Thank you

In what has been one of the most successful years in the school's history, we would like to thank you parents for your support. In this past couple of terms, the school staffing team has been buoyed by a considerable number of accolades, which include the success of statutory pupil outcomes, organisational awards, recognition from trust colleagues, as well as Ofsted.

The most important appreciation for the hard work and dedication our staff receive is from the children themselves. Whilst our team do not await thanks from children, as they know their appreciation comes in many forms, it is lovely when they have shared this week.

We wish you a safe and enjoyable summer!

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
- Week 4: Diversity week / No outsiders
- Week 5: Transition Week
- Week 6: Arts & Sports Appreciation
- Week 7: Child Safety
- Week 8: Reading Challenge & Leavers' Service (this week)

HVA 3 Charities Appeal – Grand Appeal update

Earlier this year, we raised money as part of our 'three charities appeal' for the Wallace and Gromit Grand Appeal, which supports poorly children at Bristol Children's Hospital. We ran a competition to design our very own Norbot, which has now been delivered and has been decorated by our competition winners. Norbot will be visiting the Grand Appeal shop (Cribbs Causeway) in September to be displayed to the general public, before returning to us to keep!



Sports Day

Thank you to all attending parents/carers for supporting us at our Sports Day last Friday. We hope you liked the new format of House Teams for the events!

Thank you also to the PTFA for providing ice lollies for all children after the event.

Congratulations to Campbell House, who were our winning team on the day.



British Council Award



In the past couple of weeks, HVA received the Foundation International School Award Certificate

from the British Council. This recognises that by following the curriculum we do, we are aiming to help children to develop their awareness of themselves and their place in the world.

Year 6 Production

Thank you to the Year 6 for a fun-filled Year 6 production. It was a delight to see so many children on stage performing in *Prexit (A primary school exit)*, with confidence. Great support from parents.

Christmas Pantomime

We have booked a whole-school pantomime trip to the Weston Playhouse and we look forward to taking children from Reception to Year 6. The tickets will cost £17.60 which will include the ticket itself, the transport and an ice-cream for the children. Letters will be sent in the first week of term. Pupils who are on the pupil premium list will be able to access this trip for £8.80 each.



Year 1 joined an assembly presented by Avon & Somerset Fire Service on how to stay safe this summer.

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 harvested the peas and carrots that they grew this term. The pea plant is really healthy and we are hoping there will be some peas for the children to discover next term.



Year 2 mathematicians have learnt to tell the time to 5 minutes past or to the hour.



Reception enjoyed their Forest School sessions – they made pancakes.



In Year 3 it was Tudor Day! They started by recreating portraits of Henry VIII. They created Tudor meals as they made their own Tudor pottage and gingered bread.



Year 4 scientists had fun making Newton Wheels and learning about the colour spectrum. You can watch this in action

<https://x.com/HvaMulberry/status/1944754469360611514/video/1>

Golden Mentions

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Well done Emily and Maya (Year 4) for their design work to create their lighthouse-themed lamp prototypes. A huge well done to Leo in Year 6 for winning the 'learning Champion' at this year's North Somerset Youth Award – he returned from a significant period of time out of school and has been highly motivated to succeed!



Parenting: How to get the best out of family life

Parenting can be one of the most joyful yet challenging jobs that we embark on. At Haywood Village Academy, we support parents using The Nurturing Programme (formerly Family Links). We have run two successful groups over two academic years and consistently receive positive feedback from parents who have taken part.

One parent stated:

"I understand my children's behaviour better. We are calmer. We praise each other more. We say thank you more. I have truly enjoyed these 10 weeks. I feel I have more friends for life. The atmosphere is always supportive/friendly. Everyone has been kind. It is so nice knowing that you are not alone. Parenting can be hard and it's a relief to know others feel the same."

Please visit the website to find out more about The Nurturing Programme from the Centre for Emotional Health themselves

<https://tinyurl.com/58eb93zt>

Mrs Saunter and Mrs Innes welcome you to express your interest by emailing Mrs Saunter directly to find out more – sarah.saunter@clf.uk



Year 5 historians learnt Roman drills, explored artefacts and explored real-life ruins. They had a great day at Caerleon!




Year 6 learnt how to catch a bus! They had a trip on the new electric buses and even visited the depot to see what happens to our buses when they park up for the night.

ChatHealth

Young people, aged 11-19, can get support from Sirona care & health's School Nurses through the summer holidays. The ChatHealth text messaging support service is open from 9am-5pm during weekdays, except bank holidays. School Nurses can offer support on a range of topics including emotional support and relationships, sexual health, sleep, smoking/vaping and healthy eating and exercise. Text 07312 263093 to get confidential support from a health professional.

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.com to register your interest.

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

Online training sessions will take place on

massive difference to children.

Safeguarding Support over the Summer

We would like to let **all** families know that even though we are not physically in the school building, our commitment to safeguarding you, every child and every family, remains our priority.

As such, if you need to share information with our safeguarding team over the holidays please email safeguarding@HVA.clf.uk. This email inbox will be checked and a member of the team will be in touch with you at their earliest opportunity.

A reminder of the staff who sit on our safeguarding team:

- Sarah Saunter (Designated safeguarding lead)
- Craig Jones (Deputy designated safeguarding lead)
- Truon Ellis (Deputy designated safeguarding lead)

However, if your concern is **urgent** and you are in need of **immediate attention**, please contact the following agencies:

- Emergency Services: 999
- Neighbourhood Policing Team: PSCO 9278
Mike Benfield's email address: michael.benfield@avonandsomerset.police.uk
- North Somerset Care Connect: 01275 888801
- North Somerset Emergency Duty Team (out of hours): 01454 615165
- Children's Front Door: childrens.frontdoor@n-somerset.gov.uk
- Avon and Somerset Police Lighthouse Safeguarding Unit: 01278 649228
- Weston Foodbank: 01934 708906

North Somerset Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) – An invitation from them to you:

Dear Parents and Carers

We are delighted to bring you the North Somerset HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) programme for the summer holidays of 2025. These days are free to all children and young people who receive benefits-related free school meals. There are some new providers, as well as most of the old favourites. We hope that you will find plenty of opportunities for your child or young person to enjoy and take part in.

Our providers have been busy preparing their listings for the North Somerset offer and these have now gone **LIVE** on our booking platform.

[Please find out more about North Somerset HAF here.](#)

Alternatively, please go [straight to our booking platform here to book your child's places.](#)

Should you require any assistance then please email HAF@n-somerset.gov.uk

Kind regards

The HAF Team

[Holiday, activities and food \(HAF\) programme | North Somerset Council \(n-somerset.gov.uk\)](#)

North Somerset ParkPlay

ParkPlay encourages families to play free games and activities, every week. ParkPlay is a safe, welcoming, inclusive way to connect and have fun. All generations are welcome. Join in every Saturday.

- [Castle Batch ParkPlay](#), 9.30-11am
- [Portishead ParkPlay](#) at Merlin Park, 10-11.30am

No need to book, just register here:

<https://park-play.com/>

Kids eat free this summer (Various locations)

Here is a list of venues offering free or reduced meals for children

Source: moneysavingcentral.co.uk:

- Asda – kids eat for £1 all day everyday (no adult spend required)
- Ask Italian – Kids under 10 eat for £1 during school holidays
- Beefeater – kids eat FREE with newsletter voucher this summer
- Bella Italia – children eat for £1 with any adult main
- Bills – Kids eat free weekdays (21st July – 29th September)
- Brewers Fayre – kids eat FREE with newsletter voucher this summer
- Brewdog – two children eat free with one adult meal (19th July – 31st August)
- Burger King – Kids eat free via the app (28th July – 31st August)
- Chiquito – Kids eat FREE daily (until 31st August)
- Dobbies Garden Centres – for every adult breakfast or lunch purchase, child eats free
- Frankie and Bennie's – children eat for free (14th July – 31st August)
- Future Inns – Under 5s eat free with any adult meal
- Gordon Ramsey Restaurants – Kids under 10 eat free all day everyday
- Harvester – Children eat for £1 via the app (Mon – Fri)
- Hungry Horse – Kids eat for £1 (Mondays only)
- Ikea – Kids Meal from 95p, daily from 11am
- Las Iguanas – kids under 12 eat free with 'My Las Iguanas' via the app
- Marco Pierre White – children under 12 eat FREE with an adult spend
- Morrisons – children eat free with a £5 spend, everyday
- Pausa Cafe at Dunelm – kids eat free with every £4 spend (after 3pm)
- Premier Inn and Travelodge – buy one adult breakfast and two children eat breakfast for free
- Preto – kids up to age 10 eat free with a paying adult
- Purezza – children under 10 get a free pizza with every adult meal purchased
- SA Brains – kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays
- Sizzling Pubs – kids mains £1 with every adult meal (Monday – Friday 3-7pm)
- Table Table – two children eat breakfast for free with a paying adult
- Tesco Cafe – one free kids meal with every 60p spend (until 31st August)
- TGI Fridays – children eat free with an adult meal (via the app)
- The Real Greek – Kids under 12 eat free for every £10 spent by an adult (Sundays)
- Toby Carvery – Kids eat for £1 all day (weekdays until 29th August)

- Whitbread Inn – two children eat free with every adult breakfast
- Yo Sushi – kids eat free all day in school holidays (Monday – Friday)
- Zizzi – kids eat free this summer holidays (excluding Saturdays)

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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/>

September 2025

- Monday 1st – INSET Day – school closed to pupils
- Tuesday 2nd – INSET Day – school closed to pupils
- Wednesday 3rd – first day of term
- Wednesday 3rd – Year 1 Meet the Teacher meeting, 2:45pm – 3:15pm
- Thursday 4th – Year 2 Meet the Teacher meeting, 2:45pm – 3:15pm
- Friday 5th – Year 3 Meet the Teacher meeting, 2:45pm – 3:15pm
- Monday 8th – Year 4 Meet the Teacher meeting, 2:45pm – 3:15pm
- Tuesday 9th – Year 5 Meet the Teacher meeting, 2:45pm – 3:15pm
- Wednesday 10th – Year 6 Meet the Teacher meeting, 2:45pm – 3:15pm
- Monday 15th – Reception Phonics Parent Meeting, 2:45pm – 3:15pm
- Tuesday 23rd – school photographs

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