

Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

Years 1 and 2 Newsletter – Spring 2026

Belong – Thrive - Learn



Introduction

This update for Year 1 and Year 2 will help you find out what is happening this half term and next. It includes some of the lovely learning we have planned, ideas for home learning and information about after-school clubs — all in one place.

What a wonderful start we have had to the Spring term! The children have come back full of energy and have settled into their classes brilliantly. They are working hard to build happy classrooms where everyone can learn and feel safe. We are very proud of the way the children are showing our school values by being **Careful, Kind and Ready** every day.

If you have any questions or ideas, please do come and speak to me or a member of the team. We are always happy to help.

Mrs Brown, Miss Dennis, Mrs Coleman and Mrs Meech

Curriculum

During the Spring term, our learning will focus on....

	SPRING CURRICULUM FOCUS	
	Year 1	Year 2
Writing	How to wash a woolly mammoth (non-fiction)	Stuck (fiction) Traction Man is Here
Maths	Addition and subtraction	Division structures and shape
Science	Materials	Materials Science week
PSHE	Dreams and Goals Healthy Me	
Geography	Beyond Buckland	Continents
History	The moon landing a Neil Armstrong	Devon in World War Two
Art	Line work	Mosaics
DT	Moon Rovers	
Music	Learning to Listen	Ocarinas
Computing	Data and information	Pictograms
RE	What do Christians believe God is like	Salvation (Easter)
PE	Gymnastics Handball	

Home Reading

One of our key priorities is supporting your child's reading at home. We ask that children read with an adult at least three times a week to help develop their fluency, confidence and understanding. This may be a book selected by your child's class teacher or a reading-for-pleasure book that they enjoy sharing with you. Please support your child completing a review page, once a week, about what they have read.

Home Learning

In KS1 all children have weekly spellings to practise for a spelling test. In addition to this, all year 1 and some year 2 children will sit the phonics screening test in the summer and will be receiving packs home to support their success.

Year 1 home learning packs: Please spend some time going over phonemes and reading common exception words.

Your support at home makes a real difference, and we truly appreciate the time you spend supporting the progression of their skills and knowledge.

After School Activities this term

Mondays 3:15 until 4:30pm – year 1 and 2 sports club led by Premier Education

Thursday 3:15pm until 4:15pm – year 2 and 3 construction club led by Miss Jacobs

Reminders

PE Kit Reminder

On PE days, children should wear their school jumper, a plain white T-shirt, black jogging bottoms or shorts, and trainers. For safety reasons, long hair must be tied back and all jewelry should be removed.

Healthy Snacks

Please ensure your child brings a healthy snack for break time. Crisps and chocolate are not permitted.

Many thanks for your continued support.

What we have enjoyed together so far.

Year 1

We are so proud of the wonderful learning journey our Year 1 children have taken this year. They have shown great initiative in being careful, kind, and ready for school each day, and they have developed a strong sense of belonging and community within our classroom.

It has been a joy to see their confidence grow, especially in their writing and to watch them show real resilience when tackling challenges in maths. The children have also been eager explorers of the wider curriculum, showing curiosity and excitement as they discover new interests.

We are particularly pleased to see them beginning to recognise their responsibilities in caring for one another and for our school, as well as working to resolve problems independently.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to more learning, growth, and celebration together,

Miss Dennis.

Year 2

Year 2 have had a busy term within their learning. They have grown to embrace their independence within their writing and maths and are developing a strong sense of who they are as learners.

The class were lucky to have Cleverchefs come to bake blueberry scones with them, the children read the recipes and measured their own ingredients and created some delicious looking scones. They were then able to take them home as tasty treats.

In science the children have been learning all about germs and microbes. They conducted an experiment where they dipped their hands in water and liquid soap with some herbs in and then shook hands with each other to learn how germs spread. There were many groans to be heard, followed by a lot of hand washing!

