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The Spring Term, whilst shorter than the other terms, brings a lot to look forward to for the children. In March we have our Y6 Residential to Brixham and our Y4 Residential to Great Potheridge House. We cannot wait!

Please ensure that you look in you My Child At School (MCAS) important documents section to locate the most recent curriculum documents that I have posted this week. You will find Curriculum Newsletters, Knowledge Organisers and details about this term's Pick N'Mix.

PUPIL INFORMATION EVENINGS

The Spring Term 'Pupil Information Evening' is taking place on Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th February. By this time, we will be approaching nearly halfway through the year and it is a brilliant time to discuss how we can continue to work together support your child as they move through the remainder of the year. Please return the booking form to school as soon as possible in order to get your preferred time and day.

YEAR 3 DT VEGETABLE TARTS

Friday 16th January 2026
WALT make vegetable tarts.

We started by scoring a square of puff pastry to make a crust. Then we pricked it with a fork to stop it from going soggy when we cooked it.

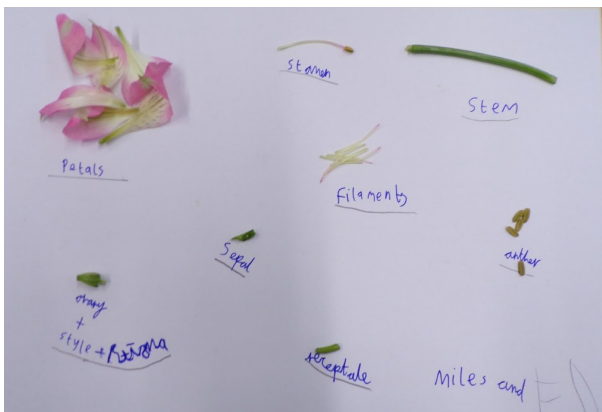


We learnt how to cut vegetables using the claw and bridge methods, making sure that we were using the knives safely. Then we chose which vegetables we wanted on our tarts.

Finally we ate them!

We spread tomato sauce over the middle of our pastry.

We then applied an egg wash to make our pastry shiny.



SNOW WHITE PANTO



The children and staff would like to say a massive thank you to the PTA for putting on a pantomime for us. It was a brilliant performance of Snow White put on by M&M productions. We are so lucky to have such an amazing 'Friends of Hayward's' PTA who provide so much for the school.

The PTA have already agreed to raise funds this year for us to watch M&M's Jack and the Beanstalk performance in 2027. We are looking forward to this already!

THE JOY OF MOVING PROGRAMME

Year 5 are enjoying being able to access Exeter City's 'Joy of Moving' programme. The children are having the opportunity to learn about maintaining and developing fitness, while also having the opportunity to engage in some active games.



YEAR 5 SCIENCE

The children in Year 5 have been learning about the parts of a plant through dissection. Using a microscope, they looked at the individual components and were able to then match them with their function. The children really enjoyed the hands on nature of the lessons.

PICK N'MIX SHARING

Thursday 12th February 2026 and Wednesday 1st April 2026

SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK



Well done to Phoebe, Athena, Reggie, Arthur, Millie and Oliver who have received Mr Kelly's Primary Sports Star certificates this week for showing excellent sporting values in their lessons. Well done everybody!

CODS



CODS are seeking children who would like to be our "Junior Choir" in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat performing in April 2026 🌈

With so many talented singers at Hayward's, I was asked to highlight a potential opportunity that any child, between the ages of 7 and 15, might enjoy.

- ★ Does your child love to sing?
- ★ Are they a member of their school or church choir?
- ★ Would they like the opportunity to perform in an amazing Technicolor musical?
- ★ Are they between 7-15 years of age?
- ★ Rehearsals Wednesday evenings 18:30-19:30

Get in touch now with Holly our Director cods1964@outlook.com or send a PM



GECKOS

Geckos have asked me to let me know that they have some spaces available at their before school and after school club.

The provision takes place in the Hayward's Owlery and the children are taken to and from the provision by members of staff from the Geckos. There are a range of exciting activities to enjoy whilst there.

If you are interested in attending, please email geckoclub@outlook.com

GECKOS WRAPAROUND PROVISION

In conjunction with Hayward's School

Cooking, Pool/Football Table, Outdoor sports
Arts & Crafts, Games and activities
Outings in the local area

Plus Lots More..!

Open 8.00-9.00am and 3.30-6.00pm
Hayward's drop off and collection including from after school clubs £5.25 per hour
Every school holiday 8am - 6pm (except for Christmas)
Open to children from all primary schools - reception to year 6 £4.25 per hour

Book early to avoid disappointment
For more information contact Leapfrogs on 01363 776474
email: geckosclub@outlook.com

AUTISM AND US

Support for parents or carers (resident within the Devon County Council area) of primary or secondary aged children (5-16) who are either on the neurodiversity assessment waiting list, or who have received a diagnosis of autism.

Attending the Autism and Us parent programme helps you develop your understanding of autism and look at practical solutions to managing and supporting your child's presenting needs, whilst also connecting with other parents and carers.

No.	Topic	Date and time
1	Autism overview	Wed 4 March: 10 am – 12 pm
2	Sensory	Wed 11 March: 10 am – 12 pm
3	Communication	Wed 18 March: 10 am – 12 pm
4	Understanding and supporting behaviour	Wed 25 March: 10am – 12 pm

If you are interested, please apply direct by email to educationlearnersupport@devon.gov.uk to secure a place on the programme, or to express your interest for forthcoming programmes.

KICK START ART COMPETITION

Kick Start Art - Spring Term Project - Mid Devon Monsters!

Kick Start Art is a free community art project encouraging children to enjoy being creative at home and develop confidence through art.

This term's challenge is Mid Devon Monsters. Children are invited to design and create their own imaginary monster, using any materials they have at home. Monsters can be funny, friendly, scary or strange - there are no rules!

The focus is on creativity, imagination and enjoyment, not perfection.

Watch the project introduction video here: <https://youtu.be/XGby8dGk8M>
or go to the Kick Start Art website for more ideas: <https://www.creditonheartproject.org/kick-start-art>

To enter:
Take a photo of the finished artwork and email it to kickstartart100@gmail.com, including the child's name, school and year group.

Closing date: Sunday 15th March 2026

Kick Start Art is supported by the Crediton Heart Project and Mid Devon District Council.

Follow Kick Start Art on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for updates and inspiration.

Kick Start Art is back this term!

It was brilliant seeing how many children took part in this competition in the autumn term and to see how well the children did. This term's competition is linked to monsters which I hope will really excite and inspire the children. Linda will be coming in to school in early February to talk to the children about the competition. Best of luck!

HEADTEACHER AWARD



Well done to Hannah, Sienna and Lily for their profile on Marie Seacole, to Rebecca for her writing, to Oliver for his writing, to Lola for some excellent maths, to Millie for passing her recent Acro exam, to Finn for his STANley 5, to Ronnie for her STANley 4, to Reggie for STANley 6 and 7, to Millie for coming 2nd place in her very first horse riding show, to Clara for passing her Acro level 1, to Freya for showing hard work and determination towards her learning, to Casey for passing her STANley 5, to Aimee for some excellent Maths work, to Clara, Orla and Hallie for their fact files about fish and amphibians, to Freddie for passing his Angelfish 1, to Maddix for some brilliant writing, to Benji, Belle and Noah for some excellent writing, to Isla for passing her acro level 2 exam, to Faye and Ivy for passing their next grading in Muay Thai, to Caleb for the effort put into his writing, to Florence for passing her STANley 6 and 7 and to Monty for the effort being put into his writing. Well done everybody!



HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY

On Tuesday 27th January 2026, communities across the UK will come together to remember the six million Jewish men, women and children murdered during the Holocaust, the millions more murdered under Nazi persecution, and to commemorate where persecution led in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur.



At Hayward's we will be recognising Holocaust Memorial day, in an age-appropriate way. For more details about Holocaust Memorial day, please click [here](#).

KEY DATES FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

Weds 28th January 2026	Year 5 and Year 6 Reading Café
Fri 6th February 2026	Year 2 Poetry Celebration Assembly
Tues 10th February 2026	Parents' Evening
Weds 11th February 2026	Hero Day
Thurs 12th February 2026	Parents' Evening
Fri 27th February 2026	World Book Day at Hayward's
2nd-6th March 2026	Grenville House Residential —Y6
Fri 27th March 2026	Year 5 Poetry Celebration Assembly
Weds 25th to Fri 27th March	Great Potheridge Residential — Y4
Thurs 2nd April	Y3 and Y4 Greek Day—Families invited to attend
Fri 22nd May 2026	Year 4 Poetry Celebration Assembly
Mon 8th to Fri 12th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening check and Year 2 Phonics Screening retakes.
Fri 3rd July 2026	Year 1 Poetry Celebration Assembly
Fri 10th July 2026	EYFS Poetry Celebration Assembly