

# Hampton Vale Primary Academy Weekly News

Newsletter No: *Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025*

Dear Parent/Carer,

Wow, what a busy week it has been at Hampton Vale Primary Academy! We have loved welcoming the sunshine this week and it truly feels like Spring has sprung! We have 2 more school weeks until the Easter holidays and lots more lined up, especially enjoying this beautiful sunshine! Let's hope it continues!

Science Week has been an egg-citing time at our school, filled with hands-on learning, discovery, and adorable new arrivals! This year, our focus has been on 'Change and Adapt', and what better way to experience this firsthand than by hatching our very own chicks?

The journey began with eggs placed carefully inside an incubator, where we monitored their temperature and eagerly awaited the first signs of life. Our young scientists kept a close eye on them, making daily observations and recording their findings in a class diary. After days of patiently waiting, we were thrilled to witness the moment when tiny cracks appeared, and the chicks started to emerge. Once hatched, the real fun began! We took turns feeding and looking after our new feathery friends, ensuring they were warm, safe, and well cared for. We also had the wonderful opportunity to gently stroke and pet them, learning about their delicate features and behaviours up close.

Throughout the week, we explored the fascinating life cycle of a chick, understanding how they grow and develop from egg to hatchling and beyond. This experience has helped us become careful observers and responsible caretakers while deepening our appreciation for the wonders of nature.

Science Week has truly been a memorable and enriching experience for everyone, sparking curiosity and excitement about the natural world. We can't wait for our next school scientific adventure!



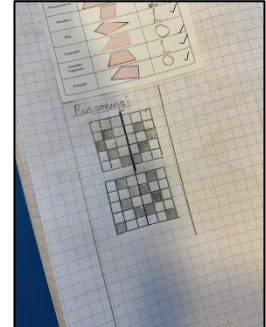
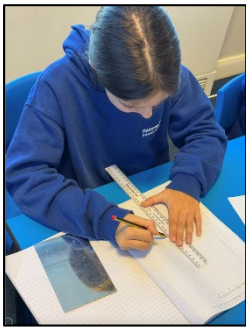
This young lady from our Serpentine room in Nursery, spent time creating a red picture by gluing various materials onto a piece of paper. After finishing, she proudly said, "I can write my name!" Her achievement was celebrated in Nursery, and I awarded her a 'Headteacher Award' for her creativity. What a wonderful moment of recognition for her hard work!



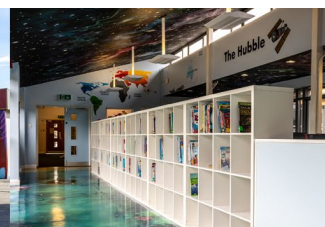
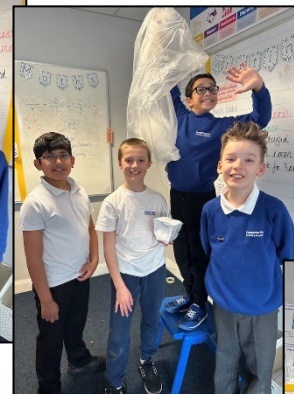
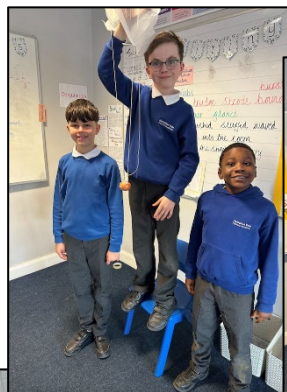
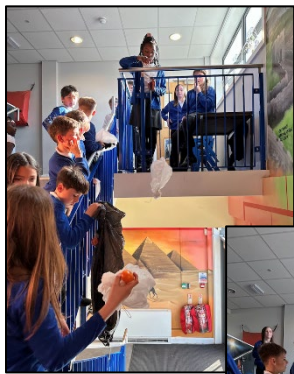
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Year 5 has been exploring lines of symmetry. The children enjoyed using mirrors and folding different shapes to apply their knowledge practically. They then challenged themselves with some mirroring reasoning questions.'



Year 5 have also spent their science lessons learning about gravity and had a lovely practical lesson designing a parachute using different types of plastic bags orange and string. They had to test and time how long each parachute managed to stay afloat.



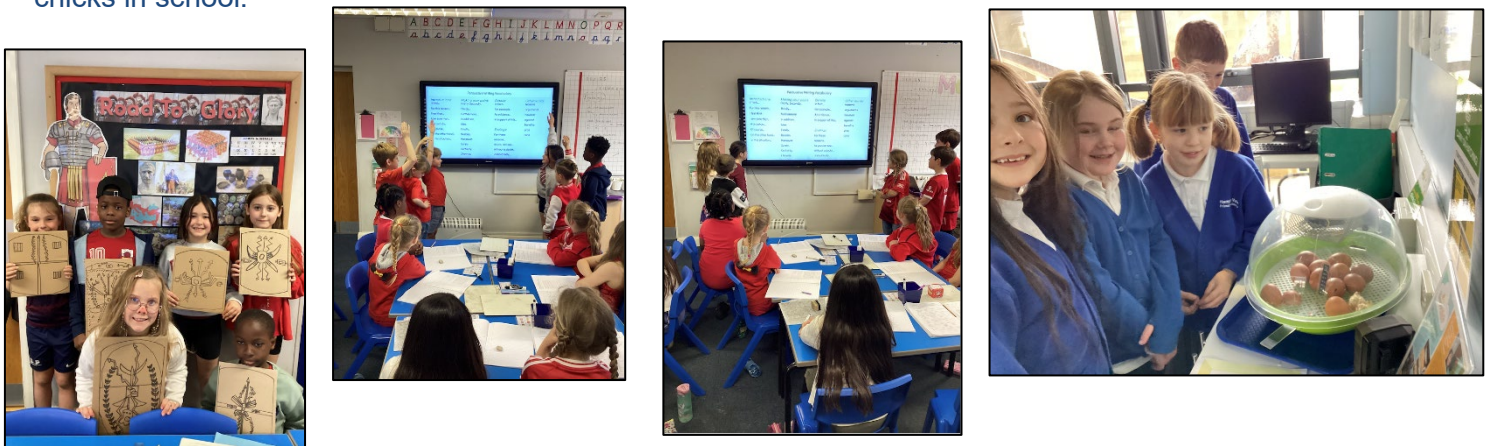
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Year 3 have had a super fun week in Art building their own colosseums. Today they finished building their class structure and a student in the class made two gladiators out of playdough. The class then gathered round the colosseum to watch them fight as they would have done in the colosseums.



Prague class have been learning all about the Romans this term and they have started to design their own shields. In Writing, they are learning to write a persuasive letter and understand the importance of oracy, so they took part in a class debate, using specific vocabulary displayed on the IWB to support their arguments: for and against- why money should be spent on the upkeep of green spaces and parks. They were so passionate during the debate which will hopefully reflect in their writing at the end of the unit! They also learned about the life cycle in science and was able to witness this firsthand with the visit of the chicks in school.



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We are so incredibly proud of these 9 boys who were invited to attend the EFL cup football festival at Wycombe Wanderers on Tuesday. They made it all the way to the semifinals and narrowly missed out with penalties. Well done to you all, you were incredible! This week we have also had a girl's football match against The Beeches School which we drew 1:1 and our boys team played yesterday against William De Yaxley and won 2- 0. A great sporting week all round!



Our playground has had a makeover! Earlier this week we had lots of games painted onto our playground for our children to use during social times. We have introduced these to the children and have also opened The British Library as an area of reading outdoors. The children already have Docklands, the climbing frame and soon a couple more surprises will appear!



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Today is Red Nose Day and we were delighted to see so many children arriving to school in red items of clothing. All donations will be given to the Red Nose Day charity and if you haven't had a chance to donate you can do so via the MCAS App.



Well done to Kingston class who won the Golden Ticket this week with 99.63% attendance. Classes are building tickets to win treats and prizes so keep working hard as a class to win more!

A big thank you to everyone who attended Parents Evenings this week, we always appreciate the valuable time to sit with parents to share your child's/rens learning and progress. We are going to share the feedback form with parents and carers again to complete at home in case you didn't get a chance to complete it on the night.

Have a lovely, restful weekend.

Mrs Chamberlain



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## HVPA Safeguarding



### Our Safeguarding Team

Hampton Vale Primary Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff, governors and volunteers to share this commitment.

At Hampton Vale there is nothing more important to us than the physical health, emotional health and well-being of our pupils and staff alike.

If you have any concerns about a child, you can contact or speak to your child's class teacher/teaching assistant before or after school, speak to a member of the Senior Leadership Team or our Safeguarding Lead. All our staff will always listen to concerns about the safety and wellbeing of a child. You can also email [safeguarding@hvp.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@hvp.org.uk).

A safeguarding concern is anything that makes you feel worried or uncomfortable about a child or concerned that a child may be at risk of harm or at risk of harming another. This includes your perception of the risk of *radicalisation, sexual exploitation and any other form of child abuse (emotional, physical, neglect or sexual)*. It also includes *self-harm or the use of drugs/alcohol*.



Miss Thomas -  
Safeguarding  
Lead & Deputy  
Headteacher



Mrs Gilbert -  
Safeguarding  
Officer



Mrs Larley -  
SENCO



Miss Chatterton -  
Deputy  
Headteacher



Mr Stretch -  
Inclusion Officer



Miss Clarke -  
Attendance officer



Mrs Bull -  
Nursery Manager

Feel free to speak to any one of us at any time if you are concerned about anything all.

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