



# HAWLEY NEWSLETTER



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## Harvest Festival 2025

We were thrilled to welcome Jean from Yateley Pantry who came to talk to us about the fantastic work that this charity does to support our local community. The School Council, House Captains and Sports Leaders organised the donations for our Harvest Festival to say thanks.



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## First Half Term Done!

What a fabulous first half term! We are so pleased that the children in Year R have settled into school life. As well as learning their sounds, beginning to read and doing maths challenges, they have been cooking, pouring water into bottles, balancing on planks, building dens, making tunnels for dinosaurs in the sand pit, painting impressive pictures, junk modelling, sweeping up leaves and making friends. It's been a busy half term!

We have had three weeks of Forest School and the children have had fun digging in the mud, relaxing in the hammock, leaf rubbing and making dens. We have introduced a palm drill to make a hole in a conker to be threaded onto a necklace. Super creative.



## Butster Stone Age Farm



Year 3 and 4 had a fantastic day visiting Butser Ancient Farm exploring Stone Age life through a variety of exciting hands-on activities. The children tried their hand at 'clunching' where they crushed chalk and then mixed it with hay and water to build their own wall to a Stone Age hut. They then took part in a fascinating archaeology dig. During the excavation, Hawley's very own archaeologists unearthed a wonderful range of artefacts including pieces of Roman pottery, small metal items, and even stones dating back to the Stone Age. In the chalk carving session, the children carefully carved traditional Stone Age patterns into their pieces of chalk. They then used grass to dye their rocks green, and some used a sharp piece of flint to drill a hole. To end the day, we made our own Stone Age rope which we turned into bookmarks or bracelets. It was a wonderful day of learning, teamwork and creative fun in the fresh air!





On Tuesday 14th October, our Year 5 and 6 pupils enjoyed an exciting trip to the Winchester Science Museum. The day was packed with hands-on exploration and discovery, as students delved into the fascinating world of science. Highlights included learning about how light travels, spotting our school on Google Earth, and experiencing an incredible show in the planetarium. It was a day full of curiosity, learning, and fun!

## Exploring Winchester Science Museum



# Everybody Samba!

This term, Years 5 and 6 have thoroughly enjoyed their music lessons with Mr Jones from Hampshire Music Service. Our children have been learning all about Samba drumming – developing their rhythm, coordination, and teamwork skills. The children listened so carefully and worked collaboratively to ensure the end result during their performance was incredible! To celebrate their progress, they gave a fantastic end-of-term performance for parents, showcasing everything they had learned. Each performance was truly a rhythmic masterpiece! The sessions have been a huge hit, and everyone is already looking forward to their next opportunity to make music with Mr Jones!

