



Our newsletter will be shared every 2 weeks.
We want to celebrate some of the amazing achievements of our pupils.

Stars of the Week

- School Rules**
1. Be safe
 2. Be kind and respectful
 3. Be ready

- School Values**
- Kindness
 - Courage
 - Loyalty

Equipping Children for a World of Possibilities

Week beginning 20/04/26	Stars of the Week
Puffin	Lily and Toni
Redwing	Emin and Leo
Raven	Zachary and Dotty
Robin	Owen and Vinnie
Starling	James and Przemek
Swift	Reggie and Wing
Buzzard	Renella and Nadrah
Bullfinch	Benji and John
Goldcrest	Loghan and Violet
Greenfinch	Manaf and Archie

Week beginning 27/04/26	Stars of the Week
Puffin	Rubie and Talia
Redwing	Finley and Hattie
Raven	Sidney and Lena
Robin	Abdulmatin and Lilley-Anne
Starling	Ivy and Amelia
Swift	Kalayah and Elouise
Buzzard	Joel and Selinda
Bullfinch	Albert and Josephine
Kingfisher	Damian and Attila
Kestrel	Alfie and Dolly
Goldcrest	Emilia and Thea
Greenfinch	Saule and Miguel

Henry Hinde Update

And just like that, we find ourselves stepping into the month of May, with the year continuing to whizz by at remarkable speed. I am keeping everything crossed that the Bank Holiday weather forecast I have been avidly checking continues to improve as we edge closer to the weekend. Whatever the weather, I hope you all enjoy some well-earned time with your loved ones and make the most of the long weekend together.

The sun shone last Friday and it was certainly a colourful affair as our Sporting Celebration Day took over the school. A dazzling array of football kits brightened every corridor with our pupils and staff members proudly sporting their team colours. There were many beaming Coventry City fans, delighted to be celebrating their long awaited return to the Premiership. We wish the Sky Blues every success next season.

Our Reception children had an exciting day on Wednesday, yet another sunny day, as they set off for their adventure at West Lodge Farm. After arriving, they were busy making new furry friends — stroking goats, chicks, guinea pigs and rabbits with the kind of gentle enthusiasm that only four and five year olds can muster. A highlight for many was bottle feeding the lambs. If you've never seen a class of Reception children trying to feed wriggly, hungry lambs, imagine organised chaos... with a lot of giggling. Once the lambs were suitably pampered, the children headed to the playground, where they burned off plenty of energy, before hopping into the barrel trailers for a bumpy tour of the farm. The squeals of delight as sunhats were sent flying could probably be heard back at Henry Hinde. The journey home, however, was a very different story. After all that excitement, fresh air and animal cuddles, the coach was filled with an impressive collection of sleeping beauties — a true sign of a day well spent. A huge thank you to the Reception Team for organising such a magical trip. The children had a fantastic time, and I am sure that the memories will be treasured for a long while.

Miss Crowther led an inspiring assembly on career aspirations, sharing her experience as a performer with Five Star Theatre and how the performing arts can help develop valuable life skills. She spoke about the importance of communication, creativity, teamwork and confidence, explaining how these skills not only support success on stage but also play a key role in her work as a teacher. Pupils were encouraged to think about how developing these qualities from a young age can benefit them in future careers across many different industries. The assembly also explored the wide variety of jobs available within theatre, such as director, choreographer, technical team, stage crew, chaperone, wardrobe team and front of house. This helped children to see the many exciting career pathways the arts can offer. We are proud of your achievements, Miss Crowther.

Pupils in Years 3–6 took part in engaging SCARF PSHE workshops led by Susan, who captivated everyone with her interactive approach and the help of Harold the giraffe. Each year group explored a different theme: Year 3 focused on acceptance, Year 4 learned about protecting both body and mind, Year 5 discovered how the brain works and ways to calm a busy mind, and Year 6 concentrated on setting and working towards their goals. The sessions were lively, thoughtful, and provided valuable skills for our pupils' personal development.

We truly value the positive atmosphere our school community creates and we ask that all interactions on site remain calm and respectful, especially with children nearby. Our pupils learn so much from the way adults speak and behave around them and your kindness makes a real difference. If you have any concerns to share, the school office is always ready to listen and help. Together, we can ensure our school remains a warm, supportive place for everyone.

Henry Hinde Update

We have received a number of enquiries about ordering uniform items for next year, so I wanted to give you an update on our plans going forward.

As we announced last week, we have now received confirmation that we will be merging Henry Hinde Infants and Juniors, officially becoming one Henry Hinde School, based on the Cornwallis Site from September 2026.

As part of this, we have been exploring uniform options for the future and we are excited to be introducing a new Henry Hinde School uniform, representing our new shared school identity. I'd like to thank our Parents Forum who I met with in February, as well as our brilliant pupil leadership team who have also shared their uniform ideas with me.

In order to reduce the costs for our families, we have settled on the introduction of a Henry Hinde School sweatshirt, cardigan and polo shirt, which will all include the new school logo. While other uniform items, including PE Kit, will be available to purchase from supermarkets or high street retailers (we are preparing guidelines on colours and styles of items to purchase).

Phased introduction of the new uniform

These changes will be introduced gradually.

Pupils joining the school in Reception and Year 3 in September 2026 will be asked to purchase the new uniform items.

Pupils who are currently in Reception, Year 1, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 will have the whole of the next academic year (until September 2027) to transition to the new uniform. During this period, the current uniform may continue to be worn. However, if families would prefer to purchase the new uniform ready for September 2026, you are very welcome to do so.

Further uniform details and the ordering process

We are in the final stages of setting up the ordering process for the new school uniform items (including the new school logo) and we will send out a full list of uniform requirements and how to order before the May half term. We, therefore, ask that you hold off purchasing any new uniform items or making contact with the PTA about second-hand uniform items until we have shared the full uniform details with you.

Thank you for your continued support in helping our pupils present themselves with pride and confidence.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Grenville Site	Cornwallis Site	BOTH
Tuesday 5th May		Year 3 Trip to Thinktank in Birmingham	
Thursday 7th May	School closed for Polling Day	School Open	
Tuesday 12th May	Year 1 DT Workshop 2.00pm		
Thursday 14th May	Year 2 DT Workshop 2.00pm		
Tuesday 19th May			Class Photographs
Friday 12th June			Non Uniform Day for Bottle Donations
Friday 19th June		Colour Run 5.00-7.00pm	
Thursday 25th June	Sports Afternoon		
Friday 26th June		Sports Afternoon	
Thursday 2nd July	Back Up Sports Afternoon		
Friday 3rd July		Back Up Sports Afternoon	
Wednesday 8th July			Transition Day 1
Thursday 9th July			Transition Day 2
Friday 10th July		Year 4 Trip to Bosworth Battlefield	



Warwickshire Parent Carer Voice (WPCV) is partnering with your school to improve school experiences for children with SEND.

We'd love to hear from you!

We are aware that parents do not always have time to attend the SEND coffee and Chat meetings in person, but may still wish to be included in the conversation. Therefore, Warwickshire Parent Carer Voice have set up a WhatsApp group chat for each of the schools they work with. These chats are a way to connect parents of children with SEND with Warwickshire Parent Carer Voice and to work together to improve school experiences.

Please see the above invitation poster for our school's WhatsApp group.

Alternatively, here is the invitation link:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/IA6YdDipX5n3idUY8kgFQO>

The group is aimed at parents of children with SEND.



Help Us Make the Colour Run A Spectacular!

As you may have seen from our recent "Save the Date," Friends of Henry Hinde Colour Run is coming to the Cornwallis Site on Friday 19th June! To make this family event even more exciting, we are planning a raffle, and we need your help to make it a success.

We are looking for donations of prizes from local businesses, services, or even talented individuals within our school community.

How you can help:

Do you run a local business? Would you be willing to donate a voucher, a gift hamper, or a service?

Do you have a contact?

If you have a favourite local cafe, salon, or shop, please consider asking if they would like to support our school charity.

Charity Status:

For any business that requires it, please note that we are a Registered Charity (No. 1215771).

We are more than happy to give any donating businesses a "shout-out" on our social media pages, colour run event and in our school newsletter.

Where to drop donations:

If you have a prize to donate, please bring it to the School Office.

Our wonderful office team will be collecting all items on behalf of the PTA.

Every penny raised from the raffle goes directly back into enhancing the Henry Hinde school experience for our children, so every donation—big or small—makes a massive difference.

Thank you for your incredible continued support!

Week beginning 27th April 2026



These are the questions we have discussed in school and in assemblies this week.

We would like to share these questions with you so that, at home, you can take some time to discuss with your children the music and the songs they have listened to.

How has pop music changed?

What has stayed the same?

Which decade do you prefer?

Why does technology change music?

What might pop music sound like in the future?

Miss Stonell and Mrs Patel

Week beginning 4th May 2026



These are the questions we have discussed in school and in assemblies this week.

We would like to share these questions with you so that, at home, you can take some time to discuss with your children the music and the songs they have listened to.

How is this music made?

What sounds are electronic?

How is this different from orchestral music?

Why do musicians use technology?

How might music sound in the future?

Miss Stonell and Mrs Patel

Congratulations

To Poppy in Year 2 for achieving her Primary Bronze Award in Musical Theatre and getting a medal with the Musical Theatre Awards Scheme.
Well done!

Forest School Swing

Please do not use the Forest School swing on the Grenville site when dropping off your child in the morning or collecting at the end of the day.
Thank you.

Football Camp 2026(2 days)

AT AVON VALLEY SCHOOL & PERFORMING ARTS COLLEGE

Newbold Rd, Rugby CV21 1EH

(held on the Grass pitches for 2 days)

Held On : Thursday 28th May – Friday 29th May

(10.00am -3.00pm) -For All Children Aged 4 – 15.

Dear Parents,

I am pleased to inform you that due to the huge success of our weekly coaching programme and soccer camps over the last 18 years, we have organised the 2026 May half term Football camp from Thursday 28TH May until Friday 29TH May Avon valley School for all children aged 4 – 15.

About the action packed fun days

- They are designed to work with children of all abilities, ranging from the beginner to the more advanced player.
- The camp is run by F.A qualified coaches, who are D.B.S checked, and hold an advanced premier skills qualification, they are currently working with children, enabling them to learn essential soccer techniques, building **CONFIDENCE**, improving **FITNESS** and providing the most important ingredient of all **'FUN'**!
- All aspects of the game are covered, dribbling, control, passing, heading, tackling and team play.
- **The professional goals are used in all groups for shooting practice and small sided games.**
- Children will be supervised at all times, and coached according to their age group.
- Each child will be provided with a football for individual skill practice.
- The camp is held outdoor on grass fields , therefore children may wear boots or trainers.
- The camp is run for 2 days from 10.00am – 3.00pm, children can be dropped off at 9.30am, lunch will be from 12.15pm – 1.00pm, this is where children bring their own packed lunch and plenty of drinks!
- Parents are most welcome at any time on the camp, as this encourages a fantastic atmosphere.

Presentation of trophies and awards

- On Friday at 2.00pm we hold a presentation , whereby **EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE A MEDAL AND CERTIFICATE, AND TROPHIES FOR THE WINNERS OF THE COMPETITIONS.** Again, parents and friends are encouraged to come and see the players receive their awards.
- There are many opportunities to win extra trophies including the **WORLD CUP** , Penalty and American shoot out competitions, skill point winners and player of the camp.

The cost of the 2 day camp is £40 per child for both days days.£25 daily ,£30 for any additional brothers or sisters.

Please **note**: Places are limited; therefore bookings will be taken on a first come first served basis. If you wish to reserve a place for your child please text me child's name age and put football camp to the phone number below, please send payment to the details below with the reference as your child's name. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me on : -

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Sort code 04-00-06

Account number 17102598

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