

# NEWSLETTER



**Howard**  
Community Academy

13th January 2023

## A Message From Staff

As I write, we are preparing for our sports barn official opening. This £60,000 refurbishment project has taken lots of time and effort from people working tirelessly behind the scenes to secure the funding, plan and coordinate each step of the refurbishment. A huge thank you to Anglian Learning for their investment and project management. A huge thank you to Mr Chaplin for all of his efforts in managing contractors and the preparations to be ready for today. It is wonderful to be able to celebrate the use of this fantastic facility on our doorstep with our wonderful children and parents.

This week has also seen many of our activities restart. Year 5 started their swimming lessons and our coaching and mentoring programme for some of our Year 5 and 6 has re-started, along with our Thrive and ELSA groups. We have enjoyed bootcamp, brass lessons and some digital art too. To add to these, our after school football and cooking clubs and Tchoukball club start next week (see letter for details).

Our Plan Bee course for parents also started this week, as well as our parent and child cooking class run by Realise Futures. It is truly magic to have our school feeling busy with many busy rooms and corridors.

Please note that this term we will no longer be using parentmail but moving to My Child At School (MCAS) for our communications. Please download the app and log on to ensure you get all the key information sent out.

*Mrs Weir*



## Next week at Howard Community Academy:-

Wednesday 18th January – Ancient Greek workshop for Rabbit class

Thursday 19th January – Badger class trip to Ancient House museum

Thursday 19th January at 2.30pm – Hedgehog reading café

Friday 20th January – Fox class to Young Voices concert

## Headteacher Awards

I am pleased to announce the following pupils have received a Headteacher Award. Congratulations to each pupil on their achievement.

Headteacher  
Awards

Kai B

Clemency B

Jessica L

Henry M

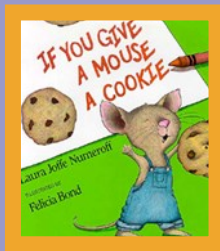
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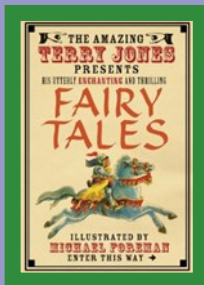
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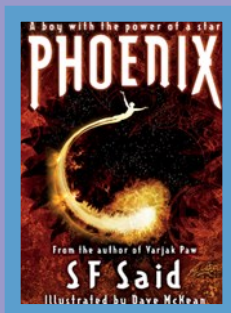
## Looking for a good read?



If You Give a Mouse a Cookie  
Laura Joffe Numeroff



Fairy Tales  
Terry Jones



Phoenix  
S.F.Said

## Dates for your diary

3rd February Number Day

6th February Bikeability for Y5/6

13th-17th February 2023  
Half-term break

## Stars of the Week

Mr Parker for all of his planning and preparation for our sports barn opening.



## Attendance and wrap around care

This week 87% of our children attended school. It has been lovely to see you all. Do let us know if we can help in any way.

We are continuing to advertise for after school club staff as we look to provide some after school club provision. Watch this space!

## Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club offers the opportunity to start the day well and ensure your child is ready to learn. It is open to all and paid places run from 7.45am. If your child is entitled to pupil premium funding, they are able to access a funded place from 8.15am. All we ask is that you book in advance so that we can ensure we have the correct staffing ratios in place. Book online via parentmail or contact the school office



## How to Contact Us

If you need help with advice on how to get online, resources to help your child learn at home or any other support we are here to help. Please speak to a member of staff or phone the school office on 01284 766278.

Class teachers can be contacted via class emails e.g. otter@howardprimary.org for Otter class, badger@howardprimary.org for Badger class.

## Howard is fabulous!

Keep up to date with news about our learning in school, events and activities as they happen, and some useful links for activities to complete at home, by following us on our social media pages:

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