## A Message From Staff

Welcome back to an exciting half term at Howard **Community Academy!** 

We have a busy half term of activities planned, including transition activities, theatre productions and sports day to name just a few things. In addition, I am excited to share with you that our major remodelling and refurbishment project of the school will be starting at the beginning of July. I met this week with our building contractors, Gippings to discuss the details. The project is planned to run to April 2024, as different phases of the school are worked on. Initially, there will be some temporary relocation of Hedgehog and Owl classes for the last few weeks of term to enable the works to start but details will be shared with you nearer the time. Mr Oakley and I also met with West Suffolk College this week to discuss some exciting partnership working for next academic year. Watch this space for more information next year.

#### **Community Academy**



This week our travelling book fair is in school and will be available after school for you to look at the books with your children. Ordering and payment is directly with the company online, using their link.

Rev Val, who comes in to school for assemblies, from St George's church invites everyone to join them for Messy Church on 18th June from 3-5pm. This is open to families and children of all ages.

Mrs Weir

Next week at Howard....

Monday 12th June - Computing Day

Tuesday 13th June - Cathedral after school singing event for Year 3/4

Thursday 15th June at 2pm - Badger parents class art/craft workshop

Friday 16th June - Class group photographs

# Headteacher Awards I am pleased to announced the following pupils have

received a Headteacher Award. Congratulations!



Traction Man Mini Grey



The Boy Who Went Magic AP Winters



#### **Dates for your diary**

19th June– Staff training day 23rd June– Sports Day 28th June and 5th July– Move up days (R-Y5) Jagodinska for their help in Breakfast Club. Attendance



This week 91.9% of our children attended

school. It has been lovely to see you all. Do let us know if we can help in any way.

Please note that we are unable to authorise term time holidays according to government guidelines and penalty fines may apply.

### **SEND News from Mrs Wakeman**



This week I would like to share some ideas from autism.org.uk about how to get your child to come to school if they are feeling anxious:

-Encourage them to communicate about the problem- use visuals, rate events in the day from scary- not scary. Opens up discussing what things they are struggling with. (Please do share any concerns you uncover with us)

-Create a worry book so anxieties can be recorded. Read it at the end of the day as part of your after-school routine. You can then discuss how to cope with any worries that they have raised.

-Find ways to reduce and monitor stress e.g. going for a walk, singing a song. Keep a feelings chart- such as the one used at school.

-Reward and praise progress on this.

#### 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,

## Howard is fabulous!

Keep up to date with news about our learning in school, events

