NEWSLETTER

10th November 2023

A Message From Staff

Another busy week seems to have flown by! One of the key characteristics in our wellbeing curriculum is determination and we have seen that in so many ways this week in school. On Tuesday a group from Year 3/4 attended the Bury Sports Partnership multisports event. With 5 other primary schools from the town, our children had a great time playing dodgeball, bench ball and team games. They showed great determination and team work! There was also great determination in year 6 during our Art/craft parent workshop. As part of their design and technology work year 6 (helped by their parents) faced the challenge of building a stable structure using spaghetti and tape. Using their problem solving skills the children created some impressive designs.

We are really keen to work with you as parents, but we are aware that there are instances when emotions run high and recently some of our staff have been on the

receiving end of some verbally aggressive behaviours. Please be aware that we do not expect our staff to work in a situation where they feel threatened or intimidated. Should you have a concern that you wish to discuss with a member of staff, please do make an appointment through the school office to speak to the class teacher or a member of our senior leadership team.

Next week we will be raising money for Children in Need by wearing spots on Friday 17th November.

Mrs Weir

Coming up next week at Howard....

Wednesday 15th November at 9am– Owl class art workshop

Friday 17th November– Otter class to Big Sing at Snape Maltings

Headteacher Awards

I am pleased to announced the following pupils have received a Headteacher Award. Congratulations!



Madison P

Rhys B

Kai C

Howard **T**•

Community Academy

Oscar B

Bonnie B

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Looking for a good read?



The Rainbow Fish Marcus Pfister



The What on Earth Wallbook Christopher Lloyd



Mold and the Poison Plot Lorraine Gregory

Dates for your diary

23rd November– Badger class trip 8th December- Career Development Essentials (West Suffolk College online course) 12th December– Christmas Carol concert and Nativity 12th December– Christmas Fayre 21st December– Last day of term

Star of the Week

Mr Oakley for sharing his maths expertise at Bury Schools Partnership conference.

This week 93.5% of our children attended school. It has been lovely to see you all.

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 a useful website that has ideas for implementing bedtime routines. The ideas are specifically for children with autism but could be useful for all children that are struggling with settling at bedtime. This is-<u>Free Visual Schedule</u> Templates for Autism | Picture Schedules for Home Activities

(adayinourshoes.com)

Other ideas are:

- Nutritious snack or milk
- Bath or diaper change
- Brushing teeth and going to the bathroom
- Reading a book
- Lullaby or singing a song together
- Massage, cuddling, and rocking
- Talking about their day

The bedtime routine should culminate in a goodnight kiss and lightsout You should leave the room while your child is sleepy but not asleep yet. This way they learn to fall asleep on their own, and they won't panic if they wake up in the middle of the night and find you gone. Set a consistent bedtime that leaves enough

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.

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:

https://www.facebook.com/HowardCAcademy

