# NEWSLETTER

1st December 2023

## A Message From Staff

The frosty weather this week is a reminder of the winter season and in school that is always a busy time as we prepare for all the festive activities. Rehearsals and practices for our carol concert can be seen and heard around school. Preparations for our Christmas Fayre are also underway.

It was lovely to have so many Badger class parents in school this week for their art workshop and spotting so much hidden artistic talent in our parents too!

James from Energy Sparks came to talk to us in assembly this week about how we could be saving energy. He also ran a workshop with our Eco-council who have been busy planning how to make our school more energy efficient, saving energy, money and our planet! I have had conversations with many children, enthused by the challenge.



Recently we have had an increase in children bringing in football cards and toys to school. We ask that these stay at home as the children don't need them for their learning and often are a huge distraction for everyone. Also, a polite reminder that we ask that your children do not bring snacks or food containing nuts into school as we have children with allergies.

As the temperatures outside drop, please do ensure that your child comes in to school with a coat. Please do let us know if you need help with any spare clothing as we have donations in school for our clothes swap shop.

Lastly, Anglian Learning Parent and Carer Engagement Survey. Have Your Say! Don't forget to complete our Anglian Learning parent and carer engagement survey by Friday 8 December. The survey is completely anonymous and confidential and will take no more than 15 minutes to complete via this link <a href="http://www.edurio.com/poll/ORDFfH">http://www.edurio.com/poll/ORDFfH</a> Mrs Weir

Coming up next week at Howard....

Wednesday 6th December at 9am– Rabbit class art workshop

Wednesday 6th December at 2.45pm—Badger class assembly

Wednesday 6th December- Flu vaccinations

Thursday 7th December at 2pm– Otter class art workshop

## Headteacher Awards

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

Headteacher
Awards

Melania P
David O

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Cole W

Darcey P

Connie B

Graci-Mae J

Harper-Mae P

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## Looking for a good read?



We're All Wonders RJ Palacio



Bill's New Frock Anne Fine



The Amazing Maurice Terry Pratchett

#### Dates for your diary

## 6th December– Badger class assembly

12th December– Christmas Carol concert and Nativity

12th December– Christmas Fayre 20th December Christmas lunch

and Christmas jumper day

21st December-Last day of term

## **Star of the Week**

Mrs Grundill for her flexibility and adaptability this week.

#### Attendance

This week 92.6% 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 signpost a useful online course.

Supporting children and young people to manage their emotions. Thursday, 14 December • 10:00 – 11:30am

Online session for parents/carers hosted by SENDIASS and delivered by specialist teachers from the Social, Emotional and Mental Health Service. This will explore ways to help your child to understand and manage their

feelings and also strategies that schools may use and how they can access advice to enable them to support your child.

#### 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. 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:

https://www.facebook.com/HowardCAcademy

