

NEWSLETTER



Howard
Community Academy

21st June 2024

A Message From Staff

The weather has been so much better this week, which has been great for our Active Week. The sun has been shining, as have many of us!

On Monday, the whole school took part in our sponsored fitness challenge and met paralympian Sean Rose. It was great to hear his incredible story, learn what motivates him and be inspired to put our minds to our own challenges! Please do send in sponsor forms and money as soon as possible, so we can ensure your child receives their prize.

On Tuesday Year 5 and 6 were fortunate to take part in some basketball coaching, while others had a go at footgolf– a mixture between football and golf. It was also lovely to see so many Badger class parents join us for their art workshop too.



Our sports day on Wednesday was a great success, with our wonderful children giving their all trying their best in the carousel activities and our races. The beaming smiles and sheer determination from our young people were just magic and it was a lovely to be able to share the experience with many of our parents. A huge thank you to Mrs Biggs, who organised and coordinated the week, and her team of helpers behind the scenes. Without this support we simply couldn't run many of the events that we do.

Next week continues to be as busy with some visiting theatre productions and the first of our transition afternoons on Thursday. We look forward to seeing parents at Hedgehog and Otter's art workshops too.

Mrs Weir

Coming up at Howard.....

Hedgehog art workshop– 25th June at 2.30pm

Otter art workshop– 26th June at 2pm

Move up afternoon –27th June

Headteacher Awards

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



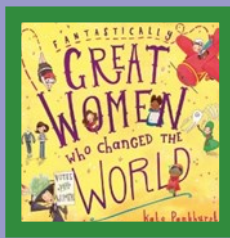
Well done to all of our sports superstars this week!



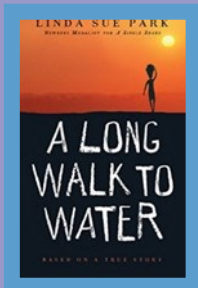
Looking for a good read?



The Promise
Nicola Davies



Fantastically Great Women
Who Changed the World
Kate Pankhurst



A Long Walk to Water
Linda Sue Park

Dates for your diary

25th June Hedgehog Art Workshop
26th June Otter Art workshop
27th June Move up afternoon
11th July Year 6 Leavers BBQ
12th July PTA Summer disco
18th July Last day of term

Stars of the Week

Mrs Biggs for her sports day organisation– we had an amazing day!



Attendance

This week 92.6% of our children attended school. It has been lovely to see you all. Government expectations are 96% attendance for every child. Please note that we are unable to authorise term time holidays according to government guidelines and penalty fines may apply.

A message from Mrs Wakeman

Some useful tips that give ideas to help with transition! The most important thing is to think about what your child will find most difficult (e.g. changes to routine, environment, or staff) and discuss ways they can be supported with this.



- Try to find out **what your child is worried about** and talk to them about what might make things better.
- Explain to your child **what will be different**. Discuss what is the same and what will be different.
- Seeing **photos or a virtual tour** of the class/school layout may benefit your child
- Think about **what has worked well** in the past when you've helped your child prepare for a new experience.

Your child will be **reassured by your calming responses** and a reminder that you and school or college can support them in managing the changes.



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.

Howard is fabulous!

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