

NEWSLETTER



Howard
Community Academy

18th October 2024

A Message From Staff

This week has seen the school busy with many different activities. Year 6 went off on their residential trip this week. Residential trips are such a special time where we see our children grow and shine in different ways through challenging themselves, as well as really grow together as a group. Axe-throwing, kayaking, canoeing and climbing were just a few of the many activities that they tried out. From speaking to the children, stand up paddle boarding was a firm favourite! Thank you to Mr Copsey and Miss Jagodzinska for accompanying the group.

Year 3 parents had the opportunity to view the fabulous ballet work that the children have been doing as part of the Primary Steps Ballet programme run by the Royal Ballet school. Seeing the pure enjoyment of the children was a real treat.

On Thursday we hosted visitors from schools across the country to share the amazing work we are doing at Howard. They were so impressed by the lovely calm feel of the school and commented how clearly our values of Aspiration, Experiences, Nurturing and Community shone through in all that we are doing to enable great learning experiences for our children and families.

In other news we welcome Leanne Smith to join the team. Leanne is a student social worker on placement with us so please do say hello when you see her around school. Finally, we have been made aware of Whatsapp groups being used by children to be unkind. A reminder that the legal age for Whatsapp is 16+ and that monitoring your child's online interactions out of school is a parental responsibility.

Mrs Weir



Coming up at Howard....

Wednesday 23rd October at 9am– Otter class assembly

Wednesday 23rd October at 5pm– Open evening for new reception parents in 2025

Thursday 24th October at 2pm– Fox class art workshop

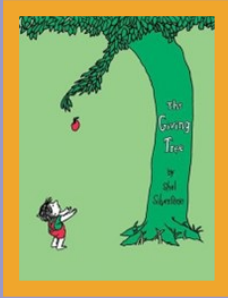
Headteacher Awards

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

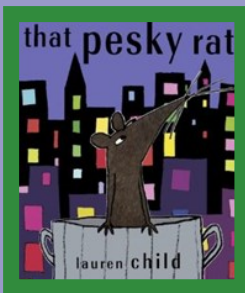


Our tree-painting parents from our coffee and catch up group. Thank you!

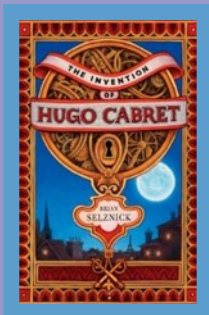
Looking for a good read?



The Giving Tree
Shel Silverstein



That Pesky Rat
Lauren Child



The Invention of Hugo Cabret
Brian Selznick

Star of the Week

Mr Copsey and Miss Jagodzinska for their residential support.

Mrs Hall for her adaptability!



Attendance

This week 94.3% 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. **NEW RULES APPLY.**

SEND News from Mrs Wakeman

This week I would like to signpost to a SENDIASS session-[Sensory processing difficulties in the early years](#)

This is taking place online on Monday 4th November @ 6.00- 7.30. The session will explore:

- What sensory processing difficulties are
- How you might see these in children 0-5
- Some simple strategies and resources



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.

Dates for your diary

- 23rd October-Otter class assembly
- 25th October- PTA disco
- 28th October-1st November—Half term break
- 4th November- Autumn 2 term begins

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 page:



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