

# NEWSLETTER

24th January 2025

## A Message From Staff

It has been a joy to collaborate with other schools in Bury St Edmunds as part of the Bury Education Partnership. As well as children taking part in shared events across the town, staff have benefitted this week from the opportunity to come together with other teaching colleagues to share good practice. Thank you to Mr Oakley and Mrs Millard, our specialist teacher, for sharing your expertise!

This week I have had the privilege of spending time in classes and sharing the children's learning with them. Reading with children, seeing their progress and hearing their confidence in talking and sharing their ideas has been magical. Over a term it is amazing to see the children grow in their knowledge, skill and confidence.

We are so fortunate to have a lovely group of dedicated volunteer readers who come in weekly to read with children. On Thursday our library was filled with the lovely buzz of children reading with adults and enjoying the special time sharing a story. As well as reading being such an important key life skill, the whole experience of sharing a story together in itself is a special moment. I have enjoyed my stories this week with children. Enjoy your moments of sharing stories together at home!

*Mrs Weir*



## Reading cafes at Howard....

Wednesday 29th January at 9am– Rabbit class and at 2.30pm– Badger class

Thursday 30th January at 2.15pm– Otter class

Tuesday 4th February at 9am– Hedgehog class

Wednesday 5th February at 9am– Robin class

Thursday 13th February at 2.15pm– Fox class

## Headteacher Awards

I am pleased to announce the following pupils have received a Headteacher Award.



Amelia L

Crystal O

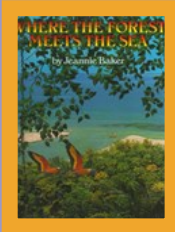
Jayden S

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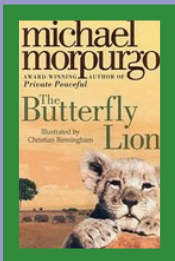
Lily P

## Looking for a good read?

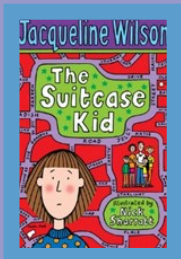


Where the Forest Meets  
The Sea

Jeannie Baker



The Butterfly Lion  
Michael Morpurgo



The Suitcase Kid  
Jacqueline Wilson

## Dates for your diary

- 29.1.25 Rabbit reading café
- 29.1.25 Badger reading café
- 30.1.25 Otter reading café
- 4.2.25 Hedgehog reading café
- 5.2.25 Robin reading café
- 13.2.25 Fox reading café
- 17.2.25– 21.2.25 Half term break



### FamilyLine

Call: 0808 802 6666 Text: 0737 404 282  
Email: familyline@family-action.org.uk

## Stars of the Week

Mrs Steed for going the extra mile this week!



## Attendance

This week 93.2% 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 sign post you to a couple of websites that give some advice about sleeping. They also provide an idea of how much sleep your child should have according to their age.

Sleep hygiene in children and young people | Great Ormond Street Hospital

Children - The Sleep Charity  
I hope you find these useful.



## 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](mailto:otter@howardprimary.org) for Otter 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 page:



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