

NEWSLETTER

9th May 2025

A Message From Staff

Although it has been a shorter week, it feels like we have packed a lot into the week. On Tuesday teachers met with senior leaders to talk about our children's progress in learning. We spend time talking about each child and thinking through their next steps together. Learning is a partnership and we can see the difference that reading with your child makes, reflected in their learning. Sharing stories and talking about experiences gives your child a great boost, so thank you for helping your child in this way.

With three reading cafes this week, we have seen lots of our parents and carers come and join us in school. The children really look forward to seeing their adults and it is a lovely way for them to share their learning with you.

Our Governing Body met this week. As always, it is a pleasure to share some of the successes and positives in school as well as discussing some of our challenges. Taking on the role of a critical friend, the Governing body are a group of volunteers who meet regularly to offer support and challenge to the school. Our Governors often do pop in to school for events so you may see some of them in reading cafes, assemblies or outside. They wear Governors lanyards, so please do introduce yourselves. They would love to chat to parents.

We say goodbye this week to Leanne Smith, our student social worker, who has been on placement with us this year. We wish her all the best as she goes on to her next placement, but we will miss having her around in school. Coffee and catch up groups will continue to run at normal times.

Mrs Weir



Coming up this week at Howard.....

Monday 12th May–Thursday 15th May– Year 6 SATs and SATS breakfast

Tuesday 13th May at 2.30pm– Badger class reading café

Wednesday 14th May to Tuesday 20th May– Book fair arrives. Opportunities to buy books in Community room after school.

Headteacher Awards

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



Lily W

Oscar C

Rio C

Ariana N

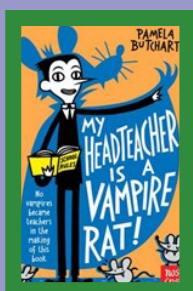
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Angelene A

Looking for a good read?



I Want My Hat Back
Jon Klassen



My Headteacher is a Vampire Rat



Cogheart
Peter Bunzl

Star of the Week

Leanne Smith for a successful placement.



Attendance

This week 93% 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 you to the British Dyslexia Association. Here you will find helpful advice about what you can do if you think that your child might be dyslexic as well as support that you can provide. If you sign up to the website there is a guide to dyslexia for parents that is free to download. There is information about the signs of dyslexia and ways that you can support your child.

[Signs of dyslexia \(Primary school age\) - British Dyslexia Association](#)
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 for Otter class.

Dates for your diary

12.5.25-15.5.25 Key Stage 2 SATs
14.5.25 Book fair
23.5.25 Badger Class Roman day
23.5.25 Last day of half term
26.5.25– 30.5.25 Half term break
18.6.25 Sports day

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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