NEWSLETTER

17th October 2025



A Message From Mrs Weir

Thank you to Ms Barratt from our local rotary club for visiting and presenting our Year 4 children with dictionaries for life on Monday. It is a lovely gesture and a precious memory. It was Hedgehog class turn to have their adults visit and join us for their reading café this week. It was lovely for us to welcome you all and to share some special time, reading with your child.

On Thursday I was invited to talk to staff from different schools across Anglian Learning about some of the arts projects we have worked on at Howard over the past few years. Stepping back and reflecting made me realise just how many different things we have done in a short space of time—our amazing murals co-created with artist Alfie Carpenter, dance projects with DanceEast and Glasshouse dance, screen printing workshops, theatre productions and workshops, clay workshops, our

recent textile art project for year 3 working with artist Ricki Outis to name a few. One of our key values is experience and our children have definitely benefitted form a range of artistic ones!

Planning ahead to next term, our children will benefit from some amazing planned activities and trips; Early Years and Key Stage 1 will be taking part in workshops at St Marys church, Key Stage 2 will be going to see The Magic Flute production in Ipswich and our Year 6 are heading off on their residential trip. Amazing real life experiences for learning to be enjoyed.

Premier sports led some sports activities for years 1-6. If your child is interested in doing more, they will be running their holiday club activities— check out their website! We look forward to welcoming you to parents evening meetings next week on Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd October. Please book in online using our MCAS system.

Mrs Weir

Coming up at Howard
Wednesday 22nd October at 9am- Otter class assembly

Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd October– Parents evenings
Monday 3rd November – Wednesday 5th November– Y6 Residential trip to

Thorpe Woodlands

Headteacher Awards



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

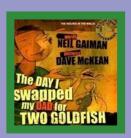
Mia P Jared S Gia

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Looking for a good read?



Mr Bump
Roger Hargreaves



The Day I Swapped My Dad for Two Goldfish

Neil Gaiman



Kensuke's Kingdom
Michael Morpurgo

Dates for your diary

22.10.25 Otter class assembly 22.10.25 and 23.10.25 Parents evening 27.10.25–31.10.25 Half term break 3.11.25—5.11.25 Year 6 residential trip to Thorpe Woodlands

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Star of the Week

Ms Warwick for being so flexible this week.

Attendance

This week 91.5% of our children attended school. It has been lovely to see you all. The government expectation is that children are in school for at least 96% of the school year to help them learn. 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 apply.

SEND News from Ms Whiting

This week I would like to introduce you to two useful websites about neurodiversity, where there are links to workshops and ideas for how to support your child if they have neurodiverse needs.

These are: Childhood neurodivergence workshops | Norfolk and Suffolk NHS

West Suffolk Neurodevelopmental Support Service - Family Action

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.

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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