

NEWSLETTER

7th November 2025

A Message From Mrs Weir

Year 6 started off the week with their residential trip to Thorpe Woodlands. They had a great time trying out all the different activities. Caving, canoeing (and then choosing to jump in the river), climbing and the new 3G swing were just a few of the activities that they tried. When I collected them, several children were so proud to tell me how “they had faced their fears” by taking part in the challenges. Residential trips are a great way of building resilience, trying out new activities and growing our confidence and our Year 6 did all of those things with gusto! There had been a lot of singing together too, practicing some songs for the Young Voices concert coming up in the Spring term.

On Monday Ladybird and Owl classes worked with Crafty Foxes to create Christmas tree decorations to decorate some of the town Christmas trees organised by Bury St Edmunds town council. Their bottle animals look great and we are looking forward to seeing them on the trees in our town **community** in a few weeks time. Do look for them around town when you are out and about!

As part of our creative arts provision Kingfisher class got creative with their parents at their art workshop on Wednesday. From all accounts they thoroughly enjoyed painting and spending time with their adults.

On Thursday the whole school was treated to a music workshop funded by the Benedetti Foundation which involved being taken on a musical adventure, composing and performing their own song, playing body percussion, listening to live music and having lots of fun. What an amazing **experience**.

Mrs Weir



Coming up at Howard

Wednesday 12th November at 2pm Otter class art/DT parent workshop

Friday 14th November at 9am– Nursery Autumn art workshop

Friday 14th November– Children in Need– Wear spots for £1

Reading Stars



I am pleased to announced the following pupils have received a reading star award. Congratulations!

Danny K

Jack C

Isaac C

Obi-Jack W

Ikra T

Tabasom W

Imogen W

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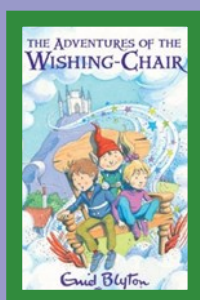
Joanna G

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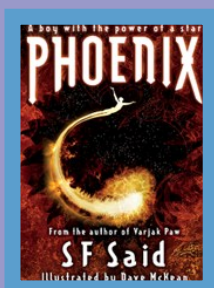
Looking for a good read?



Aliens Love Underpants
Claire Freedman and Ben Cort



The Adventures of the Wishing Chair
Enid Blyton



Phoenix
S F Said

Star of the Week

Our Year 5/6 team- Mrs Tomlinson, Ms Whiting, Mrs Schofield and Mr Copsey- for all of the additional effort to run the residential trip and provision for those back at school.



Attendance

This week average attendance was 91.9%. 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

A reminder of some useful courses advertised by SENDIASS- The first is about stories to support with SEND needs. It is being held on 12th November @ 10.30-11.30. Personalised Stories session - Suffolk SENDIASS

The second is about behaviour being a means of communication. It is being held on 19th November @ 10.00-11.30.

Understanding Children and Young People's Behaviour as a Communication Need Tickets, Wed 19 Nov 2025 at 10:00 | Eventbrite

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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National Domestic Abuse helpline: 0808 2000 247

Dates for your diary

12.11.25 Otter design and technology workshop for parents

14.11.25 Autumn art workshop for nursery

19.11.25 Hedgehog art workshop

24.11.25 Year 2 to Skills Escalator day

26.11.25 KS2 Pantomime visit



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