

NEWSLETTER



Howard
Community Academy

13th March 2026

A Message From Mrs Weir

This week has been busy in school with different activities happening. Hedgehog class enjoyed their science workshop on Tuesday and Year 2 were invited to watch Shrek the musical at Abbeygate sixth form college on Wednesday. Our Year 6 girls took part in a skateboarding workshop and we also had a parents meeting for our Year 5 families about the upcoming residential trip in Autumn term.



It was a pleasure to host a visit from the Director of Primary and Director of Inclusion during the week. They thoroughly enjoyed talking to a group of children from Key Stage 2 on the theme of belonging. Our children were clearly able to explain how they felt that they belong in our school and what they enjoy most about our school, including all the opportunities they experience here.

To ensure that our children are able to learn well and have the best possible life chances, it is important that our children are in school to benefit from all types of learning experiences. Please help give your child the best start by ensuring that they are in school.

Our breakfast club goes from strength to strength and we are experiencing some demand for places. Everyone is welcome to attend for free from 8.15am and there is an option to pay for additional time for those who want to join us from 7.45am. If you wish your child to attend, you must book in advance on My Child at School so that we can ensure we have enough staff. Please be aware that if you do not book in advance by lunch time the previous day, you will not be able to attend.

We are looking forward to meeting with you at parents evening next week on Tuesday and Wednesday. We also plan to display art work from the children in our own Howard Community Academy art exhibition for you to enjoy on the evening. Please ensure you book in for an appointment to speak with your child's class teacher. *Mrs Weir*

Next week at Howard....

Tues 17th March– Y3/4 to Easter Encounters

Tues 17th March at 2.15pm Ladybird parent DT workshop

Wednesday 18th March at 9am– Nursery art workshop

Thursday 19th March at 2pm- Badger parent art workshop

Headteacher Awards



Harry P

Jack C

Cole W

Aronas M

Jago M

Gracie-Mae J

Xiamirah K

Karina K

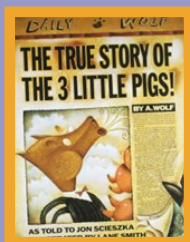
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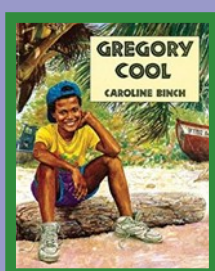
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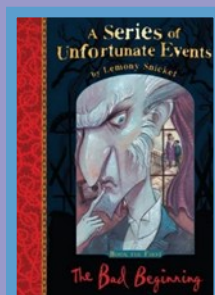
Looking for a good read?



The True Story of The 3 Little Pigs
Jon Scieszka



Gregory Cool
Caroline Binch



A Series of Unfortunate Events
Lemony Snickett

Dates for your diary

- 17.3.26 and 18.3.26 Parents evenings
- 17.3.26 Ladybird art workshop
- 18.3.26 Nursery art workshop
- 19.3.26 Badger art workshop
- 24.3.26 Owl art workshop
- 25.3.26 Kingfisher art workshop
- 26.3.26 After school silkscreen printing workshop for families
- 27.3.26 Last day of term
- 30.3.26-10.4.26 Easter holidays

Star of the Week

Mrs Bugg for her flexibility and readiness to adapt.



Attendance

This week average attendance was 92.9%. 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

This week I would like signpost you to some useful websites if you think your child is showing traits of ASD or ADHD. These are useful sites for recognising signs, tips to support and advice to help get a diagnosis.

ADHD Support For Your Child | Parents Advice Guide | YoungMinds

What is autism Children & Families | Mentalwell | Online ADHD and Autism Assessment

I do hope you find this 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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