

Newsletter

Exploring, learning, and growing together—one day, one lesson, and one success at a time!



Howard Community Academy

16.10.26

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This Week at Howard Community Academy

This week has been full of exciting learning and great progress. We're proud of our children for their effort and enthusiasm in every activity. Here's a quick look at what we've been up to:

Geography

Year 5 and 6 enjoyed going for a local field trip walking around the local area to spot geographical features.



Year 3 and 4 have been continuing to practice playing their ukeles and guitars with big smiles!

Music

Our SEND coffee information mornings for parents have restarted in October. Watch this space for details of the next meeting.

Spotlight on....

Each week, we celebrate some of our shining stars who have received Headteacher Awards! Congratulations to....

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Tabasom W

Ikra T

Ava-Mae S

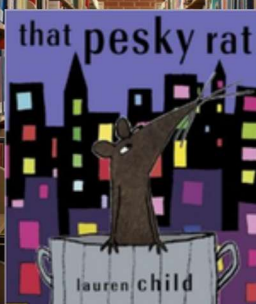
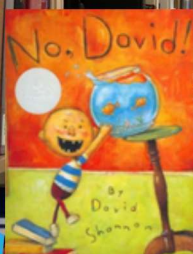
Reggie P

Staff star of the week

Miss Warwick for her adaptability and dancing feet!



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Recommended Reads....



Reminders



Please ensure your child has appropriate PE kit and removes all jewellery for PE.



Please ensure that your child leaves toys at home as these can be a distraction in class.



Please read with your child as often as possible. It benefits them in so many ways!



A note from Mrs Weir

Dates for your diary



Please note that art workshops will be taking place next half term.

19.10.26 2.30pm Badger reading cafe
21.10.26 9am Otter class assembly
21.10.26 and 22.10.26 Parents evenings
26.10.26-30.10.26 Half term break
2.11.26 Professional day for staff
3.11.26 Children return to school
4.11.26-6.11.26 Year 6 Residential trip



SEND news from Mrs Whiting

This week I would like to signpost you to some useful resources around sleep. These are specifically aimed at children with ADHD but can be used for any children that have sleep difficulties.

The advice centres around-

- Having a calming routine that stays the same every night- this needs to last 1—2 hours before bed.
- Restricting screens for at least the hour before bed as the blue light can interfere with sleep.
- Relaxation techniques
- Making sure the room is dark, quiet and comfortable. Some children might benefit from a weighted blanket.

The websites that offer more detailed advice are- [Understanding ADHD and Sleep](#) | [Kids Charity Helping Your Child with ADHD Sleep Better.pdf](#) [ADHD & Sleep: 9 Tips to Help Kids Rest Better](#) | [The ADHD Centre](#)

Spotlight on attendance



Families, thank you for your continued encouragement at home in bringing your children to school. It has been lovely to see you all and it truly makes a big difference in your child's learning and confidence.

This week's average attendance was 91.5%. The government expectation is that your child attends school for at least 96% of the school year so that they can learn.

Please note that we are unable to authorise term time absences and penalty fines may apply.

Let's keep building great habits and learning together!



If you need any help with advice or resources to help your child learn, we are here to help. Please speak to a member of staff or contact the school office.

office@howardprimary.org
Class emails
e.g. otter@howardprimary.org for Otter class



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This week we have enjoyed a few special events in Key Stage 2. As part of the Royal Ballet school celebrating 100 years, our Year 3 and 4 took part in a special ballet workshop. It was a delight to see the coordination and passion for dance shining through in the children's enthusiasm.

Did you know that 80% of cardiac arrests happen in the home? On Thursday year 3-6 learned some new skills with our visitors from the East Anglian Air Ambulance. They learned vital skills in how to deliver CPR in emergency situations. Our visitors complimented us on our great listening and willingness to have a go.

Our clothing swap shop will be available again at parents evening. This is open to everyone. Please do help yourself to any clothes that have been donated which you can use. It is free and you do not need to donate anything. However, if you do wish to donate good quality clothes that your child has grown out of, we are particularly looking for jumpers and warm coats.

Coffee and catch up will be starting again next week. This is an opportunity for parents to drop in and have a chat with each other. Shay, our student social worker, will be there to chat too.

Finally, PTA are having their AGM next Friday afternoon (23rd October) at 2pm. Sadly, it is in danger of not being able to continue as we need more volunteers to join the committee. Our PTA do a great job organising events and fundraising. If you can help, please do!



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