

# Newsletter

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



Howard Community Academy

2.10.26

Issue #04

## 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:

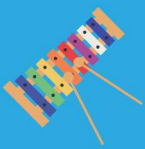
### French

Year 3 have been learning how to greet each other in French and practising the numbers to 10.

*bonjour*  
*Çava?*

### Music

Year 1 and 2 have been using glockenspiels to perform music together. In singing assembly this week we sang in parts in a round.



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....

Molly G  
Louie

Gia  
Iyla  
Island

Julian  
Elizabeth

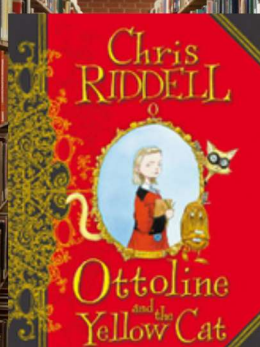
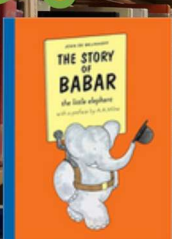
### Staff star of the week

Mrs Rouse for all her hard work and preparation behind the scenes.



Discover  
Unlock  
Enjoy

Recommended  
Reads....



## Reminders



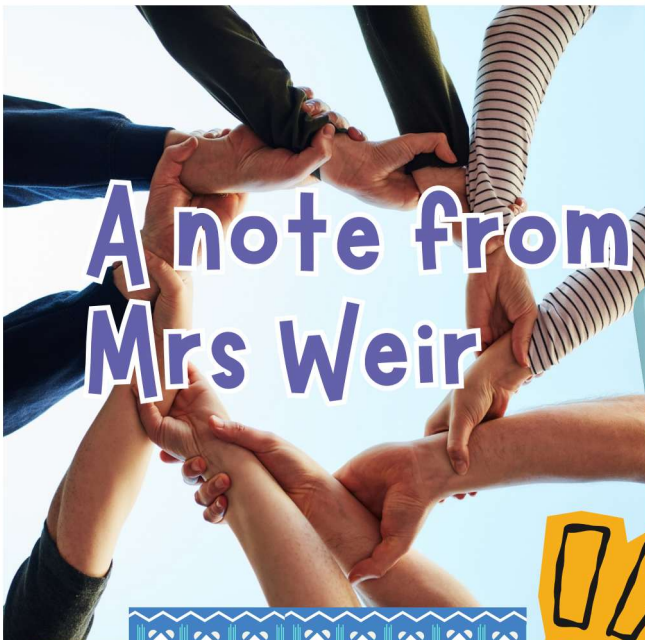
Please ensure your child has appropriate PE kit and removes all jewellery for PE.



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 the date for Badger art workshop has changed to 5.11.26

6.10.26 9am Hedgehog reading cafe  
16.10.26 2.30pm Fox reading cafe  
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



## SEND news from Mrs Whiting



It has been great to see our reading cafes taking place this week. Both Otter and Kingfisher class have been looking forward to their reading cafe and we were delighted that so many of you were able to join them.

The magic of a story is a wonder and some of my favourite memories in school have been when sharing a story or reading a book together with a child. A highlight this week was enjoying a prehistoric animals pop up book with someone in Year 3 with big smiles all round.

Reading is such an important life skill so thank you for supporting your child to read regularly. Remember, if your child reads at least four times in a week they earn a reading ticket to go into their class reading stars jar. At the end of the half term a ticket from each class is drawn from the jar for a special reading star prize.

Finally, please can I ask you to ensure that your child is not bringing in toys to school. These are unnecessary and a distraction from learning. We want to help our children focus to help them thrive.



Keep up to date with news about our learning in school, events and activities by following us on social media:

<https://www.facebook.com/HowardCAcademy>



This week I would like to signpost you to a useful website about neurodiversity. It can be accessed to support children, who have a diagnosis, are awaiting an assessment or are considering that their child might need to be assessed.

It has links to free webinars, a link to a drop in centre at Charles Place and access to phone numbers that you can use to get further support and advice.

<https://family-action.org.uk/services/west-suffolk-neurodevelopmental-support-service/>

I hope you find this helpful.



## 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 91.4%. 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.**



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