



Week commencing Monday 28th January 2019		School dinner menu: Menu Week 1
Monday 28th		Book Fair Private Music lessons with Mrs Parkes
Tuesday 29th	3.00pm	Book Fair Break-time snack- to all those that have signed up to the scheme Achievement assembly today. Class 3 outside achievements
Wednesday 30th	10.40am 4.00 – 5.00pm	Book Fair School office will be unmanned from 10.40am. Queries will be dealt with on Thursday 31 st . Class 1 & 2 Visit to the Space Centre – letters sent home Academy Choir. Please collect your children from school at 5.20
Thursday 31st		
Friday 1st February	1.50 – 3.30pm	Guitar lessons with Mr Walters Private & class lessons

PERMISSIONS, PAYMENTS AND DEADLINES

Permissions or Payments	Total Amount due	Deadline
Whitemoor Lakes Years 3 & 4	£85 £30 £25	28th February – full amount 31st January 2019 28th February
Christingle service reply class 3	£3.00	Monday 14.01.19 – reply deadline
Space Centre Class 1 & 2	£15.80	Monday 21.01.19
Care Club	Amount as charged	weekly
Dinner money	Amount as charged	weekly
Academy Choir	£30	£10 to be paid by the end of each term

*All payments should be made using ParentPay unless stated otherwise. We accept childcare vouchers and tax-free childcare payments for care club. If you wish to pay using tax-free childcare vouchers, please inform the office of your TFC reference so that we can correctly add your payments onto your ParentPay account.

School office

The school office will be unmanned on Wednesday 30th January 2019 from 10.40am. Any queries arising after this time will be dealt with on Thursday 31st January 2019. If your query is of an urgent nature, you can contact Mrs Robertson at Richard Crosse from 11am until 1pm on 01543

Book Fair

The Scholastic book fair is back again! It will be arriving at The Howard on 24th of January and will be collected on the 31st. This is a fantastic opportunity to pick up the latest books and stationary, whilst also helping us to replenish our books in school. Scholastic have offered us 100% match for match on whatever we raise. Thank you for your support.

Parent workshops

On 26th February 2019 we will be holding two parent workshops (3pm until 3.30pm).

Reception: Reading Workshop- Helping your child to read at home

Year 1: Phonics Workshop. To help parents support their child at home with the forthcoming National Phonics Screening Check in June

Green to school

Thank you to all who supported the 'Wear green to school' day on Friday 18th January 2019.

We raised £55.40. This money has already funded litter pickers that will be used in school and around the local community. The remainder will go towards other environmental resources.

Achievement Assembly in January & February

Achievements Assembly date	Out of school achievement
29.01.19	Class 3
05.02.19	Class 1
12.02.19	Class 2
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26.02.19	Class 3
05.03.19	Class 1
12.03.19	Class 2
19.03.19	Class 3
26.03.19	Class 1

Snack Wednesdays

If you would like your child to have snack in February please sign up using Parentpay.

Snack payment is now available for February. Please note that these are individual items on parentpay, and each month must be paid as an individual item.

If your child would like to take advantage of this break-time snack, then there will be a monthly charge of £3.50.

Payments MUST be made on 'ParentPay' before the start of each month. We will not be able to add children onto the snack scheme once the month has started so they would have to wait until the next month to be able to take part in the scheme.

The snacks for each month are as follows:

Month	Snack
February	Heart shaped biscuit
March	Banana & Apple Smoothie

What the classes have done this week

Class 1: Class 1 have had another super week. In Maths we have all been looking at capacity and in English we have based our writing on the 'Man on the Moon' by Simon Bartram. We have also started our History topic for this term on The Moon Landing.

Well done Class 1.

Class 2: This week we have started learning about space in English. We have made moon sand, written questions for Tim Peake and taken part in a cosmic lesson. In Maths, we have started learning about division. We started by learning to share and group and are going to move on to introducing the division symbol.

Class 3: This week we have created our own mythical beasts and will be writing information texts based on these. We have also been out to St Mary's church in Stafford for a 50th Birthday celebration for the Christingle, we created our own Christingle, learnt new songs and raised money for "The Children Society". We have also worked with Dr Ant this week on the next stage of our car build.

Howard Racing

Work on the racing car is going well. If you would like to follow the childrens progress, please follow the links below to see what they have been upto this week.

Here's this week's video diary from the pupils:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N9PEReZTLBY>

And the twitter account also has a few photos from this week's session:

<https://twitter.com/TheHowardRacing>

Attendance

Congratulations to Reception, years 3, 4 & 6 who all achieved 100% attendance for week commencing Monday 14th January 2019

The Small Schools Multi Academy Trust			Trust Attendance
Attendance for week commencing Monday 14th January 2019			Target 97%
	St. Mary's	Richard Crosse	Howard
Reception	96.38	96.47	93.33
Year 1	88.00	98.57	97.14
Year 2	97.14	94.00	98.18
Year 3	93.33	93.68	100.00
Year 4	99.37	93.33	100.00
Year 5	94.00	95.79	82.50
Year 6	99.23	100.00	100.00
Whole School	96.53	95.74	96.07



Bags2School

The school has now signed up to a collection clothes recycling service for any unwanted clothes, soft toys etc. There will be a bag sent home with your child next week so if you have any clothes lying around the Christmas clear out then please send them into school for the collection which will be on the 8th Feb. The details are written on the bag of what is accepted. Any clothes that have already been donated have been stored in the shed which will all be donated on collection day. Any additional bags needed will be in reception- donate as many as you can!!!

100 Club

Entries for the 2019 '100 club' are now open!!! The cost is £24 per number for the year with a monthly prize draw to win two cash prizes- the more people play the bigger the prize pot!! please contact Anna on 07713487826 to sign up!

Thank you to everyone for supporting our PTA events in 2018- we'd like to share how we've been spending the funds we've raised through our PTA events.

Since September, PTA funds have purchased:

- Outdoor giant games & equipment
- Bike and scooter racks
- Snacks for the pantomime trip

During the first term of 2019, the PTA will be paying for:

- Slime Workshops for each year group during Science Week
- Author visit from Steve Smallman (author and illustrator of books such as 'Monkey with a Bright Blue Bottom' and 'The Very Greedy Bee')
- First Aid and Basic Lifesaving courses for both pupils and parents

Our first fundraising event of 2019 will be a Valentine's Popcorn Party on 14th February. Consent forms will be coming home next week so please encourage your children to attend, as every penny goes to school funds. If any parents are able to help after school on the 14th Feb, we would love to hear from you- please speak to Anna Crutchley, Louise Payne, Ameer Denyer-Smith or Philippa Wood.

Easy Fundraising

Just go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/howardps. Log in and type in the name of the retailer and you will be taken to the retailer's website. The donation is made behind the scenes and the Friends benefit. It's really that simple!

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Howard Website	www.howard.staffs.sch.uk

Important dates 2018 -2019

Please note these dates are subject to change

January 2019	
Wednesday 30 th	Class 1 & 2 trip to Space centre – letters sent home
February	
Wednesday 13 th	Manchester Camerata – details to follow
Wednesday 13 th	Parents Evening – details to follow
Thursday 14 th	Friends Valentines popcorn party 3.30 – 5.30pm more details to follow
Friday 15 th	Break up for February half term – 3.30pm
Monday 25 th	Children and staff return to school
Tuesday 26 th	Reception & Year 1 workshops – details above
Wednesday 27 th	Balance bikes – more details to follow
March	
Wednesday 6 th	Balance bikes – more details to follow
Thursday 7 th	World Book Day details to follow
Wednesday 13 th	Balance bikes – more details to follow
Friday 15 th	Comic Relief
Wednesday 20 th	Balance bikes – more details to follow
Thursday 21 st	Year 1 & 2 sleepover – letter sent home
Friday 22 nd	Years 1 & 2 non uniform day. 2pm collection Reception, Years 1, 2 & 3 teddy bears picnic
April	
Tuesday 2 – Wednesday 3 rd	Years 3 & 4 Whitemoor Lakes Residential – letters sent home
Thursday 11 th	Easter service at St Peters – 2pm
Friday 12 th	School closes to children and staff
Monday 15 th – Friday 26 th	Easter holidays
Monday 29 th	Children and staff return to school
May	
Monday 6 th	Mayday bank holiday – School closed to children and staff

Friday 24 th May	School closes to children and staff
Monday 27 th – Friday 7 th June	School closed to children and staff
June	
Monday 10 th	Children and staff return to school
July	
Monday 15 th	End of year church service 1.45pm
Tuesday 16 th – Thursday 18 th	Borth Year 6
Friday 19 th	School closes to students