



Week commencing Monday 25th February 2019		School dinner menu: Menu Week 1
Monday 25th	8.30am	School re opens to students and staff Private Music lessons with Mrs Parkes
Tuesday 26th	3.00-3.30pm	Parent workshops Reception Reading workshop Year 1 Phonics workshop NO Achievement assembly today
Wednesday 27th	4.00 – 5.00pm	Break-time snack- to all those that have signed up to the scheme Parents evening Please speak to the office if you still require an appointment Academy Choir
Thursday 28th	3.00-4.00pm	SATS booster for year 6
Friday 1st March	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	£85	28th February – full amount
Years 3 & 4	£25	28th February
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.

We would just like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy halfterm break. We look forward to seeing you all on Monay 25th February 2019.

Class 2's half term homework

Year 2 and 3 have been given a list of spellings to practise over the half term holiday. Please could you practise using the words in sentences and on the Spelling Shed app.

Year 2 have been given all 3 CGP books. Please complete the next test in each book.

Please bring homework back into school on Monday 25th February 2019



Press Release

The children at the Howard Primary School are featuring in several press releases this week for some of the wonderful things they are doing. Please keep your eyes peeled in this week's Tamworth Herald and a press release in Warwickshire newspaper too.

Goblin Car

The children in year 5 & 6 have made the press in Warwickshire all thanks to the Goblin Car they are building. Please use this link to see the press release. How exciting!

https://warwick.ac.uk/newsandevents/pressreleases/primary_school_children

Author Visit

Featured in this week's Tamworth Herald.



Road Closure

From 25th February 2019 Coton Lane, Tamworth will be closed for 16 days. Please be aware if travelling to school from this direction

School uniform

Please ensure all children are wearing the correct uniform each day, with shirts tucked in with ties on – thank you



School Office

Please be reminded that the school office is unmanned from 1.00pm each day. Please make care club arrangements with Mrs Robertson before this time. If your query is of an urgent nature Miss Bolton at Richard Crosse can get a message over to the staff at The Howard, but this should only happen when your query is of an urgent nature. All other queries should be dealt with during office hours 8.15am – 1.00pm



World Book Day

Please all be reminded that on Thursday 7th March we will be participating in World Book Day. Please come to school dressed as your favourite book character. We look forward to seeing you all.

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.

Please return the slips to let us know if you are attending.

Achievement Assembly in February & March

Achievements Assembly date	Out of school achievement
05.03.19	Class 1 & 3
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
April	Chocolate dipped fruits

What the classes have done this week

Class 1: Class 1 have had another enjoyable week. In Math's, Year 1 have continued to look at time and in English they composed and wrote their own stories about Space. Their written work was amazing and I so proud of them all! Reception have also been working super hard this week, applying their phonic knowledge in both reading and writing. Their letter formation is also improving everyday! Well done and enjoy your break.

Class 2: This week, we have been writing stories based on The Way Back Home by Oliver Jeffers. We have created our own endings for the stories as well. In Maths we've been learning to add and subtract fractions, find equivalent fractions and find fractions of numbers. We've also attended the Manchester Camerata event which we all thoroughly enjoyed.

Class 3: This week, we have completed our Ancient Greek pots and they look fabulous!! In History we have continued to learn about Ancient Greece and looked at the history of the Olympics.

We have been busy in maths this week completing some tricky problem solving - take a look at our new maths display. In English, we have written our own version of Heracles' 13th labour - featuring new and gruesome beasts. Another busy week - wishing you all a lovely half term.

Howard Racing

Work on the racing car is going well. If you would like to follow the children's progress, please follow the links below to see what they have been up to 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 year 1 and year 5 all achieved 100% attendance for week commencing Monday 4th February 2019

The Small Schools Multi Academy Trust			Trust Attendance
Attendance for week commencing Monday 4th February 2019			Target 97%
	St. Mary's	Richard Crosse	Howard
Reception	85.51	98.82	83.33
Year 1	94.00	95.71	100.00
Year 2	97.14	98.00	94.55
Year 3	100.00	97.89	98.00
Year 4	100.00	96.67	98.18
Year 5	100.00	98.95	100.00
Year 6	89.23	92.31	90.00
Whole School	94.73	97.13	95.90

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www.nationalforestteachingschool.co.uk/teach



Join us at our next information evening. Dates are available on our website.



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!

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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Important dates 2018 -2019

Please note these dates are subject to change

February	
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 – letters sent home
March	
Tuesday 5 th	Years 5 & 6 visit to Warwick University Advanced Propulsion Centre 8.30 – 4.30pm More details to follow
Wednesday 6 th	Balance bikes – letters sent home
Wednesday 6 th	Whitemoor Lakes Parents meeting at Richard Crosse at 5.30pm
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 – letters sent home
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
Tuesday 26 th	Author visit class 1 & 2 Steve Smallman
April	
Monday 1 st	Health & Wellbeing day – all pupils to come dressed in PE Kit
Tuesday 2 – Wednesday 3 rd	Years 3 & 4 Whitemoor Lakes Residential – letters sent home
Friday 5 th	Non-uniform day in exchange for chocolate
Thursday 11 th	Easter service at St Peters – 2pm
Thursday 11 th	Chocolate bingo 5.30pm start – more details to follow
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
Monday 13 th	SATs week
Friday 17 th	Year 6 visit to the Adventure Farm
Wednesday 22 nd	Mayday celebrations with May Queen
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
Wednesday 19 th	Race Day Green car – more details to follow
Monday 24 th	Sports Day

July	
Friday 12 th	Summer Fayre
Monday 15 th	End of year church service 1.45pm
Tuesday 16 th – Thursday 18th	Borth Year 6
Friday 19 th	School closes to students