

25th March 2022

How Wood Newsletter 3 Spring 2



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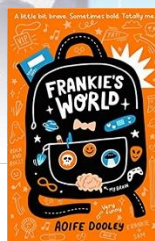
Mrs Rowland (Parent Governor) has been busy updating our website with curriculum overviews for English, Maths, History, Geography, Art & Design, Design and Technology. These updates can be found under the Curriculum tab. Further information for each class can be found on the Class pages which the teachers update regularly.

Parent View

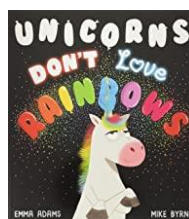
Thank you to those parents & carers who have completed the Ofsted Parent View survey.

Here is the link for the survey
<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>
where you will also find a simple registration process.

NEURODIVERSITY CELEBRATION WEEK



The children have explored neurodiversity this week through various stories. Key Stage 2 have been reading Frankie's World, a graphic novel about standing-out and fitting-in when you feel different.



EYFS and Key Stage 1 explored a different storybook each day. Each story had a different neurodiversity focus.



STAFFING

Mrs. Warner is expecting a baby and will be starting her maternity leave at the end of the summer term. We are currently recruiting for September.

Welcome to Emily Taylor who is the new Head Teacher's Admin Assistant.

We are still looking for a part-time cleaner. Application forms can be collected from the school office

REACH OUT FOR REFUGEES

With the support of the How Wood School community, we raised an amazing £466.50 for this very worthy cause. Thank you. In total to date, £13,500 has been donated by schools across St Albans.

RED NOSE DAY

GRAND TOTAL - £284! Thank you, thank you, and thank you!

Next Week at How Wood

Tuesday - Year 6 Trip to Mile Stones Victorian Village

Thursday - Year 5 Trip to the British Museum

Friday - PTA Easter Egg Hunt

DRESS DOWN FRIDAY

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Friday 25th March - Jungle Book Pantomime

Tuesday 29th March - Y6 Trip to Mile Stones Victorian Village

Thursday 31st March - Y5 Trip to the British Museum

Friday 1st April - End of term 1.30pm finish

Easter Holidays - Monday 4th April to Monday 18th April

Tuesday 19th April - Back to school

Thursday 21st April - Y4 Hudnall Park 1-night residential

Wednesday 27th April - Year 6 Show Racism the Red Card at Watford FC Event

Thursday 5th May - School closed- Polling Station

Friday 6th May - Drama4All workshops -EYFS/KS1

Monday 9th May - SATs Week

Wednesday 11th May - Year 5 to PGL two night residential

Thursday 12th May - Year 4 to Hampton Court

Monday 16th May - Year 6 to the Isle of Wight four night residential

Friday 20th May - Celebration of World Day for Cultural Diversity

Tuesday 24th May - 'SPLASH!' Year 3/4 Production Dress Rehearsal @ 9.30am

Wednesday 25th May - 'SPLASH!' Year 3/4 Production @ 5.30pm

Thursday 26th May - Jubilee Celebration Day. Details to follow

Friday 27th May - Occasional Day - school closed

Half-term - Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June

CHILDREN OF COURAGE AWARDS



Everyone at How Wood wants to congratulate and say a HUGE WELL DONE to Michael who won the Ricky O'Shea Bravery Award at the Children Courage Awards 2022.

Michael has such a champion attitude to everything and we are all immensely proud of him.

PRAISE POSTCARDS



Look out for Praise Post Cards arriving next week!



STAFF APPRECIATION BOARD

"Thank you Mrs Barnes for helping the kids catch up since lockdown and helping us cover what they've missed whilst being off sick since. Excellent job and always with a smile :)"

Gem Hagan

I received a heart-warming letter from a parent and I would like to share a small part of it in appreciation of the **whole staff team** at How Wood.

"The systems in place at How Wood are exceptional; not only in the way the curriculum is delivered but the way the school communicates with parents. ...this appears to be down to excellent management and a dedicated, motivated staff body."

Miss Bliss

Please send your appreciation message to:
head@howwood.herts.sch.uk
Thank you