



NEWS & VIEWS

Explore Discover Learn

Headteacher: Mr R Watson



Headteacher's Comment:

Dear Parents/Carers

Another busy week at Hogarth has culminated in a wonderful whole-school experience, with everyone participating in a "Welly Walk" to the woods. There, the children witnessed a beautiful display of nature hidden within. The children were in awe of the bluebells and were able to compare and contrast how the seasons had changed since their last visit. This opportunity was a great way for the community to come together, enabling family members and our older children to support our younger ones. These events cannot happen without your support, so thank you for volunteering your time.

This week, the children also came together in a sea of red and white to celebrate St George, the patron saint of England. As part of the British values we teach, it is important for us to mark these occasions and listen to stories from the past. The heroic tales of St George also link closely with our own school values at Hogarth.

You will have received an email this week about the Sunflower Competition, along with a potted sunflower courtesy of Mr Ayres. This is an exciting, long-standing competition within the Trust's primary schools. We have always competed well, and it certainly creates a buzz among the children. Having won the staff competition (with a little support from my mum, before anyone says otherwise!), the healthy competition has been fantastic. Lenny has always led from the front and is looking to win for the third year on the trot—let's see who can challenge him this year.

I would also like to wish our young runners the very best of luck as they take part in the Children's London Marathon this Saturday. What a monumental experience it will be, with the chance to complete the 2.6 km route along The Mall, finishing just as the professional and fun runners will do on Sunday. I would also like to wish Sebastian's (Year 6) sister and grandad the best of luck as they run for the charity Sense, raising money for this incredible cause. This will be Bob's 29th marathon at the remarkable age of 80—truly an inspiration to us all.

Next week, I have another support meeting with the Essex Attendance Team to discuss the impact lateness has on attendance and how our school's policy is implemented. I hope to share more details with you in the coming weeks. Please remember, if your child is absent or running late, it is your responsibility to inform us—this will also save our office team a great deal of time making follow-up calls.

The weekend ahead looks set to be sunny and warm, and I hope you are able to make the most of it. I will be off to watch Saracens play and will be hoping for Manchester City to slip up at some point!



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Stars of the Week

RB	1/2F	1/2KC	2Y
Mariam	Willow	Ava L	Jasleen
3H	4C	5H	6C
Param	Vince	Isabel	Scarlett



Mr Watson's Superstar Award –

James H (6C) – for always displaying such a positive, supportive and friendly manner.



Reading at Home –

	Table shows actual number and rounded percentages of children reading at home						% 3 and more	% 4 & 5	% not reading
	Week Ending 23 rd April 2026								
	Times Read								
	0	1	2	3	4	5			
RB	3	1	4	4	3	8	65%	48%	13%
1/2KC	2	0	4	1	2	9	67%	61%	11%
1/2F	2	2	2	5	1	7	68%	42%	11%
2Y	0	1	0	10	6	9	96%	54%	0%
3H	1	0	5	5	9	9	79%	62%	3%
4C	1	1	0	7	5	11	92%	64%	4%
5H	1	0	1	7	11	8	93%	68%	4%
6C	0	0	0	10	6	11	100%	63%	0%



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Weekly Attendance

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Class	RB	1/2F	1/2KC	2Y	Whole school
Attendance	95%	97%	93%	91%	
					93%
Class	3H	4C	5H	6C	
Attendance	92%	92%	97%	93%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1/2F / 5H	RB	1/2KC / 6C



Yearly Attendance

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Class	RB	1/2F	1/2KC	2Y	Whole school
Attendance	90%	92%	91%	95%	
					94%
Class	3H	4C	5H	6C	
Attendance	94%	94%	96%	93%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
5H	2Y	3H / 4C

Literacy Word of the Week	Reception	Year 1	Year 2
	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
sinuous	weary	impenetrable	ominously

Maths Word of the Week	Reception	Year 1	Year 2
	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
pattern	mixed number	degrees	perimeter



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Diary Dates

Wednesday 29 April – Year 3 Trip to Broxsted Hill Farm

Monday 4 May – May Day Bank Holiday

Wednesday 6 May – Year 4 Viking Experience Trip

Wednesday 6 May – 1/2KC Class Assembly

Thursday 7 May – Don Rae Dance Workshops

Monday 11 May – SAT's Week

Tuesday 19 May - Hertfordshire Zoo Trip

Thursday 21 May – Year 5 – Brentwood School for performance of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

Friday 22 May – Break the Rules Day

Friday 22 May – Last Day of Half Term.

Monday 1 June – Return to School

Tuesday 9 June – Reception Dental Check

Wednesday 10 June – 2026/27 Reception intake meeting - 17.00

Monday 15 June – Year 6 Residential to Stubbers

Wednesday 17 June – Year 6 Children Return

Thursday 18 June – Book Fair

Friday 19 June – Book fair

Tuesday 23 June – KS1/EYFS Sports Day AM

Tuesday 23 June – KS2 Sports Day PM

Friday 26 June – Don in

Thursday 2 July – Hogarth Fest 15.30 – 18.00

Tuesday 7 July – Reception 26/27 Meet and Greet sessions

Wednesday 8 July - Reception 26/27 Meet and Greet sessions

Wednesday 8 July – Sponsored Walk – 14.00

Thursday 9 July – Reception 26/27 – Stay and Play

Friday 10 July – Reception Trip to King Georges Park



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