



NEWS & VIEWS

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Headteacher: Mr R Watson



Headteacher's Comment:

Dear Parents/Carers

This week has been SATs week at Hogarth — a time when our Year 6 children sit their first formal educational examinations under strict conditions. The young adults of our school have completed six test papers throughout the week, and I, for one, could not be prouder of them.

They have shown resilience beyond their years, facing inference, fractions and ratio questions that would challenge the whole school community! Not once have I witnessed one of our pupils feel overwhelmed or stressed, as they have been exceptionally well prepared by the staff here at Hogarth.

Whatever the outcome of these results when they are published in July, the children are already a credit to the school. They have grown enormously as individuals, and their personal success — which cannot always be measured in a test — has been phenomenal. I would like to thank the children for giving their very best, and the staff who have given their own time to provide our children with the best possible opportunity to succeed.

In other positive news, Hogarth Primary School has been shortlisted for the Essex Teaching Awards in the category of *Making a Difference Primary School*. This is a huge accomplishment for a school that, just over three years ago, almost failed its Ofsted inspection. With over 520 primary schools in Essex, it is a great honour to be invited to the awards ceremony in the hope of winning this coveted award.

The ceremony takes place on Wednesday 17 June at Hylands House, and hopefully we will be able to share even more positive news with you all in the *News and Views* that week.

This week, I have asked some members of the PTA to be our guinea pigs as the school prepares to roll out a new school app. This app is designed to keep all of our administration and communication in one place, while also reducing the cost of the many products we currently use. The app is being introduced across all schools within the trust, and I am hoping that we can launch it fully after half term, once the PTA team has helped us identify any bugs.

Initially, the new app will function as a communication and absence-reporting tool, but we hope that, in time, once everyone is registered, we will also be able to use it for payments, clubs and much more. The app is called *My Child at School (Bromcom)*, so if you would like to download it in advance, you will be ready for the changeover. More details will follow next week, but we hope this will improve communication and make payments much easier.

The PTA and myself will also be on hand to support the rollout, so please do feel free to ask for support if needed.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a lovely weekend. My head certainly needs a break after tackling the app this week — I think I need a lie down in a dark room to reset! I have no doubt that one of our Year 6 children would have worked it out much quicker than I did.



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Stars of the Week

RB	1/2F	1/2KC	2Y
Logan	Ella-Rose	Amalia	Penelope
3H	4C	5H	6C
Blake	Kyri	Kai	Whole Class



Mr Watson's Superstar Award –

All of year 6 for their positive behaviour and attitude while on their class trip to the park today.



Reading at Home -

	Table shows actual number and rounded percentages of children reading at home						% 3 and more	% 4 & 5	% not reading
	Week Ending 14 May 2026								
	Times Read								
	0	1	2	3	4	5			
RB	3	0	5	3	3	8	64%	50%	14%
1/2KC	1	2	2	3	1	9	72%	56%	6%
1/2F	0	3	2	4	0	10	74%	53%	0%
2Y	0	0	0	10	5	10	100%	60%	0%
3H	0	0	0	10	12	9	100%	68%	0%
4C	1	0	1	9	5	7	91%	52%	4%
5H	5	1	0	7	2	13	79%	54%	18%
6C	SATs Week								



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Weekly Attendance

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Class	RB	1/2F	1/2KC	2Y	Whole school
Attendance	90%	91%	91%	90%	
Class	3H	4C	5H	6C	
Attendance	91%	93%	96%	97%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
6C	5H	4C



Yearly Attendance

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

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
5H	2Y	3H

Literacy Word of the Week	Reception	Year 1	Year 2
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
prophecy	blizzard	erratic	resilient

Maths Word of the Week	Reception	Year 1	Year 2
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
equivalent	hundredths	vertices	ratio



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Diary Dates

Tuesday 19 May - Hertfordshire Zoo Trip

Tuesday 19 May – Year 6 Residential Meeting - 17.00

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

Friday 22 May – Make 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

Tuesday 30 June – 14.00 - Reception end of Year Celebration – Parents welcome

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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