

Dear Parents,

The "dash for Christmas" has started and preparations are well under way. Alongside the festive activities are several other items that I need to inform you about.

RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL

We would like to invite you to an information evening about the Rights of the Child.

Honeywell Junior School is a Rights Respecting School and we are committed to upholding the Rights of the Child set out by the United Nations Convention. Last year we achieved the Silver Award for this and this year we would like to achieve Gold.

Please come to hear more about RRSa on Monday 26th November 2018 in the middle hall from 6.30pm to 7.30pm.

We would like to see as many parents as possible as we need you on our journey.

The children are very involved in the decision making of our goals and they are enthusiastic and committed to making the world a better place.

Please email Hilly Bryde if you can attend the information evening:

hilly.bryde@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk

Article 7 (birth registration, name, nationality, care)

Every child has the right to be registered at birth, to have a name and nationality, and, as far as possible, to know and be cared for by their parents.

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH



The school Christmas lunch will take place on Wednesday 28th November. If your child normally brings a packed lunch to school, but would like to have a Christmas lunch on this day, please book this on Wisepay – See below

WISEPAY

Parents /carers can pay for lunches, clubs, trips AND book their parents evening appointment using the Wise Pay facility.

To set up your Wise Pay account please visit the schools' website:

www.honeywellschools.org

SHOPPING EVENT

Thank you to all the parents who turned up last night to shop at the Christmas Shopping Evening. The event was brilliantly organised by Minsi Rucker and her team. It was a hugely enjoyable evening and raised considerable sums of money for the schools.

OPEN MORNINGS

Thank you to the many parents who gave up their time to help with the Open Mornings. They, along with the outstanding pupil guides, ensured that the mornings progressed very smoothly and were very successful. Indeed, we had the largest number of visitors on record (150+) and all were extremely complimentary.

BOOK FAIR

The school will be holding a Book Fair after school on Monday, 19th, Tuesday 20th Wednesday 21st in the Infant hall. We receive a generous commission so if you would like to buy additional books, all money raised is spent on reading books for the school.

NORTHCOTE LIGHTS

The Northcote Christmas Lights will be switched on next Friday 23rd November. There will be lots of activities for children and the Junior School Choir will be singing Christmas Carols. The fun starts from 4.30pm with the lights "switch on" planned for 5.30p.m. There will also be a Christmas Market on Sunday 25th November.

PTFA NEWS

For information about forthcoming events. Please check the PTFA website at: www.honeywellptfa.org.uk
We hope to see you at the following events:

1) FLEXINTHECITY

-Tuesday 27th November - 7-8pm Infant Hall

Apple Class are holding a fun and invigorating fitness class to be led by our very own PT Leyla! No experience or level of fitness required at all. You can buy your ticket on Classlist for £11 or look out for tickets on sale in the playground - £10 each, all proceeds to the PTFA.

2) CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

- Friday 7th December 3.30-6pm

Preparations are well underway for the annual festive extravaganza!

Sweets Wanted

5R are looking for donations of unwanted, wrapped sweets. Please send into Ms Williams in 5R.

Donations Please

Reps will soon be looking for donations of new toys for the toy tombola, good quality used children's books and DVDs, good quality used handbags and jewellery. Please have a rummage and see if you can help by donating.

Santa's Grotto

Tickets are now on sale on Classlist for timed slots to Santa's Grotto. Hurry to book your slot before they sell out. Tickets are £4.26 each. Tickets will be available to purchase online, while stocks last, until 7.30pm 29th November. After that any remaining tickets will be sold outside the school at drop off and pick up.

3) CHRISTMAS TREE SALE - Order NOW, (Closing date 26th NOT 30th) for collection/delivery on Saturday 8th Dec

4) PROMISES AUCTION - Friday 22nd March 2019 - WE NEED PROMISES PLEASE!

All the tables have sold out already! We are now looking for lots of promises to make this event as exciting and profitable as possible - all funds raised will go towards the much-needed renovation of the Junior Playground and for Infant School STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) equipment.

The Pledge form can be downloaded [here](#).

Please complete this as soon as possible and email it to honeywellpromisesauction@gmail.com.

The deadline for donations is 14th January 2019 and so we need lots of donations NOW please (before we all get completely swamped by Christmas!) We welcome all donations however big or small!

LOST PROPERTY

All lost property will be placed in the Junior playground on Friday, 16th November from 3.15 – 4.00. Any unclaimed items will then be sent to the local charity shops.

In the event of rain, the lost property will be displayed in the Middle Hall.

SHOEBOX APPEAL

A sincere thank you to all those parents and children who sent in shoe boxes full of presents. We collected 123 boxes which will soon be sent off to families in Serbia and Bulgaria. This was a very impressive effort on behalf of the school community and reflects very well on the school.

SUCCESS STORY

Netball

In the last two weeks the school netball teams have been excelling.

The Yr 5 teams played in the tournament at Thomas's and did very well indeed. The Blue team won five matches, drew one and lost one which meant that they were joint second in their group. Sadly, our goal difference was not quite as good as Fulham Prep's who progressed to the semi-final.

The yellow team finished 6th in their group but this masks how well they played. They improved throughout the tournament and despite finding themselves in a very tough group, they continued to give 100% effort in every single match

Chris, our sports coach, remarked "I'm delighted we took the two teams - both really improved today and we know that they will take that with them moving forward."

A sincere thank you to Chris, Sarah our netball coach and to our many supporters.

STOP PRESS

I have just received this information from Sarah about the school netball team: Honeywell finished second in the league behind The Roche school, which is an amazing achievement and one that ALL our players should be proud of. Well done to all!

NITS, NITS, NITS

The nits meeting has now been rescheduled for Friday 23rd November at 9.15am in the Infant Hall. Please come along to find out how to spot nits and keep them at bay. The session will be led by Charlotte Brinkley and ex Honeywell parent and real life lice assassin!

RECEPTION AND NURSERY ADMISSIONS

Now is the time for parents to think about Nursery and Reception places for 2019. If you wish to apply for a nursery place please complete the school application and return to the school office by 8th February 2019.

Applications for Reception places for September 2019 should be made to Wandsworth by Tuesday 15th January 2019.



STOP PRESS

Well done to all those who came to school wearing spots and/or stripes. We raised £272 for the Children in Need Charity. Thank you!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Nov	Event/Activity
Mon 19	School Book Fair starts
Fri 23	Northcote Christmas Fair – Honeywell choir performing
Mon 26	RRSA presentation to parents 6.30 - 7.30 pm Middle Hall.
Tue 27	PTFA event “FlexintheCity”
Wed 28	School Christmas lunch
Dec	Event/Activity
Wed 5	School Panto to children: Yrs 3+4 in the morning, Yrs 5 + 6 in the afternoon.
Fri 7	Christmas Bazaar 3.30 – 6.00pm (no clubs)
Sat 8	Christmas tree sale
Tue 11	Governors’ meeting at 6.30pm
Wed 12	Mistletoe and Holly sale in the Infants playground 3.00pm.
Thur 13	Yrs 3 + 4 Nativity production at St. Luke’s Church Mistletoe and Holly sale in the Infants playground 3.00pm
Fri 14	Clubs finish
Mon 17	Christmas parties for children
Thur 20	Yrs 5 +6 Carol Concert at St. Luke’s Church
Fri 21	Finish for the Christmas holidays at 3.30pm
Jan	Event/Activity
Mon 7	Staff INSET Day
Tue 8	Children return to school

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