

#### Dear Parents

Welcome back to Honeywell and may I take this opportunity to wish a Happy New Year to you and your family.

Also, on behalf of the staff, I would like to thank you for the many generous gifts, cards and kind words that we received at the end of the term. It was most kind of you. Thank you so much.

#### SAFEGUARDING

I hope that you like the new signs that are around the school; I have to say that I think they are excellent. The new signage is also to help visitors and parents enter/exit the schools from the correct point as in the past adults have been unsure how to get to the schools' Office and have sometimes found themselves in other parts of the schools.



As from Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> January the Junior school double gates will no longer be opened or closed electronically by the Office. Instead the gates will be manually opened at 8.50 each day and closed at 9.05 and then opened again at 3.25 and closed at 3.45.

Entrance outside these times will **only** be via the small side gate leading into the Junior playground: this will be the main (official) entrance to the school.

Finally, during the staff training day on Monday, all the staff considered the revised procedures for both fire and "lock down" alarms.

The school has invested in new "state of the art" alarms and the staff familiarised themselves with the new procedures.

#### PARENTS' EVENINGS

This term's parents' evenings take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> February and will provide an

opportunity for parents to see their children's work and to discuss their child's progress.

Parents need to note that these evenings are again to be booked using the WisePay portal, - please see below.

Note: Parent/carers of children who are on the SEND register should contact the SEND team directly by email NOT WisePay to arrange a meeting. The SEND email address is: [junior.sen@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk](mailto:junior.sen@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk)

#### WISE PAY

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

<http://www.honeywellschools.org>

#### PTFA NEWS

Thank you to all the parents who worked so hard to make the end of term Christmas events so special. All the activities were greatly appreciated by the staff and children. The next PTFA meeting is on Wednesday 16 January at 7.30 in the staffroom.

The first PTFA event of 2019 is a special Yoga Night which will take place on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January from 6.45 – 8.00pm.

On Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> March 3L parents have arranged for a Swedercise evening class to raise funds for the PTFA. The event will take place from 7 – 8 p.m.

#### The Promises Auction is on Friday 22nd March 2019 and 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](mailto:honeywellpromisesauction@gmail.com).** The deadline for donations is 14th January 2019 so we need lots of donations NOW please. We welcome all donations however big or small!

Please check the PTFA website for further details:

[www.honeywellptfa.org.uk](http://www.honeywellptfa.org.uk)

## HOUSE CHAMPIONS

Well done to NORTHCOTE House for being House champions last term. The boys and girls of NORTHCOTE gained 311 house points with BROOMWOOD house in 2<sup>nd</sup> place scoring 304 and NIGHTINGALE 3<sup>rd</sup> scoring 278 house points.

## LOST PROPERTY

Lost property will be displayed in the Junior playground (Middle Hall if the weather is wet) from 3.20 - 3.45 on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January. Any unclaimed items will then be taken to the local charity shops.

## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES 2018-19

Last term the Governors agreed on the following priorities for the school:

1. To increase the % of children achieving GD in Mathematics, Reading and in Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation.
2. To conclude the development of the Foundation subjects so ensuring that there is a broad, balanced and stimulating curriculum for all pupils.
3. To continue to strive to provide an outstanding education for all children. Focussing on the safeguarding of children, the teaching of Sex and Relationship Education within the Science Curriculum, the review of the teaching of Computing and the development of the Rights Respecting School agenda

Parents and Carers will shortly receive a letter from me detailing the work already undertaken to ensure that these School Improvement Priorities are met.

## SPORT

### Spencer CC Expression of Interest:

With the cricket season starting shortly, Spencer Cricket Club have asked if any Honeywell children in Yrs 4,5,6 are keen to sign up to their weekly training sessions. If you have a son or daughter who is keen, please email Chris so that she can pass on their email addresses.

Chris and the school's sport department can be contacted on [sport@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk](mailto:sport@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk)

It would certainly benefit Honeywell's future school cricket teams if more children played for a club out of school. Training times can be viewed on the Spencer Cricket Club website and our understanding is that there are bursaries available for children who show potential.

### Sport Squad Training:

All squads will resume training next week, starting on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> January with the usual training times. Any new information and team lists will be displayed on the Sports Noticeboards by the end of this week.

### Spring Fixtures:

There is a revised fixtures list for the Spring Term, displayed on the Sports Noticeboards, and on Honeywell's website. Whist this is subject to change based on weather, it will give you an indication of planned events this term.

## SWIMMING

Swimming for Yr 4 starts on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> January and concludes on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> March. Parents/carers of those pupils will be informed by the class teachers what will be needed for the swimming lessons.

## SCHOOL CLUBS

The school clubs will begin in the week of Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January. If parents have any questions about the provision of the clubs, please contact Adam in the Office.

## ADMISSION TO HONEYWELL, SEPTEMBER 2018 A REMINDER

Parents of children applying for a place in Nursery/Reception need to note that the closing date is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019 for Reception places and 8<sup>th</sup> February for Nursery places.

## MOBILE PHONES

Can I remind parents/carers that pupils are not to bring mobile phones to school unless there are exceptional circumstances? Parents of children in Yrs 5 & 6 should contact the Headteacher directly to get permission for the child to bring the phone to school. If permission is granted then the phone should be handed into the classteacher at the start of the day and collected at 3.30: I am afraid that the school cannot accept any responsibility for loss or damage to the phone.

Finally, I must state that the phone is not to be used on the school site before or after school as it compromises the school's e-safety requirements.

## RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL

As you know the school is committed to the Rights Respecting School agenda and we would like parents to follow this up at home.

If you have time please discuss with your children the following RRS Article we would be grateful.

### Article 19

Article 19 (protection from violence, abuse and neglect) Governments must do all they can to ensure that children are protected from all forms of violence, abuse, neglect and bad treatment by their parents or anyone else who looks after them

## YEAR 6 HEIGHTS AND WEIGHTS

As part of a National programme all children in Reception and Yr 6 have their height and weight measured. A letter with further details will be sent out to all Year 6 parents shortly. If you do not wish your child to participate please send back the opt-out section of the form.



## SUCCESS STORY

Well done to our indoor Athletics team who competed in the Wandsworth competition this week.

Honeywell were placed first or second in all our track events (7 golds, 5 silvers) and the school delivered consistently across the field events to boost our overall score.

Honeywell were placed third overall (just missing out by 2 points on second place to Granard) with Sacred Heart School the overall winners. This was a fantastic result as Athletics is not a sport that we have traditionally done well in.

You can see from the smiles that the children had fun and enjoyed the event immensely.

As always, an enormous thank you to the parents who came to support and transport our athletes, we can't do it without you!

A more detailed report will shortly be added to Sports Blog

<https://www.yourschoolgames.com/schools/honeywell-junior-school/>



## DINNER MONEY

If you would like your child to change to a school lunch this term, please inform the school in writing giving at least one week's notice.

All school meals are to be paid using Wise pay facility – please see above

The costs for next term are:

Full Term – 158.30

First Half Term – 78.30

Second Half Term – 81.00

**Please note payments are due in advance.**

## CLASS TOPICS

These are the topics that the year groups will be working on this term. If you are able to offer any expertise or resources, please speak to your child's teacher.

<b>YEAR 3</b>	ASIA (GEOGRAPHY) FORCES, MAGNETS & PLANTS (SCIENCE)
<b>YEAR 4</b>	CRIME AND PUNISHMENT AND TUDORS (HISTORY) HABITAT AND STATES OF MATTER (SCIENCE)
<b>YEAR 5</b>	ANCIENT GREECE (HISTORY) MATERIALS & EARTH AND SPACE (SCIENCE)
<b>YEAR 6</b>	VOLCANOES & EARTHQUAKES (GEOGRAPHY) ELECTRICITY AND LIVING THINGS (SCIENCE)

Further information about how to help your children in school will shortly be available on the schools' website:

**[www.honeywellschools.org](http://www.honeywellschools.org)**

**Please see Dates for your Diary below.**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>January</b>		
Wed	8	Children return to school
Thur	10	Swimming for Yr 4 begins
Mon	14	Clubs start this week
Wed	16	PTFA meeting at 7.30
Tues	22	Police workshops begins Tennis coaching for classes
Wed	23	Police workshops continue
Fri	25	Yr 3 photographs (part of the Steve McQueen project)
Tue	29	PTFA fundraising event – Yoga 6.45
<b>February</b>		
Mon	4	Children’s Mental Health Week begins
Wed	13	Parent/ Teacher Meetings Full Governors meeting 6.30
Thur	14	Parent/ Teacher Meetings Valentine Day cake sale
Mon	18	Half Term begins
Mon	25	Children return to school
Mon	25	School Council to visit the Houses of Parliament
Tue	26	Harry Potter Day in the Yr 5 classes
<b>March</b>		
Tue	5	5JW and 5B classes out at “citizenship” workshop (p.m.) World Book Day
Wed	6	5R class out at “citizenship” workshop (a.m.) PTFA meeting at 7.30
Thur	7	World Book Day
Mon	11	Maths week begins
Thur	14	Yr 5 to Kidzania PTFA Swedercise fundraiser 7-8.00
Tue	19	Sports for Schools assembly
Fri	22	PTFA Promises Auction
Mon	25	Bug Busting fortnight begins Last week for school clubs.
Wed	27	Yr 6 pupils measured and weighed.
Thur	28	Governors meeting at 6.30
<b>April</b>		
Tue	2	Spring Concert 2.00 or 6.00 at St Luke’s Church.
Thursday	4	Easter assembly

There will be additional dates for your diary and I will pass these on in my next newsletters.

DJR

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