

Honeywell Junior School

Parents' Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

The Spring term is now in full swing and there is much to tell you about.

PARENTS' QUESTIONNAIRE

Information about the coming parents' survey will shortly be sent out to parents in a separate letter. The schools are keen to receive feedback from the school community and we are going to try and increase the response rate. Questionnaires will be primarily available to complete electronically and this will be available from 4th February. However there WILL still be paper copies available at the parents' evenings and from the Office for those parents who would prefer the paper format.

PARENTS' EVENINGS

This term's parents' evenings take place on Wednesday 13th and Thursday, 14th 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.

A letter detailing the information about how to book an appointment will be sent out next week.

WISE PAY

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

www.honeywellschools.org

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

PTFA NEWS

Thank you to all the parents who came to the meeting last week. Once again the PTFA has been very busy arranging a series of events for children and parents

- On Tuesday, 29th January there is a Yoga night taking place from 7.00 – 8.00. This has been organised by the Willow class parents.
- On Thursday, 14th 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.

IMPORTANT PTFA NEWS

The Promises Auction Team are pleased to announce that the 2019 Promises Auction is moving to Lambeth Town Hall, 1 Brixton Hill, SW2 1RW. The evening will start at 8pm to make logistics a little easier. There was a huge demand for

tables and the move will enable an additional 100 parents to attend. All additional tables have sold out.

The PTFA and the Auction Team would like to say a big thank to the original ticket holders for agreeing to move and appreciate the additional logistics involved! Many thanks also to all the parents who donated wonderful promises, it is hugely appreciated!

With many more parents and tables the Auction Team urgently needs more volunteers to help run the evening. This is a really fun way to be involved and if you can help please email the Auction Team. The 2019 Promises Auction Team looks forward to welcoming you to the biggest event of the Honeywell Schools PTFA calendar!

honeywellpromisesauction@gmail.com

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 8th February. Any unclaimed items will then be taken to the local charity shops.

SPORT – repeat notice

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 their email addresses

The Chris and the school's sport department can be contacted on 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.

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 28 (right to Education)

Every child has the right to an education.

Primary education must be free and different forms of secondary education must be available to every child.

Discipline in schools must respect children's dignity and their rights.

Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this.

SUCCESS STORIES

Hockey

Well done to the hockey team who played in a mini “friendly” tournament organised by Finton House School. Honeywell remained unbeaten throughout the matches and played exceptionally well winning 4-0, 6-0 and 3-0. Mr McMullan stated that the teams were a credit to Honeywell not only in the way they played but also in the way that the team conducted themselves.

Netball

I have copied Chris, our PE coach’s words directly as they sum up perfectly the Yr 4 netball match against Belleville. “Well, 11 of our Yr 4 Netballers arrived at Belleville Meteor just as the rain started...after a few minutes, it became snow, but Honeywell Netballers are stoic, and decided they’d play all the same, thank you very much!

This was the first match for some of our Yr 4 players, and they ran on court excitedly, avoiding the puddles that were starting to form. The first 6 minute match delivered a 0-0 score, with the ball passing from end to end with a number of turnovers from both sides. The second half provided our shooters the chance to score not once, not twice, but three times. Our shooting practice had paid off but Belleville weren’t finished, they scored a goal, which wasn’t enough to break Honeywell’s spirit, and Honeywell ended with a 3-1 win.”

Well done to all for an amazing match in very trying conditions

Football

The school football team began their defence of the Battersea league trophy with a comprehensive victory over Sacred Heart School (Battersea). The team won 10-0 with Theo (Yr 5) scoring 5 goals which was extremely impressive. Mr McMullan reported that the team played with considerable skill and showed great team work throughout the match. A very promising start to the season.

This week the second league game saw the school team run out winners 2-0 beating Holy Ghost School. Once again Mr McMullan highlighted the players’ excellent team work. Congratulations!

WHERE’S WALLY FUN RUN

The *Where’s Wally?* fun run is back for 2019!

The National Literacy Trust’s annual *Where’s Wally?* fun run is heading back to Clapham Common in London on 17 March. Join hundreds of other supporters dressed as beloved children’s book character Wally and raise money to help the charity give disadvantaged children a route out of poverty. Runners can choose between a 5k or 10k route, as well as a 1k route for children. With live music, food, kids’ rides, games and more, this is one fun run not to be missed!

literacytrust.org.uk/wally



STAFFING

We are very sad to inform the school community that after 10 very successful years Lynn Hondor – Cole will be leaving Honeywell. Lynn has recently retired and is currently working out her notice.

Parents/ carers who may be interested in the role of School Business Manager at Honeywell Infant and Junior Schools may wish to visit the schools’ website for more details. <http://www.honeywellschools.org/>

CHILDREN’S MENTAL HEALTH

As part of Children’s Mental Health week (4th – 10th February) Honeywell School is offering a parents workshop/coffee morning on “**You’re never too young to talk Mental Health**”

The workshop will cover:

- Why it may be difficult for parents to talk to their children about mental health
- Starting the conversation
- What to do next
- Top tips for you and your child

Time & Date: 9.10am to 10.30 Wednesday 6th February

Places: 20 places - Please confirm your wish to attend by email to junior.sen@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk

Suitability: Parents of Year 5 and Year 6 pupils

Venue: Meet at Honeywell House, Infant playground

Also, on Thursday 7th February, Chelsea Football Club will be talking to all children about “wellbeing on the inside and outside”. There will be an assembly and workshops will run throughout the day for the pupils to enjoy and learn from.

BREXIT MEETING

If you are concerned about how Brexit may affect your status, Wandsworth Citizen’s Advice invites you to a meeting to discuss the issues.

Tuesday, February 12th

6.30 to 8.00 pm,

Wandsworth Town Hall,

Wandsworth High St, SW18 2PU

For more information and to register for a free ticket: visit our website: www.cawandsworth.org/eu

WINTER VOMITING BUG

Unfortunately there have been several cases of the winter vomiting bug in school over the last two weeks. One London school was closed due to the number of staff and children affected. To ensure we limit the exposure to this nasty bug we have reinforced the hand washing message with the children and ask that you do not bring children back to school while they are still infectious. Please leave a minimum of 24 hours before they return to school.

STOP PRESS

Congratulations to the Yr 6 football team who have just won the Chelsea FC Foundation Competition that was held at (a very cold) Southfields Academy on Wednesday.

The team played extremely well, expertly coached by Pete and Tom L who commented on how well the boys played. Thirty eight teams entered this competition and Honeywell remained unbeaten throughout.

The team now moves on to the London finals, which are to be held at the Chelsea FC training ground in Cobham, Surrey. Good luck!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

January		
Tue	29	PTFA fundraising event – Yoga 6.45
February		
Fri	1	PTFA Krispy Kreme donut sale after school
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
March		
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
April		
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.

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