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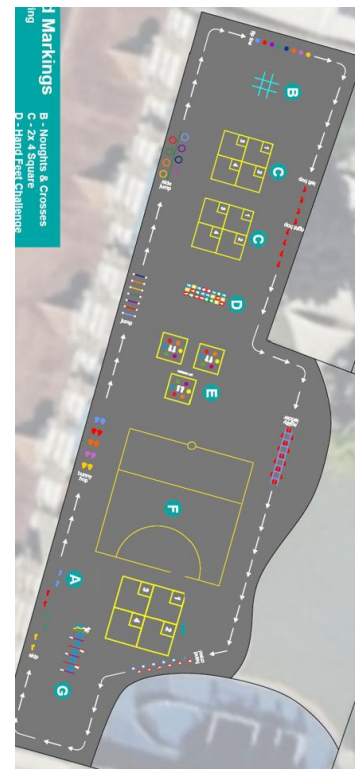


It has been so lovely for Ms Thomson, Mr Ring and myself to see you all morning and afternoon, after such a long break. Welcome especially to all of our new Year 3's who have done an amazing job settling in so quickly and to new Honeywell families across the year groups. Our new staff are also settling in quickly and it is so Honeywell to see the community show such kindness and support in keeping with our *"community that cares"*

Over the holidays we gave the Junior playground markings a makeover all chosen by School Councillors after consultation with their classes and funded by the PTFA. Thanks to all involved. We also had a stage extension in the middle hall which you will see at our welcome meetings next week, a newly decorated classroom and new carpeting outside Year 3 and in Year 3 classrooms all funded again by the PTFA.

Other less visible work also took place including a new server, the replacement of some fire doors and other compliance works. We look forward to sharing these with you in the building soon starting with:

-  Year 6 on Monday the 14th of September at 4pm
 -  Year 4 on Tuesday the 15th of September at 4pm
 -  Year 5 on Wednesday the 17th of September at 4pm
 -  Year 6 on Thursday the 18th of September at 4pm
- We will meet you at the Junior Gate!!



We have set out a lot of dates for the year below so you can get them into your calendar.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Honeywell Schools Federation	
Holiday Dates for 2026 2027	
A community that cares about excellence, wonder and learning for life	
Tuesday 1 st September 2026	INSET DAY (Staff only)
Wednesday 2 nd September 2026	INSET DAY (Staff only)
Thursday 3 rd September 2026	Autumn Term Starts
Autumn Half Term - Monday 26 th October – Friday 30 th October 2026	
Monday 2 nd November 2026	Return to School
Friday 18 th December 2026	End of Autumn Term at 3.30pm
Christmas Holiday - Monday 21 st December – Friday 1 st January 2027	
Monday 4 th January 2027	INSET DAY (Staff only)
Tuesday 5 th January 2027	Spring Term Starts
Spring Half Term - Monday 15 th February – Friday 19 th February 2027	
Monday 22 nd February 2027	Return to School
Thursday 25 th March 2027	End of Spring Term at 3.30pm
Easter Holiday - Friday 26 th March – Friday 9 th April 2027	
Monday 12 th April 2027	INSET DAY (Staff only)
Tuesday 13 th April 2027	Summer Term Starts
May Day Bank - Holiday Monday 3 rd May 2027	
Summer Half Term - Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June 2027	
Monday 7 th June 2027	Return to School
Tuesday 20 th July 2027	End of Term at 1.30pm
Wednesday 21 st July 2027	INSET DAY (Staff only)



Class Sharing Assemblies in the **Middle Hall**, showcase learning as well as developing performance skills and creativity. Come to the Junior Gate where we will greet you by 2.40pm. To help you plan ahead the dates for the year are:

Autumn Term 2026

- Friday 23rd October 2026 – 6B
- Friday 13th November 2026 – 6M
- Friday 27th November 2026 – 5S

Spring Term 2027

- Friday 22nd January 2027 – 6H
- Friday 5th February 2027 – 5L
- Friday 26th February 2027 – 4H
- Friday 12th March 2027 – 5C

Summer Term 2027

- Friday 23rd April 2027 – 3M
- Friday 7th May – 4T
- Friday 28th May 2027 – 4S
- Friday 18th June 2027 – 3D
- Thursday 1st July 2027 – 3C



Dates For Individual Conferences with Class Teachers!!

Here are all the dates for the year so you can put them in your calendar!!

Autumn Target Setting:

Wednesday 14th October 2026 – Early Closing at 2.00pm

Those attending clubs will be supervised until their clubs begin

Thursday 15th October 2026 starting at 4pm

Autumn Term Results:

Wednesday 13th January 2027 – Early closing at 2:00pm

Those attending clubs will be supervised until their clubs begin

Thursday 14th January 2027 starting at 4.00pm

Spring Term Results:

Wednesday 21st April 2027 early closing – 2.00pm

Those attending clubs will be supervised until their clubs begin

Thursday 22nd April 2027 – starting at 4.00pm

Summer Report Discussion if needed:

Tuesday 13th July 2027 from 4.00pm

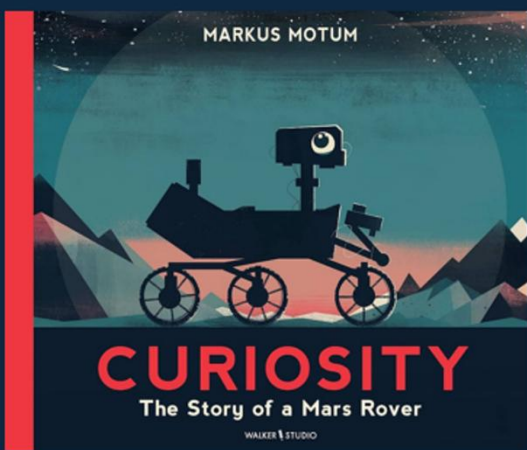
SEPTEMBER 2026	
14 th	School Council Elections Week 5L and 5C Swimming 4-5pm Welcome Meeting Yr 6 Middle Hall
15 th	Early Birds start 4-5pm Welcome Meeting Yr 4 Middle Hall
16 th	4-5pm Welcome Meeting Yr 5 Middle Hall
17 th	5S Swimming 4-5pm Welcome Meeting Yr 3 Middle Hall
18 th	Yr 4 Lacrosse Sessions Yr 6 Northcote Library
21 st	School Improvement Adviser Visit 5L and 5C Swimming After School Clubs Begin
22 nd	am Yr 3 Vocal Project with Wandsworth Music - Middle Hall
24 th	5S Swimming
25 th	Yr 4 Lacrosse Sessions Yr 3 Northcote Library
28 th	5L and 5C Swimming
29 th	am Yr 3 Vocal Project with Wandsworth Music - Middle Hall
30 th	Sparkle
OCTOBER 2026	
1 st	am 5S Swimming
2 nd	Yr 4 Lacrosse Sessions am Yr 5 Northcote Library
5 th	5L and 5C Swimming
5 th – 9 th	HARVEST WEEK
6 th	am Yr 3 Vocal Project with Wandsworth Music - Middle Hall
10 th	Yr 4 Lacrosse Sessions
14 th	2pm Early Closing Individual Parents and Carers Conferences for Target Setting
15 th	4pm Individual Parents and Carers Conferences for Target Setting
16 th	Yr 4 Lacrosse Sessions Yr 3 Northcote Library
22 nd	
24 th	Yr 4 Lacrosse Sessions 2:45pm 6S Sharing Assembly
October Half Term – 26 th – 30 th OCTOBER 2026	
NOVEMBER 2026	
4 th	W Yr 6 BFI Trip St Michaels Assemblies



10 th – 14 th	Anti-Bullying Week
11 th	Honeywell Schools Federation Open Morning
13 th	Honeywell Schools Federation Open Morning
14 th	2:45pm 6W Sharing Assembly
17 th	Year 4 Swimming begins
28 th	2:45pm 6B Sharing Assembly
DECEMBER 2026	
2 nd	Tedx Event St Michaels Assemblies
3 rd	Junior School Open Morning

CURRICULUM – ENGLISH/PSHCE/SCIENCE

Our Whole School Project



CURIOSITY
The Story of a Mars Rover
MARKUS MOTUM

Curiosity: The Story of a Mars Rover by author-illustrator Markus Motum is a fascinating picture book that takes children on an incredible journey from Earth to Mars. It explores how the Curiosity Rover was designed, launched into space and sent to investigate the Red Planet.

In English, this book provides exciting opportunities for children to explore non-fiction writing, develop scientific vocabulary, ask questions and present information in engaging ways. The striking illustrations also inspire children to research and write about space and the possibility of life beyond Earth.

In Science classes participated in an exciting event live from Imperial Space School. NASA Engineers Howard Hu and Branelle Rodriguez shared the story of Artemis II.

Linked as well to PSHCE, *Curiosity* explores perseverance, teamwork and ambition. It shows how asking questions, solving problems and working together can lead to extraordinary discoveries.

We are excited to begin the year with an inspiring text that will spark curiosity across our whole school!




STAFFING NEWS



We are delighted to announce the appointment of our new Federation Business Manager[FBM], Ms Horgan.

"Many of you will know me as Becs, either as a parent of two boys who both attended Honeywell or from my eight years coaching the junior netball squads. I'm taking a year off coaching to get to grips with my new challenge as Federation Business Manager – although I'm not sure which is more

demanding!

I first got involved through the PTFA and my involvement grew from there, eventually leading to 10 years as a Honeywell Governor, most recently as Chair of the Resources Committee. Being a Governor gave me a great insight into what goes on behind the scenes,

A community that cares about excellence, wonder and learning for life from finance and HR to premises, health and safety and the day-to-day running of the schools. It was this that inspired me to take on the Business Manager role. Six weeks in, I'm

Welcome too to....

Ms Klusmann



Ms Lupton



Ms Elefantis

Ms Jones

Ms Thompson

Ms Raymond



Mr Aigbehinmua



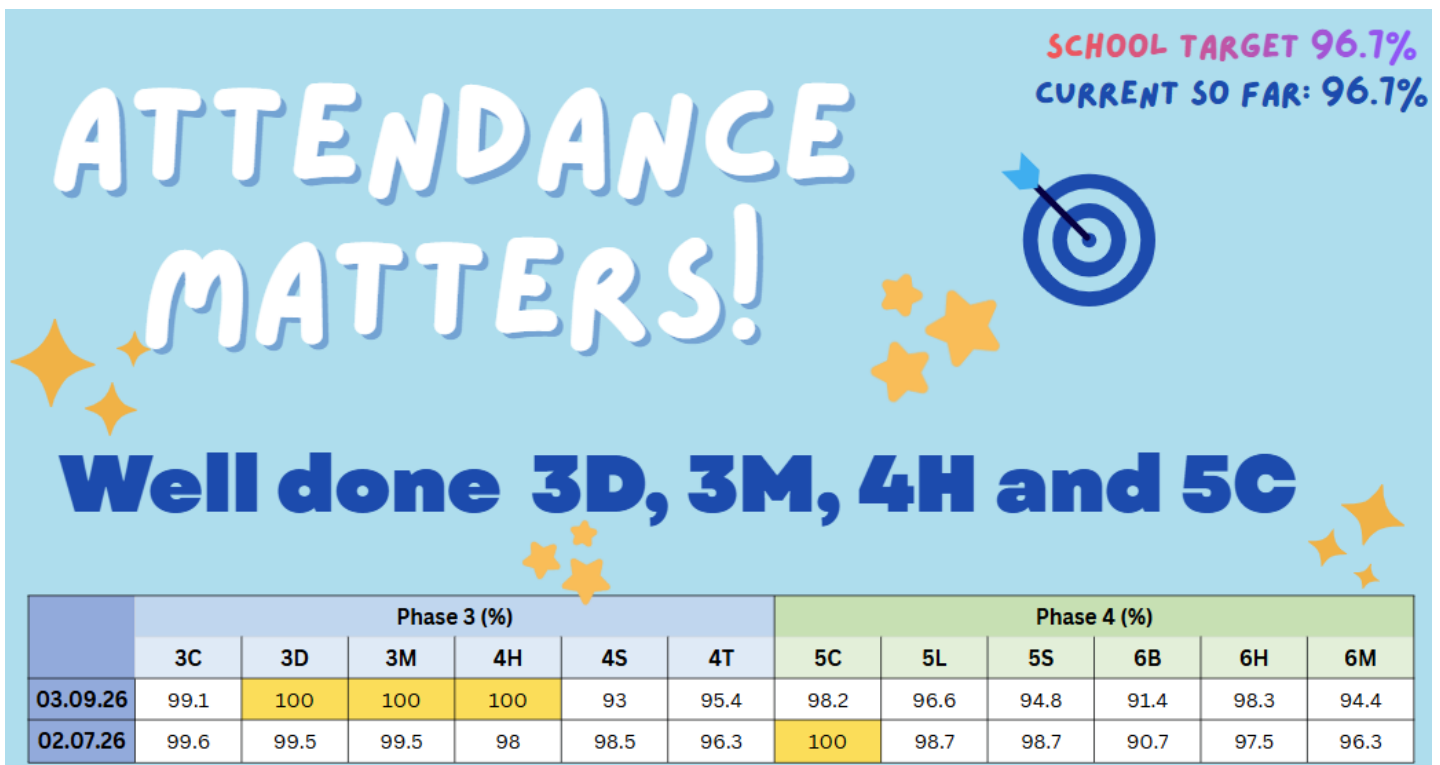
still learning the ropes and asking plenty of questions, but I'm really enjoying the challenge. Having been part of the Honeywell community for so long, I really believe in the schools and their ethos and I'm looking forward to helping things run smoothly behind the scenes and supporting the fantastic work happening."

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

As we begin a new year, a reminder that maintaining high levels of attendance for your child is vital for their academic success, personal development, and social wellbeing. High attendance ensures pupils benefit fully from learning opportunities, build strong friendships, and develop routines that support future success. If your child is unable to come to school, please telephone or email the school on the first day of absence, stating the reason.

It is also important to plan your holidays around the school term times. All requests for additional holiday in term time will be unauthorised unless there are **exceptional circumstances**, which are very rare.

While we appreciate that children can sometimes be unwell, we encourage families to aim for the highest possible attendance. If you're unsure whether your child is too ill for school, please refer to the NHS guidance here: [Is my child too ill for school?](#)



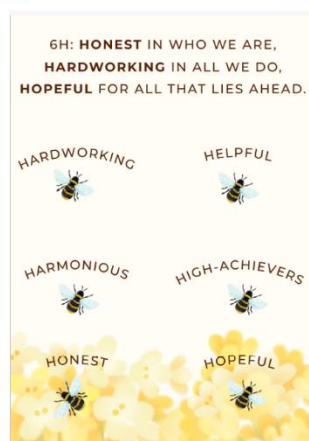
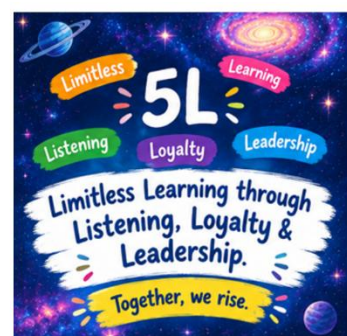
<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

As part of our welcome to the new school year all classes have thought about who they are as a team and how they could capture that in a “tag line” Have a look at what they came up with.

PHASE 3



PHASE 4



PTFA NEWS

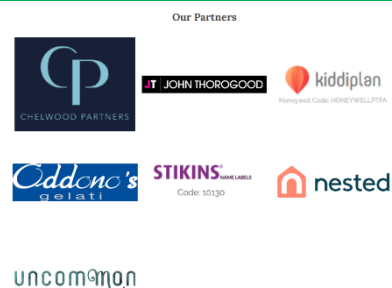


The Team are looking for volunteers to be class reps!!
Please head to Classlist What's on / Events section
where you'll find what's on

<https://www.honeywellptfa.org.uk/>

Join Classlist

<https://app.classlist.com/start/#/register/signup>



SOME REMINDERS

Please remember to return in date medication with forms completed to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Junior **After School Clubs** begin the week beginning the **21st September**.



SCHOOL MEALS remain free for all children in the Juniors again this year. We do hope your child continues to enjoy school lunches. If you wish to switch to packed lunches or vice versa, we will need a week's notice in writing. Unfortunately, it is not be possible to choose to have lunch on specific days. The latest menu will continue until half term when we look to provide a more seasonal offering.

ALLERGY AWARE SCHOOL

We have a number of children in school with allergies, including some who are at risk of a serious allergic reaction (anaphylaxis). We therefore ask everyone in our community to help

us to be allergy aware. Being allergy aware does not mean that we can guarantee an environment completely free from allergens. Allergens can be present in many foods and products and can also be brought into school unintentionally. Instead, it means that we take sensible precautions to reduce risk, that staff know about the children in their care and that we are prepared to respond appropriately if an allergic reaction occurs.

Parents and carers can help us by:

-  Letting us know promptly if your child has a diagnosed or suspected allergy, or if their allergy or medication changes
-  Providing prescribed medications, ensuring they are in date
-  Not bringing dogs into the playground
-  Supporting children to understand that allergies are a health issue and that we all have a part to play in keeping one another safe

Part of being an allergy aware school means we are a nut free environment. Please ensure that nuts are not brought into school under any circumstances. Please bear in mind that many food products contain nuts so we ask that all parents and carers to ensure they check all ingredients before bringing any food items including in packed lunches. Please check labels carefully. Washing children's hands and faces before school if they have recently eaten foods containing nuts is essential.

Thank you for your co-operation in maintaining a safe and healthy environment for all our children and staff.

MEDICATION



If your child needs an asthma inhaler or an epi pen or any other AAI [Adrenaline Auto-Injectors] or AD [Adrenaline Device], please make sure you have returned these items to school with the appropriate paperwork and check that it is in date. All medication is sent home at the end of each academic year, so if you haven't brought any in this term we do not have emergency medication for your child. The school office coordinates all medication on site. Please email the school with any queries you have about your child's condition or the medication they need. We will enter the information on our Medical Tracker platform and create a IHP and a member of the Junior Team will send you a copy and call you to review it with you.

Learning Equipment - Pencil Cases



We are now providing every child with a pencil case with writing equipment which has been recommended to support quality writing across the curriculum.

Therefore no pupil is to bring anything from home. Please talk with you class teacher at the open evenings if you would like a case for quality home learning. Thank you for your continued understanding and cooperation!

COMMUNICATIONS

We recently sent this information to our new Year 3 families. We hope this is a useful guide with links for you.

I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT...	WHO YOU NEED TO TALK TO
Urgent communication	Phone the school office at 0207 223 5185
Class activities/lessons/homework	Your child's class teacher via the school office office@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk or Seesaw or face to face to make a time to meet or call, ideally at the END of the day at pick up
Payments	via the school office office@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk
School trips	via the school office office@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk
Clothing/lost and found	Class teacher face to face – before or after school or via the school office office@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk or Seesaw
Attendance and absence requests	If you need to report your child's absence, email the school office at office@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk If you want to request approval for term-time absence, download the appropriate form from the school website at https://www.honeywellschools.org/forms/
Bullying and behaviour	via the school office office@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk – for the attention of the class teacher in the first instance as they know your child best and then if there is a continuing concern, Ms Martin the Phase 3 Leader [Year 3 and 4] or Ms Sertin Phase 4 Leader [Year 5 and 6]
School events/the school calendar	website first at https://www.honeywelljuniorschool.co.uk and then via the school office office@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk – for the attention of Ms Appleby
Special Educational Needs	junior.inclusion@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk
The Balham “Schools Out” before and after-school club	https://www.balhamcommunitycentre.com/schools-out-club-honeywell or at honeywell@balhamcommunitycentre.com
Clubs provide by the school	via the school office office@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk
Hiring the school premises	via the school office office@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk – for the attention of Ms Horgan the Federation Business Manager
The PTFA	chair@honeywellptfa.org.uk
The Governing Body	office@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk
Catering/meals	via the school office office@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk – attention of Ms Glover

SCHOOL STREETS



A reminder that Honeywell Schools have a School Street, put in place by Wandsworth Council to make sure that we have a safe environment around the school at drop off and pick up. This means that no cars, vans or motorbikes are allowed on Honeywell Road between Northcote and Webb's Road for an hour around drop off and pick up each day. There are signs at each end to remind people. Bicycles are fine, and we encourage all pupils to walk, bike or scoot to school wherever possible.

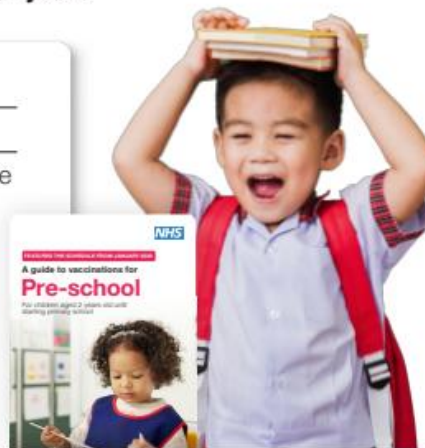
Residents of that part of the road are still allowed to drive during these periods but they try to avoid it. Those who have disability badges and other services are also allowed to use the road so please use the pavements. Thank you for helping to make the start and end of the school day safer and healthier for our school community.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Starting a new school?

Your child will be learning and playing with more children when they start their new school and could be at risk of catching preventable diseases if they haven't had all their childhood jabs.



If you are not sure if your child has had all their routine vaccinations, check their personal health record (Red Book) or contact the GP surgery. To get the best protection for your child, they need to have had 2 doses of MMR containing vaccine. For a checklist of the vaccines and the ages at which they should ideally be given visit:

www.nhs.uk/vaccinations

MMR for all leaflet



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Preschool immunisations



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