

Dear Parents and Carers....



Thank you for your generous Harvest donations. They created a wonderful display for our assembly and were gratefully received by Wandsworth Foodbank. It was lovely to be able to drop them off – even though I wasn't sure my car would cope with the weight of it! The infant and junior school donated a combined 273.1kg of food, equating to **650** meals!

Well done to the Year 2 children, who led our Harvest celebrations last week. They shared their learning and sang beautifully during the school assembly. Year 2 also explored Harvest further through a workshop at St Michael's Church, where they learnt about an apple's journey from farm to home, reflected on the people they are thankful for and created a lovely 'tree of gratitude'.



The curriculum has been brought to life this half term through a fantastic range of trips, workshops and visitors. Highlights have included African drumming, visits from Wandsworth firefighters and police officers, a *The Tiger Who Came to Tea* drama workshop, trips to Clapham Junction and the Wetland Centre and an Indian dance workshop.

Dates for our Christmas productions are now confirmed in the school diary. Please see the dates below. Wishing you all a lovely half term.

Fiona Arnold
Headteacher
23.10.26

PUNCTUALITY AND ATTENDANCE



Being in school every day and arriving on time helps children feel settled, enjoy learning and make the most of all that school offers. Even a few minutes late can mean missing the welcome and routines that help the day begin calmly.

To support a calm and prompt start, we are making a small adjustment to our morning arrangements after half term:

- **8.50am:** Gates open and teachers are available in the playground.
- **8.55am:** Teachers take the children into class.
- **9.00am:** All children should be in their classrooms, ready for learning.

We really value our home-school relationships and the opportunity to speak with families at the beginning and end of the day. In the mornings, please keep conversations to brief updates or essential information so teachers can bring the children into class on time. If you need a longer conversation, please arrange a suitable time with your child's teacher so they can give you their full attention. Members of the SLT will remain on the gate and at the Year 1 / 2 entrance if you need to speak to them.

Thank you for helping us give every child a positive start to the day. If anything is making regular attendance or punctuality difficult, please do get in touch so we can work together to help.

ATTENDANCE FOR AUTUMN 1

	RECEPTION			YEAR ONE			YEAR TWO		
NURSERY	MANGO	MAPLE	PALM	BEECH	HOLLY	WILLOW	APPLE	CHERRY	PAPAYA
96%	96%	98%	97%	99%	97%	97%	98%	98%	97%

UPCOMING DATES	
November 2025	
Mon 2	Return to School
Fri 6	Diwali Assembly PTFA Magic Show
Mon 9	Animal Workshop: Year One
Tues 10	Trip to National Army Museum: Year Two Open Morning for prospective parents
Thurs 12	Open Morning for prospective parents
Fri 13	Children in Need Day
Mon 16	Anti-Bullying Week Odd Socks Day
Thurs 19	Inclusion Coffee Morning – Managing Big Emotions (Junior Hall)
December 2025	
Tues 1	Maple Class Nativity 9.30
Wed 2	Mango Class Nativity 9.30
Thurs 3	Palm Class Nativity 9.30
Fri 4	Pot Luck Pots go home for decoration
Tues 8	Year 2 Nativity at St. Michael's Church 2.00
Wed 9	Infant School Christmas Lunch Day Year 1 Nativity at St. Michael's Church 2.00
Mon 14	Pot Luck Pots returned to school
Fri 19	End of term

INCLUSION AT HONEYWELL



We are delighted to invite parents and carers to our Inclusion Coffee Morning on Thursday 19th November, from 9.15am to 10.15am in the Honeywell Junior Hall.

This session will be led by the Battersea Education Wellbeing Service and will explore how emotions can affect children's behaviour, as well as share practical strategies to help children understand and manage their big feelings.

This promises to be a really useful and supportive morning, and we warmly encourage all parents and carers to come along!

Please see the flyer below for more information.

HEALTHY EATING AT HONEYWELL



Are you passionate about nutrition, sustainability or children's health? We are looking for a parent to join our School Nutrition Action Group. We will oversee the schools' food strategy, ensure high standards in school meals and promote healthy and sustainable eating habits among pupils, staff and parents. If you are interested in getting involved please contact Sarah Richardson (Environmental Sustainability and Healthy Eating Governor) at sarah.richardson@honeywell.wandsworth.sch.uk.

BIKES AND SCOOTERS



Thank you to everyone who already walks their bikes and scooters through the playground – it really helps keep everyone safe, especially our youngest children and their little brothers and sisters, who can be tricky to spot at busy times! We kindly ask that everyone does the same to help keep our playground a safe and happy space for all

PTFA NEWS



Honeywell Schools PTFA

🎄 CHRISTMAS CARDS, CALENDARS & TEA TOWELS! 🎄

Get ready for some lovely festive keepsakes!

👉 **Tea Towels** – Available to order now on Classlist! Be sure to place your order by 20th November, with collection at the Christmas Fair.

👉 **Christmas Cards & Calendars** – Available to order on Classlist from early November.

📅 DATES FOR THE DIARY 📅

- 🎪 **Magic Night with Mr Trixy** – Friday 6th November
 - 🍷 **A Taste of Sicily** – Thursday 12th November, 7pm until late
 - 🎄 **Christmas Market** – Thursday 26th November
 - 🌿 **Christmas Wreath Making** – Monday 30th November
 - 🎄 **Christmas Tree Collection** – Saturday 5th December
 - 🎪 **Christmas Fair** – Saturday 12th December
- More details to follow soon!

🍷 A TASTE OF SICILY – THURSDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 🍷

Join us for a special evening of Sicilian food, wine and culture, all in support of Honeywell School!

Enjoy an olive oil masterclass with producers Sicilia Fredda, a live cooking demonstration with renowned Chef Giuseppe Silvestri, followed by a delicious Sicilian dinner. Tickets include a welcome drink, a bottle of Sicilian olive oil and recipes to take home. Sicilian wines will be available to purchase.

📅 **Thursday 12th November, 7pm until late**

📅 **£75 per person (worth £120)**

Places are limited, so book early!

Book tickets on Classlist

Friends welcome!

A TASTE OF Sicily

AN EXCLUSIVE CULINARY EVENING

Join us for a very special night celebrating the flavours, traditions and generosity of Sicilian food.

In collaboration with Sicilia and Rodolfo di Sicilia Fredda, bringing the traditions of Sicilian olive oil producers to Battersea, and renowned Private Chef Giuseppe Silvestri, founder of the Association of Professional Italian Chefs, UK and Italian Food Ambassador, we invite you to discover Sicily through its extraordinary ingredients and culture.

THE EVENING INCLUDES

OLIVE OIL CLASS Discover the craft, quality and history of authentic Sicilian extra virgin olive oil.	LIVE COOKING An intimate cooking demonstration of 3-4 Sicilian dishes, with tips and techniques to take home.	SICILIAN DINNER A welcome drink, dinner featuring the dishes prepared and the Sicilian wines available at the bar.
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PLUS A LITTLE PIECE OF SICILY TO TAKE HOME
A 200ML BOTTLE OF OLIVE OIL + RECIPES

12 NOV 2026
7 PM
GARDEN CENTRE, HALL

TICKETS
£75 PER PERSON
(£120 VALUE)

👋 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! 👋

We're looking for some lovely volunteers to help support our upcoming Honeywell PTFA events and projects!

- 🎄 **Christmas Market** – 3 volunteers needed
- 🎪 **Christmas Fair** – 2 volunteers needed
- 💻 **Entrepreneur Scheme** – Someone confident with websites and online platforms
- 🌐 **Website Designer** – Someone with website design experience

If you can spare some time or have skills to share, we'd love to hear from you! Every little bit of help makes a big difference to our school community.

Please email secretary@honeywellptfa.org.uk if you can help! 💛





OPEN MORNINGS

9.25am Tuesday 10th November 2026
and
9.25am Thursday 12th November 2026

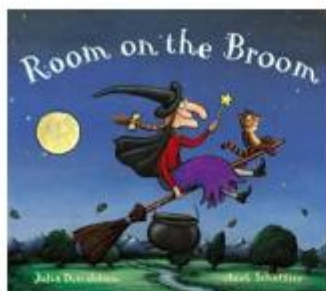
**Join us for a tour a talk and
experience teaching and learning as it
happens!!**

**Look out for an email with a link to book your place via
the website or use the QR Code.**



NURSERY

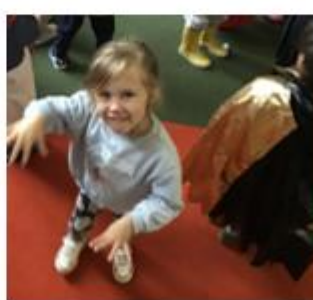
This week it was lovely to fully embrace Halloween by experimenting with lots of messy play. The children enjoyed exploring slime and cornflour and water and adding in frogs, spiders and other creepy crawlies to their cauldrons and developing fine motor skills by using the pipettes and syringes



We used the story of 'Winnie and Wilbur,' and 'Room on the Broom,' as inspiration.

They used so much rich language when they were casting spells and waving their magic wands.

We have been so impressed with how well the children have settled in this term and we're sure they're ready for a good rest but as a grand finale lots of the children gave us a sneak preview of their Halloween costumes by wearing them to school



and our Drama teacher Dani came in and did a spooky session. The children visited the Discovery Den for the first time and it is such a wonderful classroom for the children to experience.

RECEPTION

Reception have really enjoyed our final week of the half term! This week, we have been learning all about ways to help our planet. We found out about the many different people who help look after the world around us including; the refuse collectors and people in our school such as our Caretaker Brian and our school team of hardworking cleaners. The children worked as a team during free flow to go on a litter hunt. We talked about what we can do to help, including recycling, turning the taps and lights off, and helping the animals! We also had a great time at our Little City workshop, where the children role played many different important jobs, such as being a refuse collector, doctor, supermarket worker, and builder! It was a fantastic way to round-off our topic and apply all the knowledge we have acquired this term.



YEAR ONE

In Literacy this week, the children have begun learning about non-fiction texts in preparation for writing their own Autumn information texts. On Monday, we explored the different features of non-fiction books, including contents pages, photographs and illustrations with captions, glossaries and indexes. The children then enjoyed becoming non-fiction detectives, searching through books in our book corner!



This week, the children had so much fun taking part in our Year 1 Indian dance workshop! They explored different movements used in Indian dance to represent animals such as crocodiles, lions and crabs. After a warm-up, the children learnt and practised a dance routine, developing their coordination and movement skills. They also learnt about the upcoming Festival of Light, Diwali, and discussed how it is celebrated.



This week in Maths we have been consolidating our learning on partitioning numbers to 5 – recognising the equations that match our part-whole models! The children will be able to use these amazing skills to help them with finding missing numbers and also with their addition and subtraction to 10 and beyond!



YEAR TWO

In Art this week, the Year 2 children created their own photo portraits inspired by Thandiwe Muriu. They created repeated patterns using paint and stamps on fabric, then photographed their partner using the iPads.



COMMUNITY NEWS



HONEYWELL SCHOOL COFFEE MORNING



PARENT / CARER COFFEE MORNING :

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD WITH BIG EMOTIONS

THURSDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2026
09:15 - 10:15AM AT HONEYWELL, JUNIOR
HALL

Is your child :

Having a tough time managing big emotions?

Do you want to:

- Understand the importance of emotions and how they impact on behaviour.
- Understand what emotion regulation is and why it is important.
- Learn practical strategies to support children with managing their feelings/emotions.

Provided by Battersea Education Wellbeing Service

 Respectful  Open  Collaborative  Compassionate  Consistent



Understanding and Supporting your Child's Sleep Online Parent/Carer Group

The topic of sleep is a very common difficulty for many parents/carers and it can impact the whole family. This group will be for parents and carers of children **ages 3-8** focusing on the following topics:

- The Science of Sleep.
- Common Sleep Difficulties.
- Creating the right environment and routines.
- Supporting your child with sleeping independently.
- Practical tools and skills to support your child.



Join our 4-session online group
to connect with other parents/carers
and learn new ways to support
your child's sleep.

Dates and Times:

Groups will be delivered online on the following Fridays
Nov 13, Nov 20, Dec 7 between 12:30-1:30PM. with a
follow up session on Jan 8th. Please click here to sign
up.

Further groups will be offered throughout the year.

If you are interested but cannot attend these
dates/times please sign up and we will be in touch.



In many schools, we also provide free 1:1 early support for parents/carers of primary aged children to support their child's common worries and anxieties or support children's tricky or challenging behaviours. Please speak to your school to find out more.



Please scan the QR Code
or click here to sign up.

1-1 & SMALL GROUP PERSONAL TRAINING

TIME TO FOCUS, ON YOU!

Step 1 - Consult & Assess (no charge)

We get clear on your Health & Fitness priorities & assess where you're at now across 3 AREAS (BODY-MOVE-WORK)

Step 2 - Decide & Commit

Choose your path forward with either 4, 8 or 12 sessions per month & the type of Nutrition & Lifestyle support you need (included in price)

Step 3 - Take Action Together

We get to work with personalised Exercise, Nutrition & Lifestyle support aligned to your priorities

Step 4 - Check for Progress

We'll have regular check in's every 1, 4, 8 or 12 weeks to keep you motivated & on track



I help busy parents & professionals refocus on their Health & Fitness in a sustainable way
(see testimonials on Instagram)

Grab a partner/friend(s) and pay less for same service

Mums &/or Dads bootcamps with specific focus available

"I come to you" service if needed

During the day availability if WFH

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