Parents' Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers….

Welcome back!

I hope you all had a lovely half-term break. We have an incredibly busy and fun-packed few weeks ahead as we move towards our Christmas celebrations and end-of-term productions.



The Year 1 children lit up the hall last week with their wonderful acting and singing in their performance of *Rama and Sita*. The show was a joyful celebration of Diwali that really brought their learning to life. The children had such fun learning the words and actions to their songs. A huge well done to them all!

Thank you to the PTFA for organising such an entertaining magic show. It was lovely to bring our school community together for an event full of laughter and surprises. We are very grateful to everyone who helped make it happen and to the families who supported it.

Year 2 visited the National Army Museum to enrich their learning about the First World War. The visit provided a valuable opportunity to explore history beyond the classroom and deepen their understanding of the period.



Our Open Mornings were very busy and well attended, and it was lovely to hear such complimentary feedback from prospective families. Thank you to everyone who helped welcome our visitors and show them around. Alongside our annual Open Mornings, we offer smaller school tours, which can be booked through the school website.

It was wonderful to see so many children wearing spots for Children in Need. Thank you for joining in and for your generous donations to support the charity's work with children and young people.





Fiona Arnold
Headteacher
13.11.26

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Work is under way to appoint our new School Council representatives, and we look forward to announcing them very soon. They will work with Ms Soden to share their classmates' ideas, discuss matters that are important to the children and help make our school an even better place to learn and play.

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK



Monday 16th November marks the start of Anti-bullying Week and the children can wear odd socks to school to celebrate individuality and diversity.
The theme of this year's national Anti-Bullying week is 'Break the Silence'. It encourages children to speak up, listen and take action together.
We continue to develop children's positive relationships through assemblies, the regular PSHE curriculum and special events such as Anti- Bullying Week. Any rare incidents of bullying are dealt with quickly and sensitively at Honeywell Infant School.

ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance is so important in helping children make the most of their time at school. Every day provides valuable opportunities for learning, building friendships, developing confidence and establishing routines. Even occasional absences can add up over time, meaning children miss important learning experiences that can be difficult to catch up on. We know that children will sometimes be too unwell to attend school, but we ask families to make every effort to ensure their children are in school every day when they are well enough. Thank you for your continued support in helping children develop positive attendance habits from the very start of their school journey.

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

NEW WINTER MENU



We have started the new half term with the new winter menu. The revised menu is now up on the school website. We have tried to ensure a good mix of children's favourites as well as more hearty warming dishes for the colder weather. The roast lunch was a particular favourite this week!

TOYS IN SCHOOL



We have started to see some toys coming into school and would be grateful for your help in keeping these safely at home. We know children are often keen to share their favourite things with their friends, but toys can distract them from learning and cause upset if they become lost or broken. Please remind your child to leave their toys at home, where they can look forward to playing with them at the end of the day. Thank you for your support and understanding.

WINTER WEATHER



As winter draws in and coats get bigger, we would appreciate your help in keeping the children's cloakrooms tidy and accessible, with enough space for everyone's belongings.

- Please leave bike and scooter helmets outside with bikes and scooters.
- Wherever possible, please send your child to school with just their book bag and water bottle.

Large backpacks take up valuable space and make it harder for children to hang up their coats independently.

Thank you for helping us keep these shared spaces organised and easy for the children to use.

UPCOMING DATES	
November 2025	
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)
Tues 24	Reception Heights and Weights
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
Sat 5	PTFA Christmas Tree Collection
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
Sat 12	PTFA Christmas Fair
Mon 14	Pot Luck Pots returned to school
Fri 19	End of term

PTFA NEWS

Honeywell Schools PTFA

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We're still looking for volunteers to help support our upcoming PTFA projects

- Entrepreneur Scheme
- Website Designer

Please contact Emily on 07779 991496

- A massive thank you to everyone who attended the **two** Magic Shows that took place last Friday. All funds raised will be going towards SEN provision. Thank you so much to our sponsor **plus**rooms for making the event possible.

- Thank you so much to everyone who signed up for boards. If you'd be willing to sign up, please use the following link. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSehqLcLLXTV2YjUE58v2Ha_jTk8ayHmzj6aHVfdQccK-56MtA/viewform

CHRISTMAS MARKET **26TH NOV 7:30-9:30PM**

❄️ Hot off the press! Honeywell's own professional opera singer Alex Otterburn will be leading us with a few Christmas carols to really get us in the spirit at this magical event. There will be fifty fabulous stalls packed with gorgeous homemade gifts available to purchase, along with the much sought after Honeywell Honey.

This event is open to all so please share with friends and family. Tickets are now available to purchase on Classlist or using the QR code below.

Thank you so much to our fabulous sponsor Chelwood Partners, a friendly, independent estate agents truly committed to our community, for making this event possible.





TEA TOWELS, CALENDARS & MORE

- Tea towels and Calendars are now available to purchase on Classlist.

- The Christmas Card fundraiser is now live! Please use the link below to order custom Christmas cards, mugs and much more using your talent children's artwork. https://mychildsart.co.uk/find-artwork?username=Honeywell&access-code=dqt4nqfx

- Christmas trees are also now available to purchase on Classlist. Tree collection will take place on Saturday the 5th of December.

HONEYWELL SCHOOL COFFEE MORNING



Education Wellbeing Service

NHS South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS Trust



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

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