



Welcome to Homerswood



Diary dates

Tuesday 17th March

Y6 Online Health Questionnaire

Thursday 19th March

Year 3 trip to Hertford Museum

Friday 20th March

Red Nose Day

Wednesday 25th March

Easter Service St Johns at 9:15am
all welcome

Easter Lunch Menu

Dance Festival, Campus West 3.30-7pm

Thursday 26th March

Year 3/4 Spring Soiree at 2pm and 5:30pm

Friday 27th March

End of Term 1:45pm

After School Club to 4:30pm ONLY
Please let the office know if you would like a space.

FOH Easter Egg Hunt

Monday 13th April

Term Starts

Thursday 16th April

Primary Allocation Day

Friday 17th April

EYFS and KS1 Perform Workshops



Newsletter

Headteacher: Miss Mica Kettle BEd (Hons), MaST
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Rebecca Fitts BA, PGCE
Assistant Headteacher: Mrs Jenny Gregory BA, PGCE

Celebrating British Science Week

We had a fantastic time celebrating British Science Week across the school last week. A special thank you goes to Mr Williamson for organising such a varied and inspiring programme of events.

We would also like to thank the female representatives who joined us for our STEM GLAM session this morning. It was wonderful for the children to learn alongside you. Thank you to everyone who helped make the week such a success.

Kindness and Good Manners

Throughout the school day, we see many small but meaningful acts of kindness; children holding doors open for others, using their good manners, and taking the time to ask staff and visitors how they are. It is lovely to hear cheerful greetings of “good afternoon” and “enjoy your lunch” as we move around the school. Visitors regularly comment on the warm and welcoming atmosphere, and this is thanks to the children. These everyday moments may seem small, but they reflect the caring values we work hard to nurture in our school community. We are incredibly proud of the children for showing such thoughtfulness and respect towards one another and the adults around them.

Red Nose Day

We will be supporting Red Nose Day on Friday 20th March. Children are invited to come to school wearing red and raise money for a very worthwhile cause.

If you can contribute, we are suggesting a £1 donation, which can be made via School Gateway.

Thank you for helping us support this fantastic charity while having a little fun together as a school community!

HAPpy Easter Camps

The HAPpy Easter Camp will be running at Homerswood Easter holidays. These funded camps provide eligible children with the opportunity to take part in a range of fun activities while also receiving a healthy meal.

If your child receives benefits-related free school meals, you should receive a booking code to access these sessions. If you have not received this, please contact the school office.

For more information and booking details, please visit:
<https://thegrid.org.uk/news/happy-easter-camps-2026>

Stay Connected

If you have any questions, please get in touch via email at admin@homerswood.herts.sch.uk or call us on 01707 320610.



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Attendance Update



Whole School Attendance this week:
94.8%

Here are this week's attendance figures:

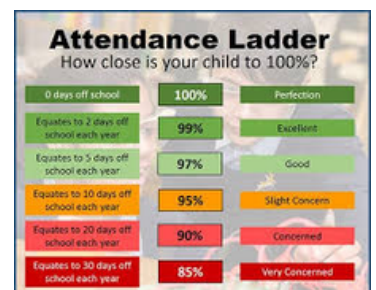
- Nursery: 95.1%
- Reception: 94.6%
- Year 1: 98.5%
- Year 2: 96.1%
- Year 3: 98.3%
- Year 4: 93.8%
- Year 5: 87.9%
- Year 6: 95.0%

Congratulations to **Year 1** for the best attendance this week. Keep it up!

Each DAY a class achieves 100% attendance they get a letter from the word ATTENDANCE. When they have spelt it completely they get extra free play outside on the Friday afternoon. This way everyone can contribute over time #teamwork

- Reception: A T T E N
- Year 1: A T T E N D A N C
- Year 2: A T T E N D
- Year 3: A T T E N D A N C E
- Year 4: A
- Year 5: A T T E N D
- Year 6: A T T E

The importance of regular school attendance explained letter (sent 26.09.25)
Term time holidays and leave of absence letter (sent 26.09.25)





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Sports Diary Dates

11.03.2026

Football fixtures for football club at Monks Walk Astro

12.03.2026

Tag Rugby finals for some Year 6 at Monks Walk

17.03.2026

Football fixtures for football club at Monks Walk Astro

19.03.2026

Football festival at Monks Walk for some in Year 4

25.03.2026

Dance Festival at Campus West Theatre for dance club in the evening

Sports Updates



Well done to some of our Year 6 who attended a tag rugby finals at Monks Walk this week. It was a tough competition, albeit quite muddy! But as always, the team were dedicated and showed off their great skills against many other schools.



We are getting towards the final football fixtures for our team now at Monks Walk. Final few games to contribute to the league table... we will see when the results are in in the new term. Nevertheless, they have been committed since the start of the year to the club and league.



Have you been watching the Paralympics this year?

What incredible athletes with such strength and dedication to their sport! Discuss with your friends and families what inspirational talents we can see, which winter sport is your favourite or would you like to try yourself?



As always if you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

For further updates and information about sports and physical education at Homerswood please visit our webpage.





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Key dates

4th March - Holi

1st - 9th April - Passover

3rd April - Good Friday

5th April - Easter Sunday

6th April - Easter Monday

14th April - Vaisakhi

23rd April - St Georges Day

Celebrating Spiritual, Moral and Cultural Diversity

Every day at Homerswood, we encourage our pupils to be curious about the world, respectful of others, and proud of their own identity. Whether through exploring world faiths, celebrating cultural festivals, engaging in thoughtful discussions, or participating in creative projects, we strive to build a school community where diversity is valued and every voice matters.

Ramadan

Ramadan is a special and important month in the religion of Islam. In 2026, Ramadan began on the evening of 18th February and is expected to end on the evening of 18th March, depending on the sighting of the new moon. It is a time when Muslims around the world focus on prayer, reflection, kindness, and strengthening their faith.

During Ramadan, many Muslims fast each day from dawn until sunset. This means they do not eat or drink during daylight hours. The fast is broken each evening with a meal called iftar, which is often shared with family and friends. Fasting is one of the Five Pillars of Islam and is an important way for Muslims to practise self-discipline, gratitude, and empathy for people who may not always have enough food.

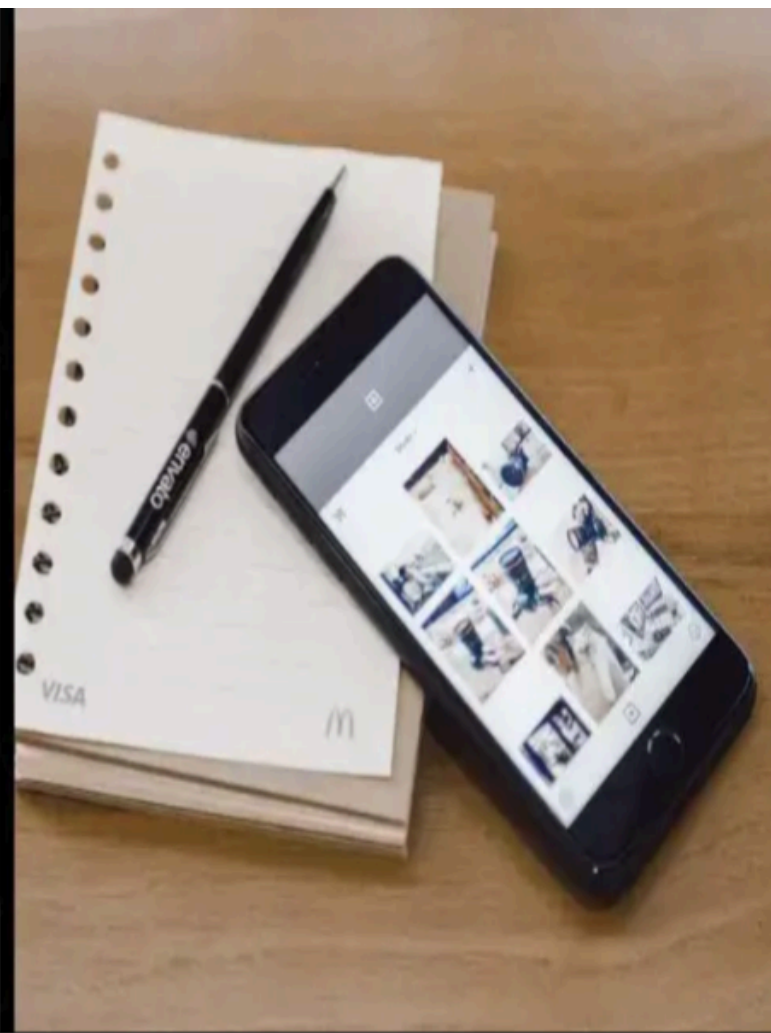


Ramadan is also a time for helping others and giving to charity. Many Muslims try to do extra good deeds, spend more time praying, and read from the Qur'an, the holy book of Islam. The end of Ramadan is marked by a joyful celebration called Eid al-Fitr, when families and communities gather to celebrate, share food, and give gifts.



We would love to invite families to come into school and share stories, traditions, or special activities that celebrate their culture with us.

If this is something you would be interested in, please contact the school office.



Telephone/Zoom Surgery

Thurs 19th March 2026

09:30 - 11:30am

* A chance to discuss your concerns with one of our School Family Workers

* 15 minute time-slot allocated

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**CULTUREWOOD OUTDOOR
HOLIDAY CLUB**

KIDS BUSHCRAFT CLUB

APRIL 9 & 10

All sessions led by
a qualified
experienced Forest
School Practitioner
& Ecologist

AT STANBOROUGH PARK, WGC

Join our Kids
Holiday Club for
days filled with
bushcraft, nature
and laughter

AGES 8-12
10am - 3pm

£45 PER
CHILD

BUSHCRAFTS

**MAKE
FRIENDS**

Thursday- Ancient Fire Skills, Wildlife Walk, & Den Building
Friday- Ancient Fire Skills, Nature Hunt, & Natural Crafts

Book in Advance:

Visit www.culturewood.co.uk or
book at Bookwhen/culturewood

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Is your child finding it hard to make friends?

The award-winning makers of *The Dog House* are **casting** for a brand-new **BBC** series about **friendship**.

We are looking for **children aged 5 to 8** from all over the UK who need a little help navigating the world of friendship. Over three days, a team of child psychologists will help them build the social skills and confidence to make real, lasting connections with other kids.

If you'd like to help your child make a new friend (with no pressure to take part), please apply at:

[bemyfriend.tv](https://www.bemyfriend.tv)

