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Diary dates

Monday 29th June

Nursery/Reception Farm Visit

Tuesday 30th June

Year 6 Food and Farming Show

Wednesday 1st July

Parent Forum 6

Thursday 2nd July

KS2 Production 1:30pm and 5:30pm

Tuesday 7th -10th July

Scholastic Book Fair

Thursday 9th July

Move up Day

Open Evening

Friday 10th July

End of Year Reports

Saturday 11th July

FOH Summer Fayre

Tuesday 14th July

Bastille day - French cafe

Thursday 16th July

Y6 Reflections at St Johns Church

Y1 Shepreth Trip

Y6 Trip pm (Email to follow next week)

Y6 Leavers Party 5pm

Monday 20th July

Thank you Assembly

House Team Picnic

Tuesday 21st July

Star of the Year Assembly

Wednesday 22nd July

Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 1am
School Closes at 1:45pm

Thursday 23rd July

INSET Day 5

Newsletter

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

Thank You

Thank you to all of our children, families and staff for your support during this week's exceptionally hot weather. We really appreciate everyone helping to ensure children came to school with water bottles, hats and sun cream, allowing us to keep everyone as comfortable and safe as possible.

We are pleased that the temperatures are expected to return to more typical levels next week, and we look forward to resuming our usual routines. As always, thank you for your continued support and flexibility in helping us provide the best possible environment for our children to learn and thrive

Year 6 Enterprise

A huge thank you to everyone who has supported our Year 6 Enterprise event. The children have worked incredibly hard to develop their business ideas, create their products and run their stalls, demonstrating fantastic teamwork, creativity and entrepreneurial skills.

Unfortunately, due to the exceptionally hot weather earlier this week, we had to close the stalls, and with lower pupil attendance because of the heat, many children and families missed the opportunity to visit.

To ensure everyone has the chance to support our young entrepreneurs, we will be reopening the Year 6 Enterprise stalls on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday next week at 3:20pm. We hope many of you will be able to come along and support the children's hard work while picking up some fantastic products. Thank you for helping to make this such a valuable and memorable learning experience for our Year 6 pupils!

School Trip Reminders

As we head into a busy period of school trips, please help your child to be prepared by ensuring they bring:

A named water bottle

A named sun hat

Sun cream applied before arriving at school.

These simple steps help us to keep children safe, comfortable and ready to enjoy their day of learning beyond the classroom.

Thank you for your support in helping all of our trips run smoothly



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Attendance Update



Whole School Attendance this week:
70.1%

Here are this week's attendance figures:

Nursery: 66.2%
Reception: 82.1%
Year 1: 72.9%
Year 2: 68.5%
Year 3: 66.4%
Year 4: 69.2%
Year 5: 67.6%
Year 6: 66.0%

Congratulations to **Reception** 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: ATTENDAN
Year 1: A T T
Year 2: A T T
Year 3: A T T E N D A N C E
Year 4: A T T E N D
Year 5: A T T E N D A
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)

Attendance Ladder		
How close is your child to 100%?		
0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned



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Sports Diary Dates

01.07.26

Welwyn Hatfield Games Year 5

02.07.26

Inspire and Engage TAP
Multisports Event Year 3 / 4

08.07.26

Water Polo Year 6

Sports Updates



Unfortunately, some of our planned sporting events had to be cancelled this week due to the hot weather. While it was disappointing not to take part, the safety and wellbeing of our children always comes first.

During periods of hot weather, it is important to drink plenty of water to stay hydrated, stay out of direct sunlight, and spend time in the shade or a cool room. Ensure you are wearing a sun hat and regularly applying sunscreen. Taking regular breaks indoors or in cool, shaded areas will help everyone stay safe and as comfortable as possible.

Try these activities at home to stay cool!

ICE PAINTING

A COOL & CREATIVE ACTIVITY!



HOW TO PLAY:

- 1 Fill an ice cube tray with water.
- 2 Add a few drops of food colouring to each section.
- 3 Insert a stick and freeze overnight.
- 4 Use the ice cubes like paintbrushes to create colourful masterpieces!

INDOORS OR IN THE SHADE

COOL, COLOURFUL AND SO MUCH FUN!

STAY COOL • STAY HYDRATED • STAY SAFE!

WATER RELAY

SPLASH, PASS, PLAY!



HOW TO PLAY:

- 1 Fill a sponge or cup with water.
- 2 Pass it to the next person to squeeze out the water into the bucket.
- 3 Keep going until the water reaches the finish!
- 4 Have fun and see how much water you can collect!

A FUN WAY TO STAY COOL AND WORK TOGETHER!

PLAY IN THE SHADE OR INDOORS TO STAY COOL!

STAY OUT OF THE SUN • DRINK WATER • STAY SAFE!



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

18th July - Nelson Mandela International Day

30th July - International Day of Friendship

28th August - Raksha Bandhan

5th September - International Day of Charity

6th September - National Read a Book Day

20th September - Yom Kippur

21st September - International Day of Peace and World Gratitude Day



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.

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.

World Music Day

World Music Day is celebrated each year on 21 June. In 2026, people around the world will mark the occasion on Sunday 21 June by enjoying and sharing music in their communities. The day celebrates the power of music to bring people together, regardless of language, age, or background.

Music is an important part of cultures across the world. From African drumming and Indian classical music to Caribbean steel pan bands and traditional folk songs from Europe, different styles of music help people express their history, beliefs, and traditions.

Listening to music from other cultures can help us appreciate the diversity of our world. It allows us to discover new instruments, rhythms, and sounds while learning about the lives and experiences of people in different countries.



World Music Day reminds us that music is a universal language. Whether people are singing, playing instruments, or listening to a favourite song, music can inspire creativity, build friendships, and create a sense of belonging.