

Junior NEWS ROUND UP



Date 20th July 2017

The Head's update



Dear Parents

Staff News

We say a fond farewell to Mrs Howe our Swimming teacher and to Mrs Posso who is relocating to Swansea.

Mrs Maidment is leaving Howell's after 18 years to look after her grandsons. We all will miss her and we hope she visits soon!

Leavers' Assembly

Year 6 girls conducted an impressive assembly yesterday, with all their memories and future aspirations. We wish you all the very best girls on your move to Year 7!

Quinn Cup

Mrs Ashill presented the prestigious Quinn Cup to Sophie W – well done Sophie!

Sports Day

This year marked a huge change for the Junior School, with Sports Day heading off-site for the first time ever. The fun was packed up and taken to the National Indoor Athletics Centre, a highly prestigious venue that hosts international events and national championships. The change in venue also brought about a change in style for Key Stage Two, who took part in a less traditional Quadrathlon this year. The pupils in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 all performed a standing long jump, 50 or 75m sprint, vortex howler throw and 400 or 600m run, earning points along the way. These points were combined to determine an overall individual victor for each year group, as well as the number one house for the afternoon. Key Stage One enjoyed a more traditional take on Sports Day, competing in the ever-popular egg and spoon, sack and obstacle races amongst others. After some great calculations at the end of the afternoon, Dewi were crowned the overall winners of Sports Day! Well done to all pupils and staff for getting involved so well with the events, and a special thank you to the parents for their unrivalled support from the seats!

Storey Arms

On the 10th July, year 6 set off for Storey Arms in Brecon. When we arrived we were given a safety briefing by the instructors and were allocated our rooms. After we changed we went in our activity groups, then we did a string trail. The week was filled with fun activities such as caving, gorge walking and canoeing. We managed to conquer our fears by jumping Looney's Leap, which was 8m high! Thank you so much to our teachers, Storey Arms was one of the best trips we have ever had!

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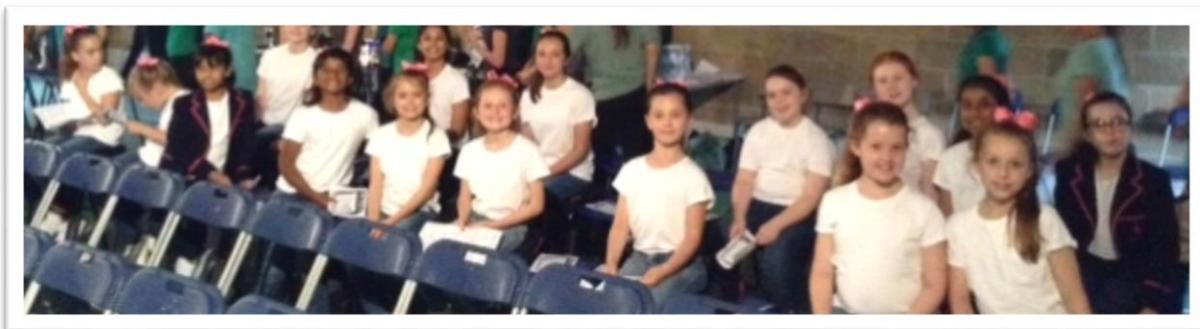
Aesop!

'Aesop' was the summer show held by Year 5 and 6. It was a funny take on the popular fables with twists and links. The year 6s were lucky enough to receive a script with their allocated parts, while Year 5 did some fabulous dancing and singing. The show overall was a complete success and everyone had an experience of a lifetime and we still can't forget the brilliant songs.



JCC

Last night, the Junior Competition Choir (JCC) were special guests at the Senior School Summer Concert in the Sports Hall. The theme of the concert was Once Upon a Time and our choir, made up of 27 girls from Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 sang the haunting song, Lady Dressed in White and a medley of songs from Disney's Beauty and the Beast. The choir sang superbly and received rapturous applause from the capacity audience. Thank you girls for your hard work, patience, professionalism and the wonderful performance! Your teachers and parents were very proud of you!



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Junior Flute Ensemble

The Junior Flute Ensemble were the warm up act to today's Sports Presentation Assembly. Four of our younger flautists, accompanied by their flute tutor, Ms Jane Groves, played a foot tapping rendition of Yellow Bird to get the Sports Award Assembly off to a flying start!



Meet the Teacher

On Wednesday 6th September at 6pm, Meet the Teacher will take place in your daughter's classroom.

Junior School Club Fair

On the first day of the new term, Wednesday 6th September, parents and girls are invited to our first Junior School Club Fair. The fair will take place in the Junior School hall between 3.15pm to 6.00pm. We hope this will be a great opportunity for you to meet all the club providers, gain information on the extra-curricular clubs on offer in the Junior School, ask questions and sign your daughter up for any clubs directly with the clubs leader.

We really hope you will be able to join us either at the end of the school day or before the Meet the Teacher meetings at 6pm.

The autumn term club timetable will be emailed to parents at the beginning of September, before the start of term.

Uniform

In September, girls have the choice to return in summer or winter uniform depending on the weather. Please remember our no jewellery policy, which includes earrings.

It's time to give your recorder a holiday bath!

We are sending the girls' recorders home over the holidays and are politely requesting that they be given a clean out! The simplest way is to take the instrument apart and let it soak in a bowl of warm soapy water for an hour or so. Then rinse the parts through and have a look inside - there should not be anything visible! Finally, reassemble the instrument. Many thanks for doing this. The girls will now start the new school year with a clean instrument, which might also produce a better sound!

Mr Beckett

Spanish club

We are very pleased that Laetitia Davies and Ana Torres-Miller will be running our after school Spanish clubs from September. Both work within the language department of Senior School. We will email parents with their contact details over the holidays in order to enrol any girls into Spanish club.

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Message from Mrs Davis

From September we will be welcoming a school dog, a beautiful golden retriever puppy, to the Howell's family who will be looked after by my PA, Mrs Toogood. During final assembly this morning I launched a competition to name the puppy and the winner of the competition was Year 6's Sophie W. The puppy is called Disney.

Over 300 Local Primary School Children Delight in Summer Concert

It was a pleasure to welcome over 300 Primary School children from Radnor and Lansdowne Primary Schools to Howell's on Tuesday 18th July. [Click here](#) for more information.

Back to School for the Class of 1986

On Saturday 15th July, 40 Hywelians who left Howell's in 1986 gathered in the Stone Hall for a reunion with their former peers. [Click here](#) for more information.

Hywelian News

Congratulations to former Howell's Head Girl Danielle Treharne, from the Class of 2003, who has been named one of Management Today's 35 under 35 women in management. [Click here](#) for more information.

Keeping Score

The latest edition of our Sport newsletter, Keeping Score, is available to read by [clicking here](#).

Parent Blog

The latest instalment of our Parent Blog is available to read by [clicking here](#).

TOOT over the summer

TOOT will be held in the **Junior School Hall** for the four summer weeks so, for drop off and pick up, come along to Hazelwood playground and enter through the Hall doors.

If you need to contact TOOT during the day, please email TOOT@how.gdst.net or ring the school number **02920562019 Extension 198**

Useful things to bring: The timetable of activities is below, so that you know when we are swimming and going out on our trips. A waterproof coat each day is very useful as we do spend a great deal of time outdoors and we would be grateful if you could apply sun cream on the sunny days.

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And finally.....

Good luck to our Year 6 girls as they transfer to Year 7 and to our girls who are leaving us today to go on to pastures new.

On behalf of the teachers and teaching assistants, I would like to thank you all for the lovely cards, gifts and your continued support.

I wish you all a relaxing summer holiday; see you on **Wednesday 6th September**.

Mrs Judith Ashill
Head of Howell's Junior School
Deputy Principal

Diary Dates

John Lewis Uniform Fitting Evening

On Wednesday 16th August from 3-8pm, John Lewis will be holding an exclusive uniform fitting event for Howell's at their store in Cardiff. To book please call 02920 536 088 and ask for the Schoolwear Department to make a uniform fitting appointment. [Click here](#) for more information.

The Great Hall Crystal Ball

On Friday 8th December 2017, Howell's School will be holding The Great Hall Crystal Ball, organised by the Parent Pyramid, in the magnificent surroundings of the newly restored Great Hall. Tickets will be available from September.

Junior School Dates

Monday 4 th September	Inset Day
Tuesday 5 th September	Inset Day
Wednesday 6 th September	First Day of Autumn Term
Wednesday 6 th September	3.15pm – 6pm Junior School Clubs Fair 6pm Meet the Teacher

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Summer TOOT Holiday Care Club Timetable

for 3 - 9 year olds

Monday 24th July - Friday 18th August 2017



Reminders

If you have booked your child into TOOT over the summer, please read these reminders.

On **Mondays and Fridays** we will be swimming so don't forget costume, towel and hat.

On **Thursdays** we have trips out so do bring along a waterproof coat and shoes or trainers for walking.

TOOT Timetable with Themed Activities

Monday/Friday swimming, Tuesday - dance, Wednesday - cookery, Thursday - trip out

Week 1 24 - 28th July - The World of Disney

Making character masks, desk buddy trolls, Disney puppets, Mickey/Minnie cupcakes and Magic Show (Wed). Trip to Disney store for drawing workshop with road train picnic.

Week 2 31st July - 4th August - Island Holidays

Grass skirt and Lei making, Moana necklaces and dressing up dolls, sea turtles, fruit cones and Hawaiian Pizza. Trip to Barry Island and Porthkerry Park.

Week 3 7 - 11th August - Slow boat to China

Paper lanterns and fans, Kung Fu Pandas, Dragon puppets, Chinese drums and Fortune cookies. Chinese activity and food tasting morning with games in Llandaff Fields.

Week 4 14 - 18th August - The Dinosaurs are coming

Model dinosaurs and key rings, dinosaur babies, volcanoes, candle making and fossil biscuits. Trip to National Museum Dinosaur Babies Exhibition and Picnic in the Park.

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if you haven't yet booked. Some places are still available!

The cost is £40 per day to include breakfast, lunch, snacks, tea, visits and activities.