

# London Meed Primary School

Bravery Curiosity Resilience Community Respect

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Despite the uncertainty of the weather, Sports Day was a huge success and I am so pleased that it went ahead. Having the Community Picnic straight afterwards appeared to work very well and it was lovely to see so many families attending both events. The children were clearly enjoying themselves and rooting for their houses. Congratulations go to Hastings who are the cup winners this year!

An event like this takes an awful lot of planning and a massive thank you goes to Miss Griffiths for organising Sports Day and ensuring everyone knew what they were doing.



This week we have held our first Art Exhibition which has been extremely well attended by parents and carers. Children have voted for their favourite piece of art work and the winners will be announced next week in assembly. The idea for the exhibition and its organisation was all down to our Art Subject Leader, Mrs K Smith with help from our junior and adult governors. Thank you very much Mrs Smith.

This is just a quick reminder that there are two non-uniform days coming up on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July. All children are invited to wear non school uniform in exchange for a minimum of £1 donation which will go towards the cost of running the Summer Fair and Colour Run which is taking place on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July from 1-4pm. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Our Transition Day will be taking place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. Children in EYFS and Years 1-5 will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher and classroom assistant(s) after morning break and spend the session with them up until lunchtime. Parents and Carers will receive an email at midday with next year's staff structure and class destinations. Parents and Carers will have the opportunity to say goodbye to their child's existing teacher and hello to their new teacher from 3.15pm-4.15pm on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Existing teachers will be located in their current classroom. There will be another opportunity to meet your child's new teacher at the start of Autumn term.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

**Natalie Langtree, Head teacher**

## Year 2 Fire Service visit



The Fire and Rescue Service came to visit Year 2 this week. This was great fun and the children loved it! They were given a tour around the engine, were told about all of the equipment on board and what it was used for and had the opportunity to ask some brilliant questions. They also listened to the sirens and each had a go at spraying water using the hoses. The children were taught some key fire safety tips for keeping themselves and others safe and learned about the role of firefighters today.

Our thanks go to the Fire and Rescue Service,  
Year 2 Team

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## Y5/6 Cricket competition



Nine of our Year 5 and 6 children played at a cricket countdown competition at Ansty on Monday. This was the first time the team has played together in a competitive match with some

never having played a competitive match before. They worked hard as a team demonstrating some great fielding and batting with boundaries/wickets and catches. They won 3 of their 5 games and came 3rd in the competition.

## Sussex Cricket game



A selection of Year 5 and 6 children got to spend the day at Hove cricket ground watching a Sussex cricket game. It was great seeing our children being part of our wider community cheering

the local Hove team to a storming win.

## London Meed Hero Awards

Many congratulations to our pupils who have been awarded this week's London Meed Hero Award: please note it is one child per class for all year groups.

Name of child	Class	Reason
Grace S.	6B	For producing a detailed and accurate Tudor Timeline and for an informative and beautifully presented animal fact file for Home Learning. Brilliant work, Grace!
Eddie	6H	For showing curiosity during our learning about the Tudors and producing detailed research about King Henry VIII. Well done Eddie!

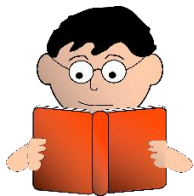
Dexter	5D	For showing resilience in maths when solving word problems involving multiplication and division. Keep it up, Dexter!
Leighton	5S	for showing bravery and resilience when overcoming difficult emotions and situations. You should be proud Leighton, well done!
Diana	4O	For a super attitude to learning, demonstrating community through working well with any talk partner and curiosity in asking questions.
Isla A	4P	For always showing a positive attitude to her learning which shines through in the work she produces.
Taylor	3C	For making an excellent start and including all the features, when planning her newspaper report.
Emily B	3M	For using a loud voice and showing bravery during our play. Well done!
Ethan	2K	For working hard on your London visitors guide this week and sharing interesting facts and information.
Rosie	2M	For using interesting vocabulary in her descriptions of London. Well done Rosie!
Toby	1S	For working really hard to show the school values in everything you do. Well done Toby!
Elsie	1M	for always being respectful and trying her best. Elsie is a pleasure to spend time learning with and has shown she can be a great friend to others. Well done Elsie!

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Jack	Apples	For writing a brilliant information book about dinosaurs.
Charlie	Apples	For a great attitude to learning and becoming a much more independent learner.
Emma	Cherries	For being a kind and fun friend.
Carter B.	Cherries	For using words and signs to communicate lots of interesting things to us.



## Summer Reading Challenge

Summer Reading Challenge starts next month. Exciting rewards await children aged four to 11 who take part in this year's Summer Reading

Challenge in their local library. The theme is 'Marvellous Makers' and the fun starts on Saturday 13 July. If you're not a member yet, it's free to join the library and free to take part!

The challenge is to choose and read some amazing library books over the school holiday. Children who take part also receive a fab fold-out poster and scratch-and-sniff stickers to track their progress. The more they read, the more exciting rewards they will receive!

There are fun activities too, including a Character Hunt with a prize draw.

Those who complete the challenge by Saturday 14 September are rewarded with a medal and certificate. There's even a Mini Challenge for children under four.

To [Find out more](#) please click the link.

## Repair Cafe



On Monday, this week Years 2 and 4 were visited by Keith and Val from the Repair Cafe. They talked to the children about the importance of repairing and reusing items rather than throwing them away and challenged the children to spot the repair on a range of items. The

children also got to see electrical and textile items repaired in front of them. A massive thank you to the Repair Cafe for their time.

## Year 3 Performances

On Tuesday, our Year 3 children performed plays they had written about Pompeii to their parents and carers. Well done to all the children for demonstrating our school values of bravery and resilience.

## Football winners



On Saturday, Burgess Hill Juniors Black U10 team won the Hurstpierpoint Summer Tournament - Winning five games and drawing one. They didn't

concede a single goal all day!

In the team - Aaron, James, Lukas, Oli and Seth from Year 5. Well done boys!

## West Sussex Family Hub

There is a Family Hub in Penn Crescent Haywards Heath that is open to all families. Family hubs offer a range of support, information and guidance to parents, carers and young people as part of Early Help. Hubs are open for you to drop in and speak to our staff Monday to Friday during opening times on a whole range of issues affecting you and your family. They also have public access computers to use, free of charge, as well as social spaces available to meet other parents.

We have staff in all our hubs on the front desk who can offer information, advice and guidance. They can help you with: finding childcare, applying for free childcare entitlement, finding local activities and support services, pregnancy and early child development, Parenting and health advice for you and your family, how to access local housing services crisis support, such as emergency access to food and utilities, personal finance and the benefits you may be entitled to. For further information please click on the link.

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/find-a-family-hub/mid-sussex-family-hub/#>.

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## Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, nursery or playgroup when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK.

These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't. For more guidance please visit <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

If you do keep your child at home, it's important to notify the school on the first day before 9.20am to let them know that your child won't be in and give them the reason. You can leave a message on the absence line 01444 232336 or report their absence on the Study Bugs App If your child is well enough to go to school but has an infection that could be passed on, such as a cold sore or head lice, please let their teacher know via their year group email address.

## Mental Health Concerns

If you have concerns about your child's mental health or if they are in crisis please contact the "Sussex Mental Health Helpline" for free on 0800 0309 500 or via 111 (Option 2). This helpline is open 24/7 365 days a year.

If you feel your child presents with risks to self or others or is at risk of harm from others please make a direct referral to the **Integrated Front Door Service (IFD)** by either calling **01403 229 900** or email [wschildrenservices@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:wschildrenservices@westsussex.gov.uk)

IFD is best placed to offer advice and provide support regarding risk. Please also advise the school of any referral that you make.

## Term Dates 2023-24

For WSCC term dates please visit

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-term-dates/>  
**Academic Year 2023-2024 term dates including**

### INSET Days

**Summer term 2024**

Last day of term Tuesday 23rd July

Please find below the INSET days for the next academic year 2024/2025.

Monday 2nd September 2024

Friday 25th October 2024

Friday 14th February 2025

Friday 23rd May 2025

Monday 2nd June 2025

Here is the link to the WSCC term dates

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-term-dates/>

## Forthcoming events

To view forthcoming diary dates please visit our Online calendar which can be accessed via our website [www.londonmeedprimary.co.uk](http://www.londonmeedprimary.co.uk)

Year Group/Class	PE days
Apples	Tuesday and Friday
Cherries	Monday and Wednesday
Year 1	Wednesday and Thursday
Year 2	Tuesday and Friday
Year 3	Wednesday and Friday
Year 4	Monday and Friday
Year 5	Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 6	Monday and Thursday

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## SUMMER FAYRE

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### Summer Fayre Dog Show

We're teaming up with the team at Heath Vets to bring an amazing Dog Show to Summer Fayre this year!

**Sunday 23 June: 12 - 2pm**

We'll have several categories to enter on the day. Each class is £1 and you can enter on the morning of the event.

- Perfect Puppy (under 18 months)
- Most Handsome Hound
- Prettiest Pooch
- Best Rescue
- Best Trick

#### Caring for someone?

Last week was Carers Week (10 to 16 June), and if you are an unpaid carer you could be eligible for free local support.

Anyone who provides unpaid care for a friend or family member who cannot cope without their support, due to illness, disability, a mental health problem or an addiction, can be classed as a family or friend carer.

Visit Carers Support West Sussex's [Carers Smart Search](#) tool to find information and services.

Practical and emotional support for young carers aged under 18 is provided by our [West Sussex Young Carers Service](#), and wellbeing support for a young person up to the age of 25 is available from e-wellbeing.

## open air

Music in St John's Park  
Burgess Hill

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### Open-Air Music in the Park

Get ready to get up and moving for our amazing evening of music in St John's Park, from 6 - 8:30pm, on Friday 5 July!

#### Dance, Sing and Groove!

We'll have three amazing performers to get you up and moving!

- Amber T - young talent and BBC Introducing star!
- Clementine - eclectic acoustic musician
- And our headliners... Disco B'stards - groovy four-piece disco, sure to get you up and moving!

The whole evening is free - just turn up!

Bring picnic blankets and chairs. Food is available to purchase, but attendees are recommended to bring their own picnics too!

Check out the Town Council social media for more information!



## SUMMER SATURDAY

**SATURDAY 13 JULY**

With special guest **Gemma Hunt**  
from CBeebies Swashbuckle

A fun-filled, action packed pirate adventure including an interactive show, singing and crafts!



Find out more and book online at:  
[tkc.org.uk/summersaturday](http://tkc.org.uk/summersaturday)

