



London Meed Primary School Newsletter

30th September 2024

Bravery Curiosity Resilience Community Respect

What a wet start to the week. We really hope the weather clears up soon and that we have some lovely Autumn sunshine to warm us all up.

Last week, Year 2 had an amazing trip to Arundel castle. Members of the public were so impressed with their behaviour and repeatedly told the adults this - what great ambassadors our children are; this is always so lovely to hear. Despite the rain, the children had a great time, including trying on knight's armour, exploring the castle and looking down into the dungeons, which was a bit spooky!

Thank you to everyone who attended the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions. We really hope these were useful. We find it really beneficial from our side to meet with you and answer any questions that you may have.

Some of our Year 3 and Year 4 children went to a Football Festival with Miss McConnell last week. This was aimed at children who wouldn't normally play football as they got to try different football related activities. Again, our children were so well behaved and Miss McConnell was very proud of all of them. Well done Team London Meed!

This week, Year 1 are off to Wakehurst to try some fantastic woodland activities. Fingers crossed that the weather is better for them.

We have individual photos tomorrow - please remember to bring your child in school uniform ready for this. 5A are going first, before swimming, then Reception and the rest of the school.

Reminders:

Coats - we have noticed that some children are coming into school each day without coats. As our British weather is so unpredictable and we go from sun to rain and back again in one morning, they do need coats.

Amazon Wish Lists - we have set up Amazon Wish lists for each year group and for Special Needs provision. As you may be aware, school budgets are very tight and some resources that we need, we struggle to afford as they are in constant use. The staff will be adding to these throughout the year. Please pass our wish lists on to relatives who may be happy to buy things from them. **It is important that when you order, you put a message inside with the delivery saying which year group it is for and who it is from so the children can say thank you to that child.**

EYFS

<https://amzn.eu/i9G1rlm>



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Year 1

<https://amzn.eu/9mK2jpx>

Year 2

<https://amzn.eu/2kD7gYv>

Year 3

<https://amzn.eu/iGSxtVp>

Year 4

<https://amzn.eu/84lbWMy>

Year 5

<https://amzn.eu/dYucRra>

Year 6

<https://amzn.eu/9JiNJVo>

SEN Support

<https://amzn.eu/7Lor7mH>

London Meed

<https://amzn.eu/37ZfDXi>

World Mental Health Day - Come together in yellow - 10 October 2024

Every year, thousands of schools, companies and communities come together to make World Mental Health Day that little bit brighter by wearing something yellow and donating £1 to YoungMinds.

Right now, the world is a really tough place for children and young people to grow up in. We want young people to know that they don't have to go through this alone. Things can get better. This World Mental Health Day, wear yellow with thousands of others across the UK and raise money to show young people that they're not alone with their mental health. Because we stand brighter, together.



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Harvest:

This year we are collecting for The Pantry food bank in Burgess Hill. They are coming in on Monday 14th October for a Harvest Assembly with the school. Please can Harvest donations come in on this day. They would like:

- Biscuits
- Tinned soup, tomatoes and fruit i.e. all tinned!
- Pasta Sauces
- Ketchup
- Jam and marmalade
- Lunchbox snacks
- Small packets of tea bags
- Hot chocolate
- Squash
- Cereal

School Community News:



This is a picture of Edie P from Cherry class and Brooke P in 5D. Edie completed her first bonfire procession with the Sussex Supreme baton Twirlers alongside Brooke on Saturday night showing bravery and resilience and did it all with a big smile on her face.



Vincent attended his first ever Taekwondo tournament at the South East Championships this weekend and came away with a silver medal in sparring. He did brilliantly to overcome his fears and the noise in the hall. Gordon and Amanda have done an amazing job teaching Vinnie .



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Many congratulations to our pupils who have been awarded this week's London Meed Hero Award.

<i>Name of child</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Reason</i>
Isla P	6B	For being a role model for our school community by sharing her creative writing which used descriptive language and advanced grammatical structures. Well done, Isla!
Finley	6H	For showing determination and resilience when rounding numbers to the nearest 1,000, 10,000, 100,000 and 1,000,000 in Maths lessons this week. Well done!
Molly S	5D	For showing curiosity and creativity when creating a newspaper report about the Viking raid on Lindisfarne. In her writing, she was able to use Year 5 grammar features (such as relative clause, semicolons and conjunctive adverbs) independently and was able to self-assess her writing against the success criteria so she knew how to edit and improve her work. Well done, Molly!
Vinnie	5A	For showing Resilience whilst writing his newspaper report on the Vikings.
Abigail G	4S	For showing community by always engaging with her peers and helping them in group discussions.
Theo M	4N	For his remarkable resilience during Maths. Theo persevered with the column method - he can now add and subtract with 2 and 3 digit numbers. He is even challenging himself with 4 digit numbers! He always tries his best and we couldn't be more pleased with him! Well done, Theo!
James F	3T	Persevering with your learning, committing to the time goals set by your teachers, and often exceeding expectations. Miss Tooes and Mrs Terry are so proud of you!
Leo	3M	For always being on task and ready to learn. He is a fabulous role model for London Meed and he always tries his best. He has also shown resilience this week when comparing numbers to 1000. Well done Leo!
The whole class	2S	For showing the school values of community and respect whilst on our trip to Arundel Castle. You behaved brilliantly! Well done.
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Henry	1C	For showing resilience, curiosity and excitement when creating and writing about your monster. Really well done Henry
Tate	1M	For being curious and continuing his learning at home too. Well done Tate!



Forthcoming diary dates

Date	Event
1st Oct	School Photographer in school for the day to take individual and sibling (current pupils) photos.
3rd Oct	Census Day
4th Oct	Y1 visit to Wakehurst
7th Oct	Multiskills for some Year 1 and Year 2 children pm
10th Oct	Wear yellow for World Mental Health Day
14th Oct	Harvest donations for The Pantry
15th Oct	EYFS visit to the library (details to follow)
16th Oct	EYFS 6 week in meeting for parents 9-10am (details to follow)
16th Oct	'Biscuit & Banter' with Miss Dowley at 2.30pm
17th Oct	EYFS 6 week in meeting for parents 9-10am (details to follow)
18th Oct	Y4 visit to the National History Museum (details to follow)
24th Oct	Disco 3.15 - 4.00 - Year 1 and Year 2 4.15 - 5.00 - Year 3 and Year 4 5.15 - 6.00 - Year 5 and Year 6
25th Oct	INSET Day - school closed to pupils



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28th Oct - 1st Nov	Half term - school closed to pupils
8th Nov	Non Uniform day - Chocolate donations for Christmas Fair
11th Nov	Mastering Numbers session for parents of children in The Orchard with Mrs Denham and Mrs Balan. Details to follow.
12th Nov and 14th Nov	Parents evenings- details to follow
15th Nov	Children In Need - non uniform day
20th Nov	Biscuit and Banter with Miss Dowley at 2.30pm
22nd Nov	Non uniform day - donations for Rainbow tombola at Christmas fair
29th Nov	EYFS to Toy Museum
29th Nov	Non Uniform day - Bottle donations for Christmas Fair
30th Nov	Christmas Fair at school from 2.00pm to 5.00pm
18th Dec	Biscuit and Banter with Miss Dowley at 2.30pm
19th Dec	Key Stage 2 Carol Concert
20th Dec	Break up for Christmas holidays at 3.15pm

Term Dates 2024-2025

For WSCC term dates please visit

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

London Meed Academic Year 2024-2025 term dates including INSET Days

Autumn Term 2024

INSET DAY - Monday 2nd September

Starts Tuesday 3rd September

INSET DAY - Friday 25th October

Half term 28th October - 1st November

Children return Monday 4th November

Last day of term Friday 20th December

Spring term 2025

Starts Monday 6th January

INSET DAY - Friday 14th February

Half term 17th February to 21st February

Children return Monday 24th February

Last day of term Friday 4th April

Easter Holidays 7th to 21st April



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Summer term 2025

Starts Tuesday 22nd April

Bank Holiday - 5th May

INSET DAY - Friday 23rd May Half term 26th May to 30th May

INSET DAY Monday 2nd June

Last day of term Tuesday 22nd July



London Meed Association

Our LMA has got some great events coming. Please save the following dates:



Disco:

Thursday 24th October 2025

3.15 - 4.00 - Year 1 and Year 2

4.15 - 5.00 - Year 3 and Year 4

5.15 - 6.00 Year 5 and Year 6

Bookings via PTA Events will be available soon

Christmas Fair:

Saturday 30th November from 2.00pm to 5.00pm

In preparation for the Christmas Fair we will have the following donation days all of which are non-uniform:

Friday 8th November - chocolate donations

Friday 22nd November - Rainbow tombola donations

Friday 29th November - bottles donations



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.

Please remember to send your child in their PE kits on their allocated PE day below:

PE days

Apples - Monday and Thursday

Cherries - Tuesday and Friday

Yr1 - Wednesday and Thursday

Yr2 - Tuesday and Friday

Yr3 - Wednesday and Friday

Yr4 - Tuesday and Thursday

Yr5 - Tuesday and Wednesday

Yr6 - Monday and Thursday