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Spring really is here - what glorious weather we are having and it feels so much warmer. I cannot believe we are almost at the end of the Spring term - where has this year gone so far?! Last week saw our Year 6 take part in Bikeability. This is where they learn to ride their bikes safely on the road. The children thoroughly enjoyed taking part and practising their skills. Please see below for photos. Year 3 and Year 4 took part in a net games festival and they learnt some new games, including pickleball. They had such good fun and of course, were amazing ambassadors for our school.

This week, sees the rounding up of the Spring term topics for all classes. On Wednesday, two of our Junior Governors are off to the Burgess Hill Youth Council meeting.

Thursday is our LMA discos; Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are from 3.15pm to 4.00pm; Year 3 and Year 4 are from 4.15pm to 5.00pm; and finally Year 5 and Year 6 are from 5.15pm to 6.00pm. Please make sure you have bought your tickets ready. A HUGE thank you to our LMA for putting these on.

Friday is a really busy day. <u>School is open as normal on Friday, and not an INSET day.</u> We have our Easter Egg raffle in the morning. Thank you to all the donations we have had so farthe more we get, the greater the number of children who get to win an egg. Please make sure you have donated an egg for this, even if it is a creme egg. Raffle tickets will be on sale until Thursday after school. Remember it is £1 per ticket.

We then have the reward for the winning house - this term sees Lewes take the lead and reap the reward of an extra playtime. We also have our termly book raffle on the last day, followed by the Year 6 reward for those children who help at lunchtime.

We hope you all have the most wonderful Spring break and we look forward to seeing you all on **Tuesday 22nd April** for the start of the Summer term.

Miss Dowley

#### **Baby News:**

We are so pleased to announce that Mrs Garwood gave birth to a beautiful baby boy. She has already brought him in to meet the children who were so excited to see him. Congratulations to the whole of the Garwood family.



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#### **Reminders:**

- We have noticed that many children, including pre-schoolers, are playing on the equipment both before and after school both on the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 playgrounds. We do ask that you do not allow children to play on these. We are only insured for school children during school hours and we would hate for an accident to happen. Can we also ask that you leave the school site promptly once you have collected your child rather than spending time letting the children play. Staff have meetings straight after school and need to close the gates quickly. Thank you.
- Since having the new pavement completed outside the front of the school, they have dropped the curb. We have noticed an increase in people pulling up outside the front of the school and we are concerned that this is going to lead to a child getting hit by a car. We know parking is an issue but we have to prioritise our communities safety at all times. Please be responsible when driving and parking. Thank you.
- Clubs Please be reminded, there will be no clubs this week (other than Rhythm Masters) as we head into the Easter Holidays.



Throughout last week, Year 6 took part in their Bikeability course with the instructors from WSCC, learning how to safely cycle on the roads. Well done to all that took part!

We were pleased to welcome the Repair Cafe this week, demonstrating to our Year 2 and Year 4 classes some of their skills. They can be found in the town opposite the library on the second Saturday of each month with volunteers offering their best to repair items, saving them from landfill!



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On Tuesday, some year 3 children went to Haywards Heath College to take part in a sporting festival that introduced them to badminton, pickleball, volleyball and tennis skills. They all had great fun learning new skills and using new equipment to play games and complete tasks. They were all well behaved and were great representatives of London Meed. Well done!









#### **Easter Raffle OPEN:**

We are running an Easter Egg raffle with tickets available from the office until 3rd April. Raffle tickets cost £1 a ticket - you can either buy them at the office or we will be selling them on the gate after school each day starting from Thursday 20th March. We are looking for donations of eggs for the raffle - any size or flavour is accepted however please ensure they are nut free. We do have some 'Free From' eggs for those children who have allergies or dietary requirements but some more donations of these would help. Please send your Easter Egg donations into the office ready for Friday 4th April. Thanks so much for your help.

#### Year 6 End Of Year Show Sponsorship

Year 6 are looking forward to their end of year production - what it is going to be is top secret! The licence for their show is £500 (this is a standard price) and we wondered if there were any parents or businesses that would like to sponsor this - your name would be on the programmes that go out and our posters (great advertising for businesses). It might be that you can sponsor half of this. Please let us know if this is something you can help us with. Thanks.



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We are excited to confirm it will soon be disco time here at London Meed on the 3rd April! The LMA have kindly arranged an Easter Disco for all pupils. Please ensure tickets are purchased via the link below:

Disco Tickets

#### 3rd April

- EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 3.15-4pm
- Year 3 and Year 4 4.15-5pm
- Year 5 & Year 6 5.15-6pm

#### **LMA News**

Clare, our current Chair of the LMA, is stepping down from the LMA. We want to take this

opportunity to thank her for all her hard work raising vital funds for our school. She has done a fantastic job and enabled the school to have many new resources. We know that the Christmas Fair was a great success alongside other events such as the Colour Run and school discos. We wish her the best of luck in her new ventures. As a result, we are looking for a new Chair, and volunteers, for our LMA and continue to raise money for the school. More details to follow regarding an LMA meeting to appoint new roles.

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

Name of child	Class	Reason
James G	6B	For always upholding the school values of resilience and respect, for being a conscientious learner, a great friend and a brilliant role model. Keep it up, James!
Safah	6H	For demonstrating curiosity and enthusiasm when writing a speech about world peace this week. Fantastic effort Safah!
Leia	5A	For demonstrating increasing confidence and resilience in all of her work. Also, for always being a kind and polite member of our class and school community
Harvey	5D	For showing resilience when completing his assessments this week. Well done, Harvey!



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Henley	45	Showing resilience to create an interesting and informative non-chronological report on anacondas, you tried really hard to include all of the features on the success criteria, well done
Guntaj	4N	For making more respectful choices when playing with his friends. Guntaj is beginning to play nicely with others on a consistent basis, and seeks support when he has any issues. Well done for making good choices, Guntaj!
Amelia	3T	Creating some fantastic descriptive writing about a character in English using adjectives, expanded noun phrases and similes. Keep up the good work!
Rafael	3M	For showing fantastic community values when working with other children in the classroom. You are kind and supportive and have deepened your understanding of measuring capacity and volume through reasoning with others. Well done, Rafael!
Erlil	2S	For always being respectful, polite and kind. You show the school value of community in everything you do. You work hard, work well with others and you are a lovely member of the class.  Well done Erlil!
Joshua	20	Always being ready to learn - showing respect to adults and children through good listening and attitudes to his work.
Reggie	1M	Being resilient when learning. This week Reggie has tried really hard to use phonics with greater independence to write the story of Peter Pan. I am super proud of you Reggie!
Haven	1C	For showing resilience and determination during maths this week. You have worked really hard to understand how to use different coins to make the same amount. Very well done Haven.
Ava	Apples	For great effort and care in her writing this week and working independently to write sentences. Also, for being a kind and thoughtful friend. Well done.
Lyra	Cherries	For trying so hard to improve her reading and maths, at home and at school. Well done!



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If you have any issues or questions in the first instance please email your child's class teacher via their year group email address or alternatively email <a href="mailto:office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk">office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</a> who will then forward your email onto the relevant member of staff. Please do not send emails to individual members of staff as, if they are not in school, the email will not be read.

theorchard@londonmeedprimary.co.uk	The Orchard
year1@londonmeedprimary.co.uk	Year 1
year2@londonmeedprimary.co.uk	Year 2
year3@londonmeedprimary.co.uk	Year 3
year4@londonmeedprimary.co.uk	Year 4
year5@londonmeedprimary.co.uk	Year 5
year6@londonmeedprimary.co.uk	Year 6

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

Apples - Monday and Thursday

Cherries - Tuesday and Friday

Y1 - Wednesday and Thursday

Y2 - Tuesday and Friday

Y3 - Wednesday and Friday

Y4 - Tuesday and Thursday

Y5 - Tuesday and Wednesday

Y6 - Monday and Thursday

Amazon Wish Lists - Thank you so much for your overwhelming support with this.

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. Please also ensure you order through the list as this will then remove the item so it is not purchased again.

EYFS <a href="https://amzn.eu/i9G1rlm">https://amzn.eu/i9G1rlm</a>

Year 1 <a href="https://amzn.eu/9mK2jpx">https://amzn.eu/9mK2jpx</a>

Year 2 https://amzn.eu/2kD7gYv

Year 3 https://amzn.eu/iGSxtVp

Year 4 https://amzn.eu/84lbWMy

Year 5 <a href="https://amzn.eu/dYucRra">https://amzn.eu/dYucRra</a>

Year 6 <a href="https://amzn.eu/9JiNJVo">https://amzn.eu/9JiNJVo</a>

SEN Support https://amzn.eu/7Lor7mH

London Meed New Nurture Room and Sensory room https://amzn.eu/37ZfDXi



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#### **School Community News**

#### SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH PARENTAL SEPARATION AND DIVORCE WEBINAR

#### SATURDAY 26 APRIL 2025, 10AM- 12 MIDDAY

Welcome to our online event on Supporting Children with Parental Separation and Divorce. Join us for a discussion on how to help children navigate the challenges of separation and divorce in a positive and healthy way. Our expert speaker will share valuable insights and therapeutic practical tips to support children during this big life change. Register now and empower yourself with the knowledge to support your children in settling into a new family structure. Price: £28

To book please go to: Book Supporting Children with Parental Separation and Divorce

# ANXIETY TOOLKIT FOR PARENTS AND CARERS WEBINAR, SATURDAY 24 MAY 2025, 10AM- 12 MIDDAY

Are you feeling overwhelmed by your child's anxiety? Join us for this online event where Your Space Therapies will provide you with therapeutic practical tools and strategies to help you support your child. The expert speaker will share valuable, easy to implement strategies to navigate through challenging situations and promote your child's well-being. Register now and equip yourself with the tools to better understand and support your child to manage anxiety.

Price: £28

To book please go to: Book Anxiety Toolkit for Parents and Carers



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#### **Forthcoming diary dates**

Date	Event
Monday 31st March	Yr4 Residential Meeting 3.25pm Large Hall
Thursday 3rd April	Easter Discos
Friday 4th April	Easter Raffle
Friday 4th April	Last day of the Spring term.
Monday 7th - 21st April	School closed for the Easter holidays. School reopens Tuesday 22nd April.
Friday 25th April	Rest of Year 5 to visit Marten House
Thursday 1st May to Friday 2nd May	Year 4 Residential at Walton Firs
Monday 12th May to Friday 16th May	Year 6 SATs Week
Monday 19th May to Friday 23 May	Science week

#### 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 Spring term 2025

Last day of term Friday 4th April Easter Holidays 7th to 21st April

#### 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

#### 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 <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/">https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/</a>

If you do keep your child at home, it's important to notify the school <u>on the first day before 9.20am</u> 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.



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