



London Meed Primary School Newsletter

27th January 2025

Bravery Curiosity Resilience Community Respect

What a busy week we had last week. Some of our Year 3 children represented our school at a Basketball Festival. They had a great time and were fantastic ambassadors for the school. They also received a certificate in the Celebration Assembly on Friday.



On Friday afternoon, 60 of our Year 5 and Year 6 children went to the O2 for Young Voices. This is an annual event and an amazing experience for our children to have. They join with many other schools from across the South of England to perform in a huge choir. The evening performance is so special and there is always a guest or two to entertain them. This year, MC Grammar made an appearance. The children were absolute superstars and represented the school brilliantly. A HUGE thank you to the staff who supported this both before the event and then going to the event too. It was a late night for everyone with the coach not arriving back at school until 11.45pm!

This week is quite a quiet week in terms of events. We have some of our Year 5 and 6 children attending a Basketball Festival at Haywards Heath College. We wish them the best of luck and are sure they will be amazing ambassadors.

Parking:

We still have parents parking in the disabled bays and disabled layby without holding a disabled blue badge. There is no parking within the school grounds for any vehicles other than those with a disabled blue badge. This includes the layby and the bays. Please do not pull up here or park unless you hold a disabled blue badge. We will be asking you to move if you do try and park here.



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Author MG Leonard visit - Monday 10th February

The award winning author MG Leonard will be visiting our school on Monday 10th February - for full details see leaflet below. To pre order a book for signing please click on the link below.

<https://booknookuk.com/m-g-leonard-school-events/>

THE BOOK NOOK

HUNT FOR THE GOLDEN SCARAB Tour: MG Leonard Author Event



Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are delighted to announce, as part of an exclusive schools tour, students will be meeting award winning and bestselling author **M. G. Leonard** on **Monday 10th February**.

During her fun and interactive assembly, she will be talking about her inspirations for her latest book *Hunt for the Golden Scarab*, a thrilling time-travelling adventure book set in Ancient Egypt. Perfect for children of 8 to 12 and fans of *Adventures on Trains*, *Beetle Boy* and *Twitch*.

Children taking part in the tour will also be amongst the first to have the opportunity to buy this highly anticipated book and get books signed by MG Leonard.

If you would like to take advantage of this unique opportunity for your child, please pre-order books below, using the discount code 'SCARAB' for discounted books:



[BOOK HERE](#)



Please add your child's name and class in the notes section on the pay page and select local pickup for shipping, as your books will be delivered to the school for the event. Books will also be available to purchase before school on the day of the event.

Thank you for your support.
Best wishes,

THE BOOK NOOK

Event organised by your local award winning children's independent book shop.
First Avenue, Hove, BN3 2FJ. Tel: 01273 911988 www.booknookuk.com



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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>
Edward F.	6B	For showing resilience when learning to measure angles accurately and for always having an exemplary attitude to learning. What a wonderful role model you are, Edward! Keep it up.
Elsie	6H	For consistently demonstrating an excellent attitude to learning and always upholding our Golden Rules and school values both in class and around the school. You are a wonderful role model for our school community Elsie. Well done!
Abner	5D	For showing curiosity and creativity when creating a free verse poem about the ocean, where he used a range of figurative language as well as the free verse poem success criteria to assess and edit the effectiveness of his work. Keep up all your hard work, Abner!
Freya	5A	For being an excellent, positive role model in rehearsals and preparation for Young Voices. Well done Freya!
Riley	5A	For being an excellent, positive role model in rehearsals and preparation for Young Voices. Well done Riley!
Ryan	4S	For showing resilience to do his best at all times in particular by creating a fantastic persuasive argument about deforestation. You're a role model to the class. Well done!
Louis	4N	For always being respectful and resilient! This week, Louis has worked hard with mixed fractions in Maths and wrote a great argument against deforestation in English. He is always smiling and is a pleasure to work with! Well done, Louis!
Dylan	3M	For being a lovely, kind and supportive member of our class community. You always try your best and show curiosity in every lesson. Well done, Dylan!
Aroush	3T	Your confidence and bravery when using subordinating conjunctions, main clauses and subordinate clauses. You persevered and challenged yourself to use a range of different conjunctions. Well done!
Harriet	2O	For settling to work quicker and for writing more independently. You have shown resilience. Well done.
Juan	1C	For showing courage and determination when echo reading this week. You should be very proud of yourself. Very well done, Juan!
Atharva	1M	For his fabulous phonics! Atharva has shown great resilience and is now able to use his sounds with greater independence when reading and writing. Well done Atharva!
Ethan	Cherries	For trying his best in all of his learning this week, particularly maths and phonics and showing resilience when faced with a challenge.



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REMINDERS:

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 office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk 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



Plea from Mr Blake

Mr Blake has been up to inspect our Forest school and unfortunately, due to the weather, a number of items need replacing. Does anyone have a metal fire pit they no longer require? He is also looking for tea lights or candles for an activity with the children. Any donations relating to Forest school would be gratefully received in the school office.



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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 <https://amzn.eu/i9G1rlm>

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 New Nurture Room and Sensory room <https://amzn.eu/37ZfDXi>

School Community News:

New Mental Health and Well-being Website via West Sussex County Council: West Sussex County Council have launched a new website to help children, families and schools with mental health and well-being. The link is below so please do have a look to see if there is anything that you might find supportive. <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/childrens-mental-health-and-emotional-wellbeing/>

E Safety Seminar: The local police are running E-Safety webinars, for parents and carers. To join the webinar please visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/online-safety-for-parents-3386699>

Referral to Healthy Child Programme 5-19 School Nursing Service



The School Nursing team can be contacted by parents directly for a variety of issues as listed below:

- Continence issues e.g., soiling, day, or night-time wetting
- Sleep issues
- Support for school staff when they need to produce individual health care plans for pupils
- Poor school attendance related to health issues
- Sexual health advice



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- Lifestyle concerns including weight, smoking, drugs, or alcohol
- Health needs assessment following safeguarding meetings
- Emotional health and wellbeing support, such as low self-esteem, low mood, low level anxiety

Parents can contact the School Nurse team via the HCP 5-19 duty line 0300 303 1137, option 1.or by texting Parentline on 07312 277011. Parents and young people can also access their websites, Health for Kids and Health for Teens.

Forthcoming diary dates

Date	Event
Monday 10th February	MG Leonard Author visit
Thursday 13th February	LMA Discos. Further details to follow
Friday 14th February	INSET DAY - school closed to pupils.
17th - 21st February	HALF TERM - school closed.
Monday 24th February	School reopens after half term.
Wednesday 26th February	Biscuit and Banter with Miss Dowley
Thursday 27th February	Y3 visit to the Pavilion.
Tuesday 4th and Thursday 6th March	Parent Consultation evenings. Further details to follow.
Friday 5th March	Y6 trip to Newhaven.
Tuesday 11th March	Y2 trip to the British Wildlife Centre.
Friday 21st March	Comic Relief.
Wednesday 26th March	Biscuit and Banter with Miss Dowley.
Thursday 3rd April	Easter Raffle - details to follow.
Friday 4th April	Last day of the Spring term.
Monday 7th - 21st April	School closed for the Easter holidays. School reopens Tuesday 22nd April.



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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

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

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 <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.

If you need any support in regard to children experiencing anxiety we are offering a down-to-earth webinar with lots of practical strategies to emotionally support overwhelming feelings.

The webinar is 'Anxiety Toolkit' and is on 25th January at 10am. For tickets please follow this link

[Anxiety Toolkit Tickets](#)

Many thanks and best wishes, Your Space Therapies Limited



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THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE *home!* 15 – 23 FEBRUARY



Join us this February half term to
celebrate houses and homes

Have a go at hands on activities and follow the
house hunting trail around our 40 acres site.



Weald & Downland Living Museum
Singleton | Chichester | PO18 0EU



Find out more at wealddown.co.uk

01243 811363



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BURGESS HILL CRICKET CLUB
YOUTH CRICKET
SOFTBALL
TRAINING

TUESDAYS 6.00 - 7.30PM
@ BURGESS HILL ACADEMY SPORTS HALL

STARTS 4th FEBRUARY
plus...
11/18/25 FEB
4/11/18/25 MARCH
1/8/15 APRIL

6.00 - 7.30 PM
U8/U9/U10 BOYS
YR 2 - YR 5

U8/U9/U10/U11 GIRLS
YR 2 - YR 6

NO COST TO ATTEND
NEW PLAYERS VERY WELCOME
EMAIL : BURGESSHILLCC@GMAIL.COM

Burgess Hill CC Youth Training : Feb to April 2025

Please see attached details from BHCC with regards to our winter softball cricket training for both girls and boys on Tuesday evenings at the Burgess Hill Academy. These sessions start on Tuesday 4th February at The Burgess Hill Academy, they are:

- Open to all, including new players to BHCC and those new to the sport
- For youngsters who play softball cricket
- Free, there is no cost to attend.

- Run by qualified coaches

- Most importantly fun!

We would particularly love to see more girls in attendance as we look to run an U11 girls team again this summer. Softball cricket is suitable for Y2-Y6 girls, and for Y2-Y5 boys. Y6 boys play hardball, please email the club for more information on these sessions too.

Any questions as always : burgesshillcc@gmail.com

Burgess Hill Parent/Carer Support Group for families with children with SEND from Reaching Families - Tuesday 28th January at The Cherry Tree Centre - 10am until 11.30am.

If you are a parent or carer of a child or young person with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex, please join Reaching Families at our Burgess Hill Umbrellas parent/carer support group! Umbrella's provides an informative, supportive, relaxed and non-judgmental environment within which parents can swap life experiences, share hints and tips, seek advice and share information and resources. You are warmly invited to join us on **Tuesday 28th January** at The Cherry Tree Centre. Please do join us anytime between 10am and 11.30am for a warm welcome and a chance to connect with other local parent carers in a safe and supportive space - there is no need to book, just pop in for a cuppa, biscuit and a chat! We look forward to seeing you there! If you would like more information, please email Abi at outreach-training@reachingfamilies.org.uk To find out more about Reaching Families services, please watch our new animation [here](#)