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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a rather busy week at London Meed. Our Reception children visited the Burgess Hill library, Year 2 children took part in a drama workshop, and Year 5 visited the Planetarium, in our small hall, to learn all about space.

There has been creative artwork happening in Year 6 this week. I was delighted to see a picture of Ernest Shackleton drawn by one of our talented Year 6 artists, Jack B, as part of the Year 6 'On the Edge' topic this term.



We welcomed Fergus Paton to our assembly on Monday who launched his forthcoming trombone lessons by showcasing his musical talents. Further details will be sent on how to sign your child up for trombone lessons in due course.

Harvest Festival will be celebrated in school next Thursday, 20th October. Donations of non-perishable food will be collected for The Burgess Hill Food Bank and should be brought to school at morning "drop off". We will welcome donations of; milk (long life or powdered), tinned food, fruit juice, bottles of squash, breakfast cereals, tinned puddings, tinned or packets of soup or pasta sauces, biscuits, crackers, instant mashed potato, rice and pasta. We will be setting up tables in the small staff car park by the large hall from 8.30am.



On Thursday 20th October it is also the LMA "Break a Rule" day, where children are invited to either paint their nails, colour their hair, wear crazy hair, wear pyjamas, wear football kit or wear non-uniform (unless it is their PE Day) in exchange for a £1 donation.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers that the school gates close in the morning at 8.45am ready for registration. Please could dog owners make sure that dogs are not brought onto the school grounds. Please inform the school office of any changes to who is picking up your child, including children in KS2.

I spoke in assembly today about respecting other people's property, as we have had some issues this week with football cards being brought into school. Children have swapped or lent their cards to other people, which has resulted in some disagreements and upset. Can we please ask that football

cards are therefore not brought into school.

Congratulations go to this week's "Super Staff" winners - Mrs Lisa Hedley, Ms Christina Fleming and Mrs Nina Maddock.

As the school is closed for Inset Day next Friday 21st October, this will be the last newsletter of this half term. It has had many challenges, but as always, our community has shown true resilience. We would like to thank all of our school community for their support. Have a lovely half term break. We look forward to seeing the children back at school on Monday 31st October. Mr Jake Terrill,

Deputy Head teacher



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London Meed Hero Awards

Name of Child	Class	Reason
Vikhyat D.	6B	For accurately completing multiplication and division calculations and for using the relevant mathematical language when reasoning your thinking. Keep it up, Vikhyat!
Olivia	6K	For an exceptional piece of History work this week examining the achievements of explorer Ann Bancroft. You used your imagination and creative flare to produce a wonderful double page spread.
Sami M	5D	For an incredibly detailed and descriptive alternative retelling of <i>The Ugly Duckling</i> , which he retold as a mortal living amongst immortal gods, that was full of powerful vocabulary and figurative language. A fantastic effort, Sami!
Elle	5S	For showing resilience and determination by working hard to improve her swimming technique.
Kieran	4P	For working hard to play with others kindly. Kieran created and presented a poster during our class assembly. The poster shows others how to play kindly and fairly during playtimes and lunchtimes.
Amelie	40	For her cheerful spirit and smile. She approaches all her work with a can do attitude.
Vinnie	3M	For having an outstanding week and completing all of his learning to a high level. Well done!
Holly	3C	For showing resilience and curiosity whilst researching facts about the stone age in History.
Bonnie	2DJ	For writing a lovely retelling of 'The Ugly Duckling' using adjectives, adverbs and neat handwriting. Well done!
Thea	2M	For working really hard to add expression when reading and using her best 'performance voice'.
James F	15	For always showing the school values of bravery, resilience, respect, curiosity and community.
Lewie	1W	For working exceptionally hard on his story of the ugly duckling this week and doing some beautiful writing.

National Online Safety

Thank you to the 235 parents/carers who have signed up for the National Online Safety, we hope that you are finding it to be a useful resource. Please see this week's guide on Minecraft attached.

If you haven't done so already, to create your Online Safety account, please follow

https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/london-meed-community-primary-school and complete your details. When you're set up, you'll be able to set 'Parent/Carer' as your user type.

You can access National Online Safety online via any device- including via the brand-new smartphone app. To download the app, please go to: https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/national-online-safety/id1530342372

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=uk.co.nationaleducationgroup.nos

Alternatively, search for 'National Online Safety' in the App Store/Google Play Store.



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Parent Consultation Evenings

Parent Consultation Evenings will be held on Monday 7th November 3.30-6pm and on Thursday 10th November 3.30-6.30pm.

An online booking system, through our website host ESchools, will open to book your appointment on Monday 31st October at 6pm and it will close on Friday 4th November at 7pm. To log in please visit London Meed Primary School - Home and click on the "login" button in the top right hand corner. Log in detail letters have been sent to all new parents to the school via the children this week. Please check that you are able to login to Eschools before Wednesday 19th October.

You will be able to select which available appointment you would like to book and then generate a printable report if you wish to print confirmation of your booking.

We do expect separated parents to attend together, because this is in your child's best interests. Please allow a ten-minute gap between appointments if you have more than one child in our school.

For more information please click https://academy.eschools.co.uk/users/parents/parents-evening-parents/

If you have any queries please email office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk

Junior Governors

Next week your child will be told in assembly about a brand new student body which will be run by your School Governors. Representatives in each class from Year 1 up to Year 6 will have the opportunity to become a Junior Governor, working on exciting projects for the school. This new student body will give pupils the opportunity to learn and develop their listening, communication and team working skills. A letter will be sent home next week with more details and will include an explanation of how your child can apply to become a Junior Governor.

We are really excited about this opportunity to work with our amazing pupils!

Eve Cole and Jane Davey (School Governors)



Mental Health

It was Mental Health Day on Monday 10th October. While this was a day to raise the profile of Mental Health across the nation, we discuss and work on this with our children within our RSHE (Relationships, Sex and Health Education) curriculum throughout the school year. We also invite external mental health professionals to work with various year groups. Parents and Carers are always welcome to contact our Mental Health First Aiders: Nikki Palethorpe or Katherine Brayne, to ask for support or advice regarding their child's mental health.

The School Nurse who can be contacted directly - please see the website for further contact information

https://www.londonmeedprimary.co.uk/website/school nursing service /593822

The Young Minds website also provides a wealth of information for parents and carers regarding their child's mental health.

Head lice

We encourage parents and carers to check their children regularly for Head lice. For guidance and information please visit https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/



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Aspirational Assemblies

At London Meed we are always looking to expand the experiences and aspirations of all of our pupils. Following on from a series of very successful and inspiring talks by members of our school community last year, we are again looking for people to come and talk to the children about what they might want to do with their lives as they get older.

We have a broad curriculum encompassing English, Maths, Science, Geography, History, French, Religious Education, Relationships Sex and Health Education, PE, Art, Design Technology, Music and Computing, and we are keen for our pupils to understand how the skills and knowledge that they acquire will go on to help them in their working life. For many of our children, these talks and assemblies were a real highlight for them last year, and the parents and carers who gave the talks found them to be enjoyable, rewarding experiences. If you are interested in coming and talking to a group of children about your job or career, or you know someone who would like to do so, we would love to hear from you. We can be flexible about dates, times and year groups that you might want to talk to. Please email office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk if you would like to come in and broaden the horizons of our children.

Forthcoming Dates		
Date	Event	
Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th October 9.15-10.15am	EYFS 6 week in meetings in the large hall and The Orchard. An email was sent to parents.	
Thursday 20th October	Harvest Festival Collection and deadline for Photo orders.	
Thursday 20th October	LMA Break a Rule Day	
Friday 21st October	INSET DAY - School closed to pupils	
Monday 31st October	Pupils return to school after the half term break. Online booking system will open to book Parent Consultation Evenings at 6pm.	
Friday 4th November	LMA donation day - all children are invited to wear non uniform in exchange for donations of chocolates or sweets	
Monday 7th November and Thursday 10th November	Parent Consultation evenings 3.30-6pm. The Book Nook will be hosting a Book Fair in the Small Hall from 2.45-4pm.	
Friday 18th November	The school will be raising funds for Children in Need. Further details to follow.	
Monday 21st November	LMA donation day - all children are invited to wear non uniform in exchange for a coloured item for the rainbow tombola.	
Wednesday 23rd November	Flu vaccinations for all pupils during the afternoon. A permission form will be emailed to parents in due course.	
Thursday 24th November	Open Day Sessions for Parents/Carers of children starting school in September 2023. Booking information can be found at www.londonmeedprimary.co.uk	



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Week commencing 5th December	Clubs finish for the term.
Monday 12th December and Wednesday 14th December	KS1 Christmas Production 2pm - further info will be sent nearer the time.
Tuesday 13th December	EYFS Christmas Production 2pm - further info will be sent nearer the time.
Thursday 15th December	KS2 Carol Service at St John's Church at 10am- further info will be sent nearer the time. School Christmas Lunch. LMA Disco
Friday 16th December	Christmas Party day - further info will be sent nearer the time.

Forthcoming Trips

Year 5	19th October	Wilderness Wood
The Orchard 25th November		Brighton Toy Museum

LMA Fundraising events dates for your diary

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Monday 21st November	LMA donation day - all children are invited to wear non uniform in exchange for a coloured item for the rainbow tombola.
Saturday 26th November 2-5pm	LMA Christmas Fair
Thursday 15th December	LMA Discos for Years 1-6 - information will be sent out nearer the time.





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

Year Group/Class	PE days
Apples	Tuesday and Thursday
Cherries	Monday and Wednesday
Year 1	Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 2	Tuesday and Friday
Year 3	Wednesday and Friday
Year 4	Monday and Friday
Year 5	Monday - the children can wear their PE kit. They will need to bring in a swimsuit (no bikinis)/trunks, goggles and towel).Wednesday is Outdoor PE.
Year 6	Monday and Thursday



Do you love the outdoors?

Mr Blake, our Premises Manager and Forest School Lead is looking for adult volunteers to help with Forest School in the afternoons. If you have a spare afternoon and would love to help please let us know by emailing office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk

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MINI'S NETBALL CLUB

Designed specifically for your mini ballers. A fantastic opportunity for budding NETBALLERZ to have fun, make friends and develop fundamental movement and ball skills.

FOUNDATION, YR1, YR2 (Age 4-7)

'FREE TASTER SESSION'

SATURDAY MORNINGS Session 1: 9-9:45am

Session 2: 10 - 10:45am

DATES RUN ALONGSIDE SCHOOL TERM

WHERE: NORTHLANDS WOOD PRIMARY ACADEMY, BEECH HILL, HAYWARDS HEATH, RH16 3RX

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT - netballerz@outlook.com
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Term Dates 2022-2023

For WSCC term dates please visit https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/media/12668/2020-21 term dates.pdf

Academic Year 2022-2023 term dates including INSET Days

Please see below the term dates for the next academic year including our INSET days.

Autumn Term 2022

INSET DAY - Friday 21st October

Half term 24th October to Friday 28th October
Children return Monday 31st October
Last day of term Friday 16th December

Spring term 2023

Starts Tuesday 3rd January

INSET DAY - Friday 10th February

Half term 13th February to 17th February Children return Monday 20th February Last day of term Friday 31st March

Summer term 2023

Starts Monday 17th April

INSET DAY - Friday 26th May

Half term 29th May to 2nd June

INSET DAY Monday 5th June

Last day of term Friday 21st July