



Dear Parents/Carers,

This is the final newsletter for this half term as we have a staff training day on Friday 20th October. I cannot decide whether it has all gone in a blink or has been the longest half term ever! We are all settled into the school routine and will be ready for the half term break.

Our children are showing their love of learning every day. There are so many examples of children demonstrating positive attitudes as well as our school values. This morning in our Celebration Assembly, we were treated to an acapella rendition of "A million dreams" by Luke, Abigail, Darcy, Mahum, Harriet and Bethany from Year 3 who have been practising during break times.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have completed the Safer Parking declaration and have shown their commitment to keeping our children safe. If you have not yet signed the declaration please do so by Monday 30th October. Any parents/carers who have not completed the form by then will be contacted by the school office.

Mr Terrill is meeting with the majority of Class Representatives today. Thank you to those who have signed up, we still need someone for the following classes: 2M, 3M and 4P. If you are interested please email the school office.

Just a quick reminder that all clubs finish next Wednesday 18th October due to the school disco on Thursday. Athletics which take place on Wednesday are also cancelled as Mrs Radford is attending a football event with some pupils.

We look forward to seeing the children on Monday 30th October.

Have a really lovely weekend everyone.

Kindest regards, Natalie Langtree, Head teacher

Harvest Festival Donations - Thursday 2nd November

Harvest Festival will be celebrated in school on Thursday 2nd November. Donations of non-perishable food will be collected for [The Burgess Hill Pantry](#) 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.

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Many congratulations to this week's London Meed Hero award winners!

<i>Name of child</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Reason</i>
Sabreen R.	6B	For the exceptional quality and content of her homework and her constant ambition to succeed. Keep it up, Sabreen!
Tommy E.	6H	For showing resilience when multiplying 4-digit by 2-digit numbers. Great work, Tommy!
Lucy H	5D	For completing her home learning to a consistently high standard and often choosing to complete the optional extra challenge. Keep up all your hard work, Lucy!
Fazal	5S	for showing curiosity when reading and contributing well to discussions using inference and explanation skills.
Mason F-J	4P	For always showing respect and demonstrating curiosity about our earthquake topic.
Elsie	4O	For an excellent explanation about Earthquakes using all the features.
Bhavnish	3M	For consistently trying to use joined up writing in every lesson. Your handwriting and fluency is improving, well done!
Isobel	3C	For showing resilience to work independently to solve addition and subtraction questions. Amazing attitude, well done.
Charlie	2K	For working hard in maths all week and showing great accuracy when subtracting two digit numbers!
Leo	2M	For coming to school every day with the most amazing attitude to learning and for helping our class community by sharing his fantastic ideas. Great work Leo!
The Whole Class!	1S	For having a superb day at Wakehurst and for taking part in all the activities. Well done!
All of you!	1M	You have achieved a London Meed Hero award for your representation of London Meed during our visit to Wakehurst Place. You showed lots of our golden rules and values and made us feel very proud.



Community spirit!

Mrs Cobham 's parents have very kindly donated their prize winning pumpkin 🎃 to London Meed. Thank you!

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Taekwondo County Championships

On Sunday 8th October Sebastian from 6B competed in the Taekwondo Sussex County Championships. He won gold in boys blue/red belt sparring, gold in boys blue/red belt patterns and bronze in boys team patterns.



LMA Forthcoming events

The LMA has set up a Patchwork page where they will be sharing upcoming events (including the upcoming Disco on the 19th October), notices, links for uniforms and donate buttons. To view the page click the link

[London Meed Association Patchwork page](#)

After School
DISCO

Yr 1 & 2 3.15pm - 4pm
Yr 3 & 4 4.15pm - 5pm
Yr 5 & 6 5.15pm - 6pm

**Thursday
October 19, 2023**

Tickets available here
<https://patchworkkit.com/47860/londonmeed>



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.

Free School Meals

Is my child eligible?

From 1 April 2018, free school meals in all West Sussex maintained and free schools and academies are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the following benefits:

- **Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)**
- **Income Support**
- **Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance**
- **Income-related Employment and Support Allowance**
- **Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999**
- **The guaranteed element of state Pension Credit**
- **Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more £16,190)**
- **Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.**

A number of pupils will also be protected against losing their current free school meals. You can find more information on GOV.UK. If you are not eligible for benefits-related, free school meals, but your child is currently in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, they will automatically be entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals and you need not apply. Contact your school for details. If you are eligible for benefits-related free school meals in accordance with the above criteria, and your child is also receiving Universal Infant Free School Meals, please continue to register. This will enable your child's school to claim valuable 'pupil premium' funding.

To apply for Free School Meals please visit

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/#how-to-apply>



Sussex Partnership
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WEBINARS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND
YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THEIR
MENTAL HEALTH



Each webinar will take place on Zoom at 10am and 7pm and will run for 90-120 minutes

FREE TO ANY
PARENT/CARER
LIVING IN
SUSSEX

- 19TH OCTOBER ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER (ADHD)
- 8TH NOVEMBER BUILDING SELF-ESTEEM AND RESILIENCE
- 13TH DECEMBER DEPRESSION
- 17TH JANUARY OBSSIVE COMPULSIVE DISORDER (OCD)



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WANT TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS?

Scan here:



Or visit:

[https://ticketlab.co.uk/series/id/1081/
Sussex-CAMHS-ParentCarer-
Webinars#/](https://ticketlab.co.uk/series/id/1081/Sussex-CAMHS-ParentCarer-Webinars#/)

NEED TO GET IN TOUCH?

If you have any questions, please email: CAMHSParticipationTeam@spft.nhs.uk

Delivered by Sussex Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)



An exciting sensory adventure this October half-term

14 – 29 October 2023

Children
go free!

We're Going On A Bear Hunt

Wakehurst

Visit [kew.org/wakehurst](https://www.kew.org/wakehurst)
Pre-booking strongly advised



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Please remember to send your child in their PE kits on their allocated PE day below. - these are the new days from 4th September 2023

Year Group/Class	PE days
Apples	Wednesday and Thursday
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

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.

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 in the title.

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Forthcoming events

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

Term Dates 2023-2024

For WSCC term dates please visit https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/media/15495/school_term_calendar_2022_23_res.pdf

Academic Year 2023-2024 term dates including INSET Days

Autumn Term 2023

INSET DAY - Friday 1st September

Starts Monday 4th September

INSET DAY - Friday 20th October

Half term 23rd - 27th October

Children return Monday 30th October

Last day of term Friday 15th December

Spring term 2024

Starts Tuesday 2nd January

Half term 12th February to 16th February

INSET DAY - Monday 19th February

Children return Tuesday 20th February

Last day of term Thursday 28th March

Easter Holidays 29th March to 12th April

Summer term 2024

Starts Monday 15th April

Bank Holiday - 6th May

INSET DAY - Friday 24th May

Half term 27th May to 31st May

INSET DAY Monday 3rd June

Last day of term Tuesday 23rd July