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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week I have been reviewing our lunch time arrangements. You may be aware that in the Autumn Term we introduced a seating plan so that all children knew which table to sit at. I asked classes to complete a questionnaire and the responses have been extremely positive. The children stated that they like the security of knowing where to sit and who will be at their table. They have suggested some ways to make the lunch time experience even better which we will explore at a later date.

There is a growing amount of lost property around the school. We will be putting it out on tables in the Small Hall on Friday 21st June and Friday 28th June from 3pm-3.30pm. Please do come and have a look!

London Meed Art Exhibition



in the small hall 3.15-4.15pm Tuesday 18th June Reception, Years 1 & 2

Thursday 20th June Years 3-6

Refreshments will be provide by the LMA





Our pupils' beautiful art work will be on display at our Art Exhibition that is taking place next week. Please see the details above. We look forward to seeing you there.



Our community value was very evident as our final group of Year 6 children visited the Pantry in Burgess Hill.

In our continued support of The Pantry, there is a collection container by reception at the

front of the school. If you would like to donate, the following items would be gratefully received:

Cleaning Products (no bleach)

Shampoo, conditioner, shower gel etc.

Toilet Rolls

Baby and child food, toiletries etc.

Store cupboard

Sweet tinned puddings, tinned fruit, chocolate spread, biscuits, cereal.

Savoury Pasta Sauces, ketchup, soups, beans, pulses (no pasta)

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Natalie Langtree, Head teacher

EYFS plea for cardboard!



The EYFS team are looking to create something similar to the photo. The team are looking for really large, quite sturdy, cardboard sheets / corrugated cardboard (that can be manipulated so not too solid). If you have anything suitable please pop it to The Orchard.

Many thanks.

Miss Griffiths, Mrs Denham and Mrs Hair.

London Meed Hero Awards

Many congratulations to our pupils who have been awarded this week's London Meed Hero Award: please note it is one child per class for all year groups.

Name of child	Class	Reason
Koray K.		For producing an interesting and very informative collection of fact

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		files about Henry VIII and his six wives, for his Home Learning. Excellent work, Koray!
Teddy G	6Н	For showing resilience and determination in P.E. lessons and sporting events. Keep it up Teddy!
Emma	5D	For showing curiosity when researching the life and work of slave abolitionist Harriet Tubman as part of our work on freedom poetry. Well done, Emma!
Roja	40	For demonstrating great creativity and talent during art and displaying community when sharing her own resources.
Paige	4P	For always being a respectful role model to her peers and conscientious with her learning. Well done Paige, keep shining!
Bruce	3M	For showing great creativity and resilience while creating your props and background for the play in English. Well done!
Frankie	3C	For focusing well and identifying quarter, half, three quarter and full turns.
Henry	2К	For a sensible and respectful start to this half-term and making positive choices.
Isla	2M	For using interesting vocabulary in her story. Well done Isla!
All of you!	1M	For the way you behaved on our trip to the SEA LIFE Centre. You showed great curiosity to find out about the animals. I am very proud of you all!

The whole class!	15	For achieving a London Meed Hero award for fabulous behaviour on our trip to the Sea Life Centre last week. You were a credit to our school. Well done everyone!
Madison Teddy	Apples	For excellent progress in maths and reading this term and always trying her hardest. For always having an excellent attitude to all learning that he does in school.
Mia Carter H.	Cherries	For trying her best in all lessons and never giving up. For being a kind friend.

Chartwells Schools

We are proud to work with Chartwells for your children's school lunches. Chartwells believe that the key to fuelling young minds# comes from understanding both what they need and what they enjoy, which is why they develop nutritious and delicious food that pupils love, alongside helping to ensure a healthy body and mind. Their passionate culinary experts work closely with us to ensure every child receives healthy food, perfectly suited to meet their needs and dietary requirements.

The current meal price is £2.97

How to order: Log on at <u>www.parentpay.com</u> to choose and book your meals. Orders need to be placed by midnight Thursday, ten days ahead of the week required. For example, meals for the week starting Monday 12th would have an order deadline of Thursday 1st.

You will have received an activation letter and temporary password to set up your ParentPay account. If you need this resent, please contact your school office.

For children with food intolerances and allergies, Chartwells have a dedicated team of medical diet nutritionists on hand to support allergen aware children and their parents. More information on their medical diet process can be found here: The Chartwells Approach to Medical Diets | Chartwells

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Parents and guardians can contact the medical diet nutrition team directly on: westsussexspecialdiets@compass-group.co.uk. To find out more about Chartwells, visit their

website or contact the school catering team. Weblink: <u>https://www.chartwells.co.uk/west-</u> <u>sussex/</u>



Musical Talent

Oscar P (5D) and Koray (6B) took part in two performances with the Burgess Hill March Youth last week. The first was the parade for the celebrations of the 80th anniversary of the D day landings on Thursday. The second was an all day event in Ashtead on Saturday.



Sabreen was promoted to the Main Band at Burgess Hill Marching Youth last night. She has worked hard to learn to march and play her clarinet since joining a few months ago.

Well done Sabreen!

<u>Reading Corner</u> As it is Father's Day, here are a selection of books:



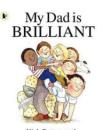
Five More Minutes is narrated by a young fox cub who tells us all about the ways that his dad talks about time passing by. The book is beautifully illustrated and filled with warm and cosy depictions of family life, from the children jumping on dad in the

morning to wake him up to him telling them stories at the end of the day.



Lucy Freegard captures the fatherchild relationship through the eyes of a child. The story beautifully draws out Dad's admirable qualities that the child wishes to emulate – his strength, silliness, courage and ability to deal with mistakes – not to

mention the silly voices he does when he reads a bedtime story! A lovely book for Father's Day.



The child in the story is brimming with admiration for his dad, who is simply brilliant in the child's eyes – from roller skating and running as fast as a cheetah to cooking up amazing meals and singing like a pop star. In celebration of dads everywhere, this is a story time

NICK Butterworth

classic by award-winning author and illustrator Nick Butterworth.

Area Sports



On Wednesday afternoon, we took nearly 50 children from years 3-6 to an athletics event at BHA.

The children took part in

field and track events over the course of the afternoon and finished with some exciting relays.

We are so proud of all the children who took part in this event. We saw all of our school values on show during the afternoon, particularly bravery and resilience! All the children tried their best and supported each other with some great cheering! Well done everybody!

I would like to say a big thank you to all the staff who supported on the day, without them this event couldn't take place. Also, a special thank you to Mrs Cox in the office, who did a brilliant job of organising all the admin and parent communication for this event. Not an easy task with so many children from so many year groups!

Miss Griffiths

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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.

We have staff 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 <u>https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/educationchildren-and-families/find-a-family-hub/mid-sussexfamily-hub/#</u>.

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 <u>https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-tooill-for-school/</u>

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.

Year Group/Class	PE days
Apples	Tuesday and Friday
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

Mental Health Concerns

If you have concerns about your child's mental health or if they are in crisis please contact the "Sussex Mental Health Helpline" for free on 0800 0309 500 or via 111 (Option 2). This helpline is open 24/7 365 days a year.

If you feel your child presents with risks to self or others or is at risk of harm from others please make a direct referral to the **Integrated Front Door Service (IFD)** by either calling **01403 229 900** or email wschildrenservices@westsussex.gov.uk

IFD is best placed to offer advice and provide support regarding risk. Please also advise the school of any referral that you make.

Term Dates 2023-24 For WSCC term dates please visit https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-

and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-term-dates/ Academic Year 2023-2024 term dates including INSET Days Summer term 2024

Last day of term Tuesday 23rd July

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Please find below the INSET days for the next academic year 2024/2025.

- Monday 2nd September 2024
- Friday 25th October 2024
- Friday 14th February 2025
- Friday 23rd May 2025
- Monday 2nd June 2025

Here is the link to the WSCC term dates <u>https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-</u> and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-term-dates/

Forthcoming events

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



Events Mailing List

Summer Fayre Dog Show

We're teaming up with the team at Heath Vets to bring an amazing Dog Show to Summer Fayre this year!

Sunday 23 June: 12 - 2pm

We'll have several categories to enter on the day. Each class is $\pounds 1$ and you can enter on the morning of the event.

- Perfect Puppy (under 18 months)
- Most Handsome Hou
- Prettiest Pooch
- Best Rescue
- Best Trick





Events Mailing List Open-Air Music in the Park

Get ready to get up and moving for our amazing evening of music in St John's Park, from 6 - 8:30pm, on Friday 5 July!

Dance, Sing and Groove!

We'll have three amazing performers to get you up and moving!

- Amber T young talent and BBC Introducing star!
- Clementine eclectic acoustic musician
- And our headliners... Disco B'stards groovy four-piece disco, sure to get you up and moving!

The whole evening is free - just turn up!

Bring picnic blankets and chairs. Food is available to purchase, but attendees are recommended to bring their own picnics too!

Check out the Town Council social media for more information!