

LONDON MEED PRIMARY SCHOOL - Newsletter 2nd December 2022

BRAVERY, COMMUNITY, CURIOSITY, RESILIENCE, RESPECT



Dear Parents/Carers,

It was wonderful to see so many people, including prospective parents for next year, at our Christmas Fair last Saturday. It was extremely busy and the LMA did a fabulous job of getting everything ready. The whole event ran very smoothly because of their foresight and hard work. A special thanks go to our lovely Year 6 pupils who ran a number of stalls and were great ambassadors for our school values. A big thank you also goes to staff, parents and of course the LMA who gave up their Saturday to make the event a success. The fair raised approximately £4000 which is very impressive during these difficult times. Every penny will benefit our children over the coming year.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have kept our children safe by parking away from the school. You may have noticed our Parking Patrol with Mr Terrill every morning and afternoon this week. They have been the embodiment of our school values and have been respectful when asking people to move on. They will be a continued presence throughout the year.

Our Christmas Post box will be by the Christmas tree, outside Mr Viinikka's office, from Monday 5th December. If your child would like to use it for their Christmas cards please ensure that the envelope has the name and class of the recipient to ensure they are delivered to the right person.

Rehearsals for our Christmas Nativities and Concerts are well underway and the school is reverberating with the sound of children singing. Dates and times of the performances are detailed below and separate emails have been sent to parents and carers. A quick reminder that the Christmas lunch deadline is fast approaching.

All clubs will finish next week commencing the 5th December, apart from Hockey club which finished yesterday. We will be sending out information about next term's clubs before the end of term. Please note if your child was on a club waiting list, they will be offered a place before it is offered out to the rest of the school community.

Congratulations go to this week's "Super Staff" winners - Mrs Radford and Mrs Hair. Children have really taken to this initiative which was their idea and give detailed reasons for their nominations.

Have a good weekend!

Natalie Langtree

Head teacher

Online Safety

A free online safety guide on what parents need to know about Social Media and Mental Health.

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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London Meed Hero Awards

Name of Child	Class	Reason
Oliver M.	6B	For showing ambition and diligence during our test week and for always being a polite and sensible member of our class. Keep it up, Oliver!
Amelia	6K	For working so hard on your tests this week and recently passing your new grading in piano! Very well done!
Ella C	5D	For displaying resilience and having a positive attitude during our test week. Well done, Ella!
Finn J	5S	For his consistently outstanding attitude to learning and for always striving to achieve his best in everything he does.
Bonnie	4P	For perseverance and working hard to maintain her concentration.
Kitty	4O	For a super attitude to learning and for excellence in reading.
Sophia	3M	For being enthusiastic and persevering during our learning consolidation week. Well done!
Amelia	3C	For being a kind and considerate talk partner and a wonderful friend to the class.
Joshua	2DJ	For always being ready to learn and joining in enthusiastically during all of our phonics lessons. Well done!
Jack	2M	For challenging himself to do his best in every lesson and always being ready to help his class community.
Baxter	1S	For rising to the challenge in maths when learning about place value in numbers over 20. Well done!
Isla	1W	For being constantly resilient in all her learning, Isla is a role model to the class and has also been working especially hard on the presentation of her work.
Alice B, Henry P, Lucy G, Rylie P, Charlie B and Harry S	6K and 6B	For showing bravery, resilience, respect and a sense of community as members of our Parking Patrol.



Regional Football Finals

On Monday 28th November, our Boys Football team took part in the Regional Finals at St Paul's Catholic College. The boys worked well together, showing bravery and resilience which resulted in them coming a fantastic second place! They gave an impressive match report in assembly this morning and even remembered to thank the members of staff who accompanied them. Well done boys! We are very proud of you.

A.I.M High Maths day

On Wednesday 30th November we went to Hassocks Infants School with Riley, Miles and Jaxon. There were lots of other children from other schools. We made tangrams with shapes. The hardest one was the horse. We played a game called 'Frogs', where the boys and girls had to swap places. You had to do it in the fewest tries. We played a calculator game with children from other schools. We really enjoyed it!

By Molly and Evie in 3C

Music with Ann Dudding at London Meed for KS2 children

We are really lucky to have the fabulous music teacher Mrs Ann Dudding offering music lessons in woodwind and piano/keyboard at London Meed. She is increasing her days teaching 1:1/group lessons after Christmas.

It's not too late to sign your child up for lessons for Spring Term. Lessons in saxophone, flute, clarinet and piano/keyboard are available to our KS2 children. Parents/carers can hire instruments from West Sussex Music or Ackermans rather than having to buy them.

<https://www.westsussexmusic.co.uk/make-music/instrument-hire/>

<https://www.ackermanmusic.co.uk/instrument-rental-plans.html>

*A form has been sent out to parents by email. **If your child would like to start lessons next term, please complete the relevant form by Friday 2nd December so a timetable can be organised. Thank you.***



London Meed loves Reading

Christmas Book Gift Guide 2022:

Looking for good books as Christmas presents for children? Here is a list of recommended books to give to primary school aged children this year:

Gorgeous Gift Books



Ages 3-5 years

Gorgeous Gift Books



Ages 5-7 years

Gorgeous Gift Books



Ages 7- 9 years

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Ages 9-11 years



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Forthcoming Dates	
Date	Event
Week commencing 5th December	Clubs finish for the term (except Hockey Club which finished on the 1st December).
Thursday 8th December	EYFS Christmas Production 2pm NO HOCKEY CLUB
Monday 12th December and Wednesday 14th December	KS1 Christmas Production 2pm - please see email sent 23/11/2022
Tuesday 13th December	Visit from Tom Ball, Britain's Got Talent Finalist 2022.
Thursday 15th December	KS2 Carol Service at St John's Church at 10am- please see email sent 23/11/2022 School Christmas Lunch. KS1 and EYFS Christmas Parties during the afternoon. The children are invited to wear their party clothes with suitable footwear to still be able to go outside at break/lunchtime.
Friday 16th December	Last day of the Autumn term. KS2 Christmas Parties - children are invited to wear their party clothes with suitable footwear to still be able to go outside at break/lunchtime.

LMA Fundraising events dates for your diary

The LMA disco for Years 1 -6 has been postponed and will now take place next half term - we will confirm the date and time in the New Year.

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

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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

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