

London Meed Primary School Newsletter 6th May 2025 Bravery Curiosity Resilience Community Respect

What an exciting week we had last week. Year 4 went on their first residential to Walton Firs and had an amazing time. The place itself is stunning, and we arrived to a carpet of bluebells. We also managed to see a mummy and baby deer foraging for food early on Friday morning. The children got to try caving, archery, crate stacking, low ropes and a very high climbing wall. The children were so brave having a go at the activities, especially the high ones, demonstrating our school values of bravery and resilience. In the evening, we had a campfire and held a talent competition - dances, songs and jokes were shared. Not much sleep was had as the children were so excited about being altogether that they kept chatting and shining their torches! A HUGE thank you to our staff who helped and also didn't get much sleep either!







EYFS have continued to learn about dinosaurs, with lots of children drawing, and writing about, them independently. Following on from finding out about where Paddington Bear had been, Year 1 had fun on Friday making, and eating, marmalade sandwiches. Year 2 spent the week finding out about how the Great Fire of London started, producing some brilliant pieces of writing. Year 3 explored how to make aqueducts, and were successful in transporting water using a model.







This week, four of our Year 6 Junior Governors are representing our school at the VE Day Memorial service in town. We are also having a special assembly for VE day with the rest of the school and Mrs Dudding will be teaching them a song to help mark this special occasion. Some of our Year 5 children are going to Hassocks for a tennis tournament.

This Thursday evening, 8th May, is the LMA's AGM at 7.00pm in the school hall. This is to look at how the LMA has done over the previous year and then to look at the future of our LMA. We do have someone who is willing to take on the role of Chair and they will need to be voted in. We will have refreshments including wine. Thank you to those people who have returned the survey for this - there is still time to fill this in. - <u>https://forms.gle/ad1HHecE9LdU1Q7f9</u>

I will be having children for a film whilst the meeting goes on so if you would like your child to attend, please make sure you have completed the form. There is an online option to attend which is below:

Online link - https://meet.google.com/dwc-ussd-vjc

Exciting opportunity

Once again, London Meed will be taking part in the Burgess Hill Schools Summer Parade. This year, it will be during the morning of Sunday 22nd June. A sign up form will be going out for this on Friday; we are limited to 50 places and they will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

EXCITING NEWS - COMING IN SEPTEMBER - WOW BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

We are so excited to announce that we will be having our own on site breakfast and after school club starting from September. This will be provided by Wow, who currently run similar clubs in Brighton and Hove. The prices and times went out last week and we hope to open booking soon. Watch this space!



London Meed Association - LMA news

As a parent or carer, you automatically join our LMA when you start at the school. We are looking for volunteers to help support the LMA with raising money for our school. Help can be as little or as much as you can offer and doesn't need you to attend meetings. It could be that you are amazing at graphics and could design posters for the event, it may be that you can spare an hour on the day of an event to help or it could be that you fancy being really involved and taking on a role. Please see the google form below for your help.

https://forms.gle/SgZMWbBeXd9SZrJw7

We do have our AGM for the LMA on Thursday 8th May at 7.00pm at school. We will provide refreshments, including wine!!!! Miss Dowley has offered to have children back for a pyjama party and film whilst the meeting goes on so please fill out the google form using the link above if you would like your child to attend.

If you would like to attend online please use the following link https://meet.google.com/dwc-ussd-vjc

It would be really great to have some new faces coming to the AGM. This is where we vote in the new roles for the year - don't panic, turning up to the meeting doesn't mean you will be voted into a role. If you can, please do come along and find out how you can get involved. We will provide an online option for those parents who cannot attend in person.

Normally, the LMA hold their meetings at the pub so that it can be a bit of a social event as well. It really is a good opportunity to meet some other parents and make new friends as well as helping to raise money for the school.

Our LMA met this week to discuss the up-coming Summer Fair on Friday 4th July from 3.30pm to 6.30pm. We are so excited with what we are planning but will need your help. Please use the following link to our google form for the items below. https://forms.gle/SgZMWbBeXd9SZrJw7

- We are looking for raffle prizes do you work for or know a shop or company that would be willing to donate prizes for our raffle.
- Do you work for an estate agent or know an estate agent who would be willing to advertise our summer fair? Would you be willing to have an estate agents board in your front garden/outside your house advertising our summer fair?



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- We will be holding a cake sale at the summer fair so if you love baking, please would you donate any baked goods. If you are a budding Great British Bake off baker and would like to make a stunning showcase cake, we would like some for our cake raffle.
- Are you good with graphics and can make posters? Would you be willing to help make posters and flyers for our summer fair?

Save the dates:

- LMA AGM Thursday 8th May at 7.00pm
- Thursday 22nd May non uniform day for donations of sweets for the summer fair
 - Friday 13th June non uniform day for donations of chocolate
 - Friday 27th June non uniform day for donations of bottles
 - Friday 4th July SUMMER FAIR from 3.30pm to 6.30pm



A huge congratulations to Isla in Year 6 who achieved a Distinction in her ballet exam at the weekend, we can only imagine the resilience and strength she has demonstrated to achieve this award. Well done, Isla!

Youth Council Competition - Railway 200:

Can you create a small fact sheet relating to any of the following:

Burgess Hill Train Station - Franklands Bridge - Clayton Tunnel - Keymer Junction - Saxby's Holt -

The Bumpy Bridge - Wivelsfield Train Station

Your competition entry can be an image or a drawing/painting. It can be a combination of words and pictures. Maybe a piece of trivia - 'did you know?' (eg did you know the Penniue Bellas was British Rail's first female station master), or a more detailed piece of writing for example the Clayton Tunnel has quite a lot of history including a major crash

Useful links: https://burgesshillheritagehistory.org.uk/index.php/arrival-of-the-railway/

If you would like to enter, please hand your entries into the school office by 4th June 2025



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Many congratulations to our pupils who have been awarded this week's London Meed Hero Award

Name of child	Class	Reason
Libby	6B	For working carefully and systematically when calculating the area and perimeter of shapes and for showing resilience and motivation during our SATs practice tests. Keep it up, Libby!
Fred	6Н	For demonstrating an excellent attitude to learning this week. Fred has shown curiosity during lessons by asking thoughtful and inquisitive questions to further his understanding. Fantastic effort Fred!
Zachary	5A	For showing resilience and making a super effort in handwriting and presentation in his work this week. Keep it up Zachary!
Reyansh	5D	For showing bravery and a sense of community when leading a Class Learning Forum, as part of his role as a Junior Governor, where he clearly explained what he wanted his classmates to discuss and carefully listened to their ideas. Well done, Reyansh!
Xaviera	5D	For showing curiosity and resilience when answering questions in guided reading, where she was able to recall important information discussed about the chapter read in the previous lesson as well as write a detailed but concise summary about it. Keep up all your hard work, Xaviera!
Pip	3T	For sharing her excellent ideas in guided reading about the book 'Varjak Paw' and for her incredible enthusiasm for every lesson. Thank you Pip!
Sam	3M	For writing a wonderful retelling of Escape from Pompeii using expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials. You are a lovely member of our class community and are always looking out for other children. Well done, Sam!
Duna	20	Demonstrating our school values of community through helping others in their work and for showing respect when she listens so well to others. You always set a fantastic example!
Darcey	25	For always demonstrating the school values in everything you do. You are a hard working and valued member of the class. Well done Darcey!
Saad	1M	For taking time to share his experiences of the Muslim community with Mrs Murphy this week in our library session when sharing a book together. Saad was patient and answered all of my questions when I was feeling curious! It is a pleasure to spend time with you, Saad. You are a great role model for our class
Harrison	1C	An absolutely amazing week where you have shown all our school values inside and outside the classroom. Very well done, Harrison!
Laila	Apples	For showing resilience in her writing activity and not giving up, even when it felt tricky!
Molly	Cherries	Listening and identifying the sounds in the words you wanted to write about dinosaurs. Well done Molly!



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 <u>office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</u> 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.

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<u>year2@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</u>	Year 2
<u>year3@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</u>	Year 3
<u>year4@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</u>	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

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 <u>https://amzn.eu/i9G1rlm</u>

Year 1 https://amzn.eu/9mK2jpx

Year 2 https://amzn.eu/2kD7gYv

Year 3 https://amzn.eu/iGSxtVp

Year 4 https://amzn.eu/84IbWMy

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



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Forthcoming diary dates

Date	Event	
Monday 12th May to Friday 16th May	Year 6 SAT's Week	
Monday 19th May to Friday 23 May	Science week	
Thursday 22nd May	Non-uniform day for donations of sweets for the summer fair	
Tuesday 3rd June to Friday 13th June	Year 4 Multiplication checks taking place	
Tuesday 3rd June	Year 1 to Sea Life Centre	
Wednesday 4th June	Year 5 to Bedelands	
Friday 6th June	Sports Day and Community Picnic	
Monday 9th June to Friday 13th June	Phonics Checks for Year 1 and some Year 2	
Wednesday 11th June	Steel drum workshops for Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6	
Friday 13th June	Back up Sports Day and Community Picnic	
Friday 13th June	Mad hair day for donations of chocolates for Summer Fair	
Tuesday 17th June	Year 3 to Fishbourne Roman Palace	
Friday 27th June	Non-uniform day for donations of bottles for the summer fair	
Monday 30th June	Reception to Drusillas	
Wednesday 2nd July	Transition day - children meet new teachers	
Wednesday 2nd July	Meet the new teacher for parents - 3.15pm to 3.45pm	
Friday 4th July	Summer Fair from 3.30pm to 6.30pm	
Friday 11th July	Reports go out	
Wednesday 16th July	Year 6 to Out of Bounds	
Friday 18th July	Discos - 3.15 to 4.00 - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 4.15 to 5.00 - Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5	
Monday 21st July	Year 6 Disco and Fish and Chips	



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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

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

2025-2026 INSET Days: 3rd Sept 25, 3rd Nov 25, 5th Jan 26, 23rd Feb 26, 1st June 26

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-too-ill-for-school/</u>

If you do keep your child at home, it's important to notify the school <u>on the first day before 9.20am</u> 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 <u>Study Bugs App</u>

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 Trial Session and £40 discount at Perform

Popular children's drama and dance school Perform is offering a Free Trial Session and a **special introductory** discount of £40 for members of London Meed Community Primary School if they sign up by Wednesday 14th May 2025. Parents should quote LMCP140525 when they book their free session by going to perform.org.uk/try or calling 020 7255 9120.

The nearest classes to London Meed Community Primary School are St Wilfrids Centenary Hall, St Wilfrids Way RH16 3QH - Saturdays 9.30am Drama 4-7 years and 11.15am 7-12 years



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Run by Mrs Stacey, the Burgess Hill Marching Youth has spaces for new members to join their fabulous, friendly team! The band teaches music to children aged 7+ (Year 3 upwards). You can learn to play clarinet, flute, saxophone, cornet, baritone or percussion. If you already play an instrument - even better! Come and see what fun you can have if you join our band.

Join us at London Meed!



There's no better time to learn an instrument!

- First 4 weeks are FREE
- £10 per month thereafter
- Open to anyone aged 7+
- Performance opportunities
- Beginner to grade 8+

For more Information

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Providing affordable music tuition in West Sussex.







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Or email us: kcht.dentalhelpdesk@nhs.net

May Half Term Sports Courses



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Multi Sports 27th and 28th

Football 29th and 30th

NFL Flag Football 30th May

9.15 to 3.30 - £25 per day At Warden Park Secondary Open to years Reception to Year 9 jamesprostarsports@gmail.com All courses led by experienced PE teachers



@pro_star_sports_camps





www.yourspacetherapies.org

🛞 – May Half Term Mindfulness Pony Day for Kids! 🕮

Explore Calm, Connection, and Confidence with Our Gentle Ponies!

Date: Friday 30th May 2025 Time: 9.30am- 2.30pm Location: Ponies 'n' Kids, Eaton Thorne Stables, Woodmancote, Nr Henfield, W.Sussex, BN5 9BH

Join us for a magical day designed especially for children ages 5-11! Dive into a world of peace, friendship, and mindfulness, all while experiencing the calming presence of our adorable ponies.

�� What to Expect:

Mindfulness Time with Ponies: Learn calming techniques and emotional regulation skills while spending quality time with our gentle ponies.

Pony Care: Discover the joys of caring for ponies through grooming, feeding, and building a bond.

Riding and Mounted Games: Experience the joy of pony rides and engage in fun, team-based games that promote confidence and cooperation.

Mindful Nature Art: Unleash your creativity with activities that inspire observation and connection with the natural world.

© Connect with Nature: Immerse yourself in the tranquillity of our beautiful, quiet stables and serene surroundings.

Make New Friends: Build connections and friendships with other children in a supportive, nurturing environment.

Spaces are limited to 12 children! Email now to ensure your spot. Contact: <u>bookings@yourspacetherapies.org</u> Cost: £110 plus VAT

Join us for an unforgettable experience that combines mindfulness and pony magic! $(\mathfrak{A}) \otimes (\mathfrak{A})$



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Parent and Carer Digital Safety Newsletter

Online influence and dangers to young people

Following the Netflix drama Adolescence, it's clear that young people today are growing up surrounded by toxic online influencers on social media that portray masculinity and the treatment of women and girls in an alarming manner.

Social media algorithms can amplify extreme content, such as misogynistic posts, which normalises harmful ideologies for young people and can leave them feeling confused or anxious and may even lead to harmful behaviour.

What can parents do?

- Firstly, familiarise yourself with what your child is looking at on the internet. It is useful to familiarise yourself with terms and emoji language, CCDH has a useful glossary of terms, (like incel, bluepill, chad, looksmaxxing) which can help understanding of the cultures online.
- Being familiar with the most common platforms and understanding how your children engage with them. For example, do they post regularly, share content, have lots of friends/followers?
- Talk to your child about what they are engaging with online and how it makes them feel.

- Have conversations with your children about the sites and chat forums they visit. Their views may be attached to their identity, and attacking the views may feel personal. This is called 'Identity Fusion' and although you may not change their mind immediately, moving them into uncertainty is a positive start.
- Explain to your children about age appropriateness and help them understand how they can change algorithm 'bubbles' if they feel they are seeing too much of a particular kind of content.
- Teach your child to block, mute, unfollow, and report content that makes them feel uncomfortable.
- If you are concerned your child is being harassed or negatively influenced online, report it to the Police.
- Please watch our <u>Eventbrite collection</u> page for parents webinars coming soon.



Digital Safety & Fraud Prevention Team