

LONDON MEED PRIMARY SCHOOL - Newsletter 23rd September 2022

BRAVERY, COMMUNITY, CURIOSITY, RESILIENCE, RESPECT



Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been another exciting week at London Meed. Clubs have now started, and it was lovely to see lots of delighted children making their way to play netball, make origami, learn French and many other activities. It was also great to have parents and carers in school, meeting class teachers and finding out about plans for the year ahead.

For children starting school for the first time in September 2023 we will be holding our Open Day on Thursday 24th November. There will be two sessions, 9.30-10.45am and 1.30-2.45pm. To book a place please go to [Open Day booking form](#) the link can also be found on our website.

Our new Reception children have continued to settle in well this week. We will be holding two "6 week in sessions" for parents and carers of children in The Orchard. These take place on Monday 17th October and Tuesday 18th October from 9.15-10.15am. Miss Griffiths will give a short presentation in the large hall and parents/carers will then be invited to visit the classrooms. A link to book a place at one of these sessions will be emailed in the next couple of weeks.

Following the Meet the Teacher sessions we will be offering parents/carers an opportunity to meet with their child's class teacher at one of our Parents Consultation sessions taking place on Monday 7th November 3.30-6pm and Thursday 10th November 3.30-6pm. Details on how to book will be sent just before half term.

Congratulations go to this week's "Super Staff" winners - Mr Terrill, Mrs Cooper and Mrs Cobham.

Have a lovely weekend, everyone.

Mrs Langtree

Head teacher

National Online Safety

We are delighted to announce that at London Meed we have shown our commitment to protecting our pupils online by working with National Online Safety - providing a wealth of resources for all parents and carers. This week's parental guide is on Snapchat.

There is an expectation that all parents and carers sign up to National Online Safety, as we will be using it to share information and resources throughout the year. **Please remember that we will be contacting families who have not signed up by 30th September.** Please contact the school office if you need any support with signing up.

To create your 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.



Attendance

Good attendance at school is vital for future success. Our Attendance Policy is reviewed each year so everyone knows what to expect and what to do. (A full copy of the policy is attached).

As parents you are legally responsible for ensuring your children of school age receive a suitable full time education.

The school must keep an attendance register or a computerised registration system in which pupils' attendance details are marked at the beginning of each morning session (8.45am) and at the start of the afternoon session (1pm) of every day the school is open for instruction.

Of course, pupils can't avoid being ill from time to time and the following guidelines will help you to decide whether your child should be kept at home.

RED

STAY AT HOME

Raised temperature (of over 37.5)

Rashes can be the first sign of many infectious illnesses such as chickenpox and measles. If your child has a rash, check with your GP before sending them to school.

Vomiting and diarrhoea. Children can return to school after 48 hours.

AMBER

TAKE ADVICE

Headaches. A child with a minor headache does not usually need to be kept off school.

If the headache is more severe or is accompanied by other symptoms such as raised temperature or drowsiness, then keep your child at home and consult your GP.

GREEN

COME TO SCHOOL*

Mild cough

Mild cold

Sore throat (unless accompanied by a raised temperature)

Feeling tired

*We will contact you if your child deteriorates during the school day.

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London Meed Hero Awards

Name of Child	Class	Reason
Faith	1S	For setting an excellent example by demonstrating all of our school values.
Leo	1W	For being a fantastic role model and learning partner in our class.
Seb	2DJ	For showing great enthusiasm for all of our learning and being a helpful and compassionate member of the class.
Rhys	2M	For showing curiosity in his approach to learning about castles.
Kobe	3M	For always being ready to learn and challenging himself in every lesson. He is also a very supportive and enthusiastic member of the class. Fantastic work!
Tom	3C	For using different methods to solve the same mathematical problem, involving 3 digit numbers.
Noah	4P	For always having a positive attitude in Maths, persevering with challenges and inspiring others in their learning.
Oliver	4O	For excellent work in Geography drawing a sketch map and for always being positive curious and ready to learn
Amelia S	5S	For always being caring and respectful and showing support to others when working in a group.
Esme	5D	For consistently engaging well with her work and showing curiosity in classroom discussions. Keep it up Esme!
Mason	6B	For working carefully in maths to solve problems using negative numbers and for a brilliant character description. Keep it up, Mason!
Junior	6K	For having a motivated attitude to learning and for stretching yourself in every lesson.

Meet the Teacher

The Year 2 and 6 sessions have been rescheduled - please see new dates below.

Year group	Date
Year 2 Year 6	19th Sept 2.40pm - 3pm - postponed to 26th September 2.40pm -3pm 19th Sept 2.55pm - 3.15pm - postponed to 3rd October 2.55-3.15pm

MG Leonard visit

We have a new date for the author MG Leonard visit, Tuesday 4th October. The Book Nook will be selling her books before school. If you would like to pre-order a book for signing please click the link below:

<https://booknookuk.com/m-g-leonard-school-events>

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NEW - London Meed celebrates reading

Miss Oliver and 4O are reading 'The Land of Roar' by Jenny McLachlan who is our class author.

Have you ever dreamt of or made up an imaginary world? This fantasy adventure story has something for everyone. Rose and Arthur set off to an imaginary world full of mermaids, wizards and dragons. They learn more about each other and are united in their quest. It has echoes of Peter Pan and if you enjoy fantasy adventure then 'Nevermore', 'Wizards of Once' and 'How to

train your dragon' are also one to watch out for. Jenny McLachlan has written a whole series based on the Land of Roar. Her newest release has already grabbed some of our readers. 'Dead Good Detectives' We were very excited to receive a personal video message from Jenny and will look forward to sending our questions to her and receiving further messages.



Book Recommendations

Please take a look at the book recommendations list for each year group on our website via the following link [Book recommendation lists](#)

Coming to a classroom near you: Reading Buddies!

Reading buddies are returning to London Meed! This is a wonderful opportunity for the older members of our school community to work with and get to know the younger members, whilst supporting each other to develop their reading skills. An incredibly popular part of our reading opportunities at London Meed!

EYFS Apples Griffiths	EYFS Cherries Denham/ Hair	Year 1 Percival Winkley	Year 1 Donaldson Stacey	Year 2 Henn Davies- Jones	Year 2 Gravett Maddock	Year 3 Cowell Cobham
Year 6 Rundell Balan	Year 6 Hardy King	Year 3 Rauf McConnell	Year 4 Pichon Pritchard	Year 5 Tompson Dagleish	Year 4 McLachlan Oliver	Year 5 Lenoard Smith

Forthcoming Trips

Year 2	28th September	Arundel Castle
Year 4	28th September	Lewes Railway Land Project
Year 3	4th October	Bushcraft



Year 1

7th October

Wakehurst Place

What to expect from your School Nurse Service (Ages 5-19)

School nurses provide support to ensure that children, young people and families can access appropriate information and advice. Prior to this your child may have received support from the Health Visiting Service. If your child attends a primary school (including academies and free schools) you can expect to have contact with the screening team when your child is in Reception. A hearing and vision screen is offered to your child plus a growth measurement as part of the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP). Your child will also be offered a further growth measurement in Year Six, again as part of the NCMP. You will be contacted with the results of vision and hearing screening tests and will receive a letter about the NCMP measurements. You will have the chance to opt out of the screening of your child if you'd like to.

We ensure all children aged from 0-19 years are offered early intervention, prevention and health promotion services, which are designed to help them enjoy the best possible health and wellbeing. Families need support for specific issues at specific times and school nurses work to provide support or guidance about children's health and development. The service provided to each family will vary according to a personalised assessment of their own needs and evidence of what will work for them.

We can also refer your child to a range of other services depending on their health needs. We can offer support on growth, weight, eating and healthy lifestyles, sleep, dental and oral care, immunisations, developmental concerns, continence issues, emotional and mental wellbeing, and children and young people who identify as LGBT+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, plus), as well as on young carers. We can also offer support and advice around sexual health and contraception, and drugs and alcohol.

Young people aged 11-19 can also use our Chat Health texting service to contact the school nurse, and this can also be used by parents/carers of primary-aged children. More information on Chat Health is available in this film.

The Health Visitor and School Nurse teams also work with other agencies, such as schools and GPs, to develop and deliver care to the most vulnerable children and families. This includes working alongside Children's Social Care to safeguard children and young people.

West Sussex School Nurse contact details

West Sussex Parentline (For children aged 0-5 years): Text 07312 277163. You can use this anonymous text service at any time and we will return your message within 24 hours, Monday to Friday, 9am-4.30pm, except for bank holidays and weekends. This service is for advice and support only, please do not message to arrange or amend appointments.

West Sussex Telephone: 01273 242004 (Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm, excluding bank holidays). This is for advice, support and appointments.

West Sussex email: sc-tr.wsxhcpduty@nhs.net

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PE Days

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

B.Y.O.B
BRING YOUR OWN BOOZE

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LONDON MEED SCHOOL
FRIDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 2022
Arrive 7.30 for an 8pm start
TO BUY YOUR TICKETS


SCAN ME

or visit
www.pta-events.co.uk/londonmeed

ONLY £20 PER TEAM
Maximum 6 per team

SOFT DRINKS & SNACKS FOR SALE ON THE NIGHT

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Contact Details

Please email office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk with any changes to your contact details. Many thanks.

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 -Thursday 1st September

Children return Friday 2nd September

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

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>