



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week, I have been conducting pupil interviews with children from different year groups. Children love to share their learning and thoughts about our school. I was delighted when one child who was asked “What is the best thing about London Meed?” replied with “Our values. They sum up our school.” Hemish, from Year 4 was the embodiment of curiosity during the interviews when he asked me “What is the difference between religion and culture?” It is wonderful to see our children thinking deeply and feeling confident to ask thought provoking questions.

There was high excitement in school on Tuesday as a number of our pupils attended the O2 Arena (see below). I would like to thank Mrs Stacey for arranging for our school to take part in Young Voices for the first time; Mrs Dudding, Mr O’Donoghue and Mrs Baring for teaching the songs; Mr Terill and Ms Brayne for making the arrangements and ensuring everyone got there and back safely; Mrs Radford, Mrs Smith and Mr Dagleish for giving up their time to ensure the event could take place. The coach left London Meed at 12:30 pm and arrived back around 11:30. There were lots of sleepy staff and children on Wednesday but we will do it all again next year.

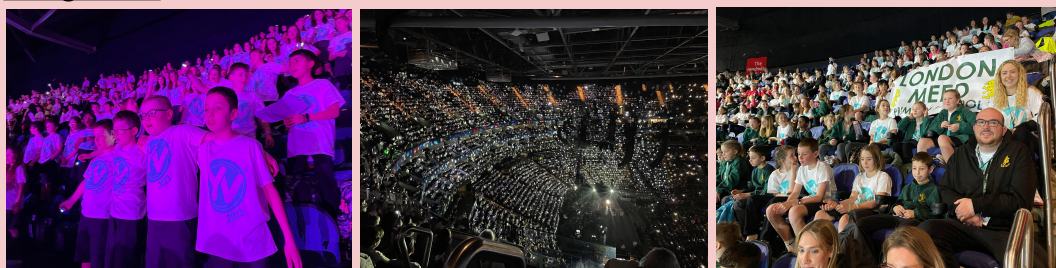
There are still children wearing hoodies on non P.E. days. The P.E. days for each group are listed below. If you are unsure of what constitutes P.E kit and uniform, please look on the website at our uniform policy [Uniform Policy](#).

Have a lovely weekend.

Natalie Langtree

Head teacher

Young Voices



On Tuesday, a number of our Year 5 and 6 pupils visited the O2 Arena in London to take part in Young Voices 2023 <https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/> The children were part of a school choir made up of 9,000 pupils from around the country. The children all wore their Young Voices T-shirts and received a small torch to wave during the event. They were accompanied by a full band, dancers, beat boxers and professional singers, including 90’s legend Heather Small. They sang to an audience of 10,000 parents, carers and family. The staff attending were incredibly proud of our impeccably behaved children, who really embodied our school values of: Bravery, Resilience, Respect and Community. “It was fun and I enjoyed singing with my friends” Charlie K “I enjoyed when the beat boxers came on and we joined in with them.” Mollie T
We would like to say a big thankyou to the London Meed Association for contributing to the cost of the coaches to and from the event.

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Name of Child	Class	Reason
Mollie P.	6B	For persevering with calculating missing angles and for always producing beautifully presented work. Keep it up, Mollie!
Alice T	6K	For showing resilience with her reading and completing her most challenging book yet!
Asher R	5D	For his informative and gripping newspaper report on the vicious Viking attack of Lindisfarne, which included: quotes, passive voice and descriptive language. Keep up all your hard work, Asher.
Koray K	5S	For showing bravery and community spirit when performing at the O2 as part of the Young Voices choir, you performed really well.
Hemishram	4P	For having a great attitude towards his learning and always achieving his best.
Eva	4O	For showing great positivity of spirit and offering encouragement to others and for her resilient attitude to her work even when it gets challenging.
Leia	3M	For writing a fantastic diary entry using different pronouns and expanded noun phrases. You were also very brave when sawing wood for your Chinese dragons in DT. Well done!
Andria	3C	For using past tense to record her ideas as an Emperor.
Guntaj	2DJ	For making great suggestions about how penguins might be feeling, as well as giving reasons why. Well done!
Zachary	2M	For working hard to support his class community when learning a new skill.
Alice BB	1S	For comparing pirates that lived a long time ago with modern day pirates and for explaining how they are different.
Daisy	1W	For her amazing attitude to learning and always greeting me every morning with a HUGE smile.
Phoebe	Apple	For her enthusiastic attitude in all of her learning.
Frankie	Cherry	For being a shining example of our School Values.

London Meed Loves Reading

World Book Day Announcement:

This year World Book Day will be taking place on Thursday 2nd March. Here is a summary of what will be happening at London Meed so far. More news will follow!

Children will be invited to come to school in pyjamas so they can enjoy a bedtime story in our library. Everyone will be invited to decorate an item of their choice to showcase their favourite book. They could choose a paper plate, potato, pebble, wooden spoon, shoe box, lolly stick, paper lantern, pillowcase, t-shirt, poster, or any other item they can think of. Children will be asked to recommend a book to their class that they think is brilliant. There will be our famous 'shelfie' competition. The winner of the West Sussex 'Picture Books To Shout About' award will be announced.

More news to follow over the coming weeks.

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The Governors' Parental survey 2022

Last term the governors conducted an online survey of parents to help understand the feelings of the parental body. In total there were 99 responses, as well as some comments. The vast majority felt their children were happy at school (97%), that the school provided a good range of subjects and experiences (99%) and a wide range of clubs for which the pupils could participate.

The question which received the greatest concern was whether the school let parents/carers know how their child is doing, which 19 respondents disagreed with. Parents are invited to parent consultations, and teachers are available to talk to parents at other times informally as well. If parents are unable to attend parental consultations, the school makes efforts to arrange alternative opportunities.

When asked about bullying, 78% parents had no experience of their child being bullied, 14% felt the school had dealt with issues effectively, while 7% disagreed.

Thirteen people felt the school did not respond to concerns. The school welcomes parents to talk to their child's teacher in the first instance and if the matter is not dealt with, it can be taken up with a member of the senior leadership team, or Mrs Langtree. 75% of parents of SEND children felt their children were supported, while four families (25%) felt negative about their children's experiences.

Some parents were unaware of what their child was learning at school, and as a result of this we are asking the school to publicise the Google Classrooms and school website, where there is a multitude of information. We had comments saying that the school gives parents too much information, and some saying they want more!

I would like to thank everyone who took the time to fill in the survey. It helps governors to develop their understanding of the school community and to pinpoint areas where we can improve. We will be interviewing the pupils this term.

Tricia Eastley, Chair of Governors

23/01/2023

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
Friday 10th February	INSET Day
Monday 13th - Friday 17th Feb	School closed for half term.
Monday 20th February	School reopens
Thursday 23rd February	Year 3 visit to the Royal Pavilion.
Thursday 2nd March	World Book Day further information to follow.
Tuesday 7th March	Y6 SATS Parents meeting in the large hall at 2.30pm - full details to be sent to parents in due course.
Wednesday 8th March	Y2 visit to the British Wildlife Centre
Monday 13th March and Thursday 16th March	Parent Consultation evenings and Book Nook Book Fairs
Week commencing 20th March	Clubs finish for the term
Friday 31st March	Last day of the Spring term



West Sussex [Single Point of Access](#)

The West Sussex Single Point of Access (SPoA) is a dedicated service which provides a simplified single route to access specialist emotional wellbeing and mental health support. The SPoA helps direct you to the right service, eliminating the need to refer to multiple services. Led by Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, the service is delivered in partnership with West Sussex County Council's Youth Emotional Support Service (YES) and YMCA Dialogue. E-wellbeing is the digital front door for West Sussex SPoA. [Visit the e-wellbeing website](#) for more information.

SPoA accepts referrals for children and young people from the age of four up to a young person's 18th birthday. The young person must also be registered with a West Sussex GP (please note. YES will accept referrals for young people who live in West Sussex or go to a West Sussex school). To make a referral please visit their website [Single Point of Access](#)

Anyone can make a referral including: **children, young people, parents, carers, families, GPs and other professionals**. All Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC) and ADHD (neurodevelopmental) referrals need to continue via the [current referral pathways](#). If there is a mental health or emotional wellbeing concern separate to this, the young person can be referred to SPoA.

Referrals for young people with eating disorders, including Anorexia Nervosa and Bulimia Nervosa, need to continue directly to [Sussex Family Eating Disorder Service \(SFEDS\)](#).

West Sussex Household Support Fund

The Government has announced the continuation of the Household Support Fund, to provide support between 1 October 2022 and 31 March 2023. The fund is intended to cover a wide range of low-income households in need. Any households who believe they meet the criteria can apply. Household Support Funds will be available through a range of different methods including via district and borough councils, direct support through applications via the Community Hub and distributed in partnership with other organisations including Citizens Advice and food and fuel banks.

We know that sudden unexpected costs can create real challenges for our residents who are experiencing financial hardship. The Household Support Fund is available to provide one off short-term support to meet immediate needs and help those who are struggling to access the essentials. Due to the limited amount of funds available, we will prioritise items necessary for day-to-day living such as food, energy and water.

Food and household essentials vouchers

Successful applicants will be awarded the below supermarket voucher values depending on the size of their household.

Households with one or more adults: £25

Households with one child: £50

Households with two or more children: £75

Energy support

If you are currently experiencing financial hardship with no alternative option available and are concerned that your energy supply may be at risk of disconnection, please complete an application for support.

Local support

Help can also be provided by district and borough councils including support and advice about housing and rent payments.

Apply for support

You will need to provide evidence of hardship with your application form and our team will assess your circumstances against the eligibility criteria. You will need documentation supporting your application, such as: proof of ID, photographic or official letter, a recent bill or official letter as proof of address and residence in West Sussex, evidence of benefits, including any discounts or reductions, other relevant evidence of your household's current hardship. Please be aware, we may not be able to process your application without the supporting documentation. Use the West Sussex County Council online form [Application or request for support](#)

If your request is urgent, for example, you are going to run out of food within the next two days, please phone 033 022 27980. Lines are open between 9.00am-5.00pm seven days a week, including bank holidays.

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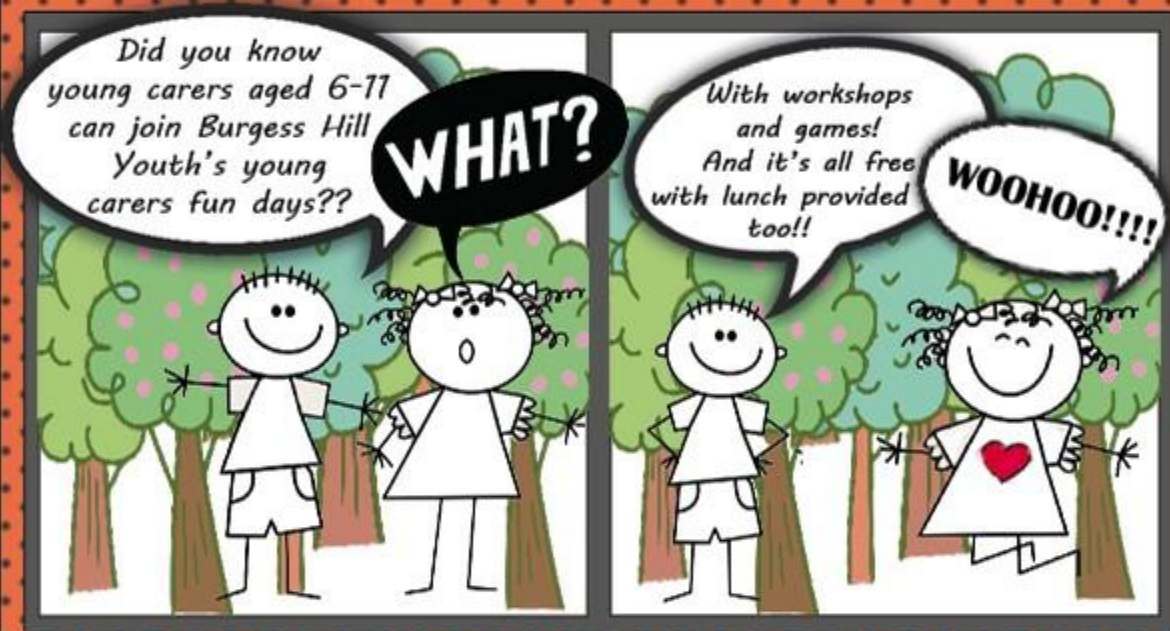


Please remember to send your child in their PE kits on their allocated PE day below.

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



YOUNG CARERS FUN DAYS



UPCOMING DATE:

TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

10AM-2.30PM

FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE, WESTERN ROAD

SIGN UP AT:

WWW.BURGESSHILL.GOV.UK/TOWN-COMMUNITY/YOUNG-CARERS/

For further information contact;
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BOYS' TRAINING PROGRAMME

TRAINING DATES ANNOUNCED:

JANUARY 27TH

FEBRUARY 10TH

MARCH 10TH

FRIDAY EVENINGS 6-8PM

VENUE: HAYWARDS HEATH COLLEGE (INDOORS), RH16 1LT

COST: £9 PER SESSION OR ALL THREE FOR £24.

EACH SESSION INVOLVES SMALL GROUP FOCUSED TRAINING (6-7PM) FROM OUR CLUB HEAD COACH AND LONDON PULSE COACH KIANA STAGG & THEN MATCH PLAY AGAINST ONE OF OUR MAGIC TEAMS (7-8PM).

AS THIS PROGRAMME BUILDS, WE HOPE TO INCREASE THE FREQUENCY OF TRAINING, FIND MATCH PLAY OPPORTUNITIES TO COMPLETE AND (IF THEY WANT TO) HELP PLAYERS PROGRESS ON THE PATHWAY.

PLEASE EMAIL: ADMIN@MAGICNETBALL.CO.UK FOR THE SIGN UP FORM.

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Term Dates 2022-2023

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

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

Bank Holidays - Monday 1st and Monday 8th May

INSET DAY - Friday 26th May

Half term 29th May to 2nd June

INSET DAY Monday 5th June

Last day of term Friday 21st July

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