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NEWSLETTER: Friday 7th June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

The field is dry, the grass has been cut, the sun is shining and the children have finally been able to go on the field. We are hoping for a continued dry spell ahead of next week's Sports Day and Community Picnic

In Celebration assembly today, we spoke to the children about the definition of bullying and how this differs to falling out with a friend. Bullying is: targeted, deliberate, ongoing and usually involves an imbalance of power. All children are encouraged to say "Stop it! I don't like it!" if someone says or does something they don't like and to tell an adult if the situation continues. In addition, all children are encouraged to have a safety network of five trusted adults they can talk to if they have a worry. These should include three adults in school. We also have a "Time to Talk" box outside the office where children can write their names if children would like to talk to me, Mr Terrill or Mr Viinikka.



Those of you who drop off or collect children from school will have seen the poppy display on the Key Stage 2 gates. This was the idea of Mr King and will be a permanent commemoration of D-Day. To mark the day, children spent yesterday afternoon taking part in D-Day themed activities which included designing poppies and watching news clips.



Yesterday evening, our Community value was evident at the Burgess Hill D-Day commemorations. Molly T, 6B, Deputy Mayor of the Youth Council along with the Mayor of the Youth Council joined our Burgess Hill Mayor, Janice Heywood in laying a wreath at the war memorial. There were many of our current and past pupils taking part in the commemorative events.

Staffing Update

Mr King will be leaving us at the end of this term as he has secured a promotion in a school nearer to his home. Congratulations Mr King and thank you for organising events such as Pro-Strike football and the visit from the McLaren Automotive team.

Have a lovely weekend everyone. Natalie Langtree, Head teacher

Burgess Hill Youth Town Council





Molly T, from class 6B has been extremely busy in her role as Deputy Mayor of Burgess Hill Youth Council.

Last month, she helped out at The Burgess Hill Academy's summer fair and raised just over £90 for The Burgess Hill Pantry which is the chosen local charity of the Burgess Hill Youth Council this year. A cheque was presented by the Youth Mayor and Deputy Mayor to The Pantry this Wednesday following an informative talk and tour. The Youth Council will continue to raise funds for The Pantry throughout the year.

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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
Zoe B.	6B	For effectively using dialogue and description in her writing and punctuating her work correctly. Keep it up, Zoe!
Jake	6H	For writing an excellent short story this week and using dialogue between characters effectively. Well done Jake!
Henry I	5D	For making informed inferences when learning about slavery and providing lots of details when summarising the life of Olaudah Equiano as well as predicting how he would have felt during each key moment of his life. Keep up all your hard work, Henry!
Thomas	5S	For being respectful and considerate of others when participating in historical and ethical discussions around slavery.
Rishitha	40	For settling well into year 4 and always working hard showing great resilience.
Harvey Skinner	4P	For being consistently focussed in maths and showing resilience whilst learning his times tables.
Lara	3C	For showing resilience to solve questions using hours, minutes and seconds.
Thomas	3M	For showing resilience when telling the time to the nearest minute using past and to. Well done Thomas!

Alice	2K	For showing true Community spirit by always being kind, caring and respectful towards others.
Erin	2M	For working so hard to improve her reading. Well done Erin!
Leo	Apples	Confident, fantastic reading, using all his phase 2 and 3 sounds and reading lots of tricky words on sight!
Liam	Cherries	For making the most of his independent learning time by trying a wide range of different dinosaur activities within the environment.

Y5 Science Workshop



On Thursday, Sophie, Lola, James and Hemish visited Burgess Hill Academy to take part in a Science workshop. They used a range of equipment to make different solutions connected to copper. The children behaved impeccably, embodying our school values of Respect and Curiosity.

Y5 Trip to Bedelands



On Wednesday, our Year 5 children visited Bedelands Nature Reserve in Burgess Hill.

As part of our topic this term we were looking at where would be the best location to make a shelter. We looked at ensuring there was a water source and

protection from the elements.

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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 https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/find-a-family-hub/mid-sussex-family-hub/#.

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 https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

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-childrenand-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

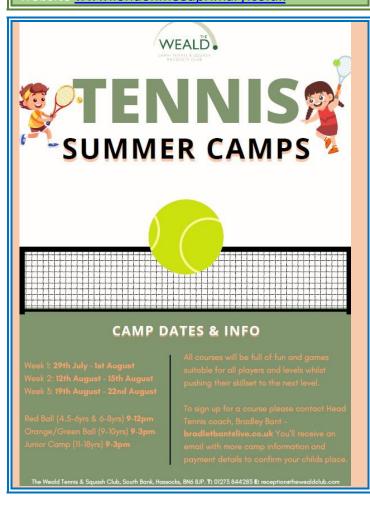
Monday 2nd June 2025

Here is the link to the WSCC term dates

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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

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!