



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week our Year 2 pupils have been taking their end of KS1 national curriculum tests (SATs). They have been calm and collected and given their absolute best. These tests contribute to overall teacher assessment.

It is a delight to walk around our school and COVID feels like a distant memory. Every lunchtime I meet children on their way to one of the many clubs we offer. I am so proud of what we do at London Meed to enhance children's experiences.

Our governors were in school this week and took the opportunity to visit Mr Blake's Forest School session with Year 1. Jane D, Vice Chair of Governors, said "he should be in on CBeebies!" One of the things that really sets our school apart from other schools in the locality is our wonderful grounds.

You will have received emails this week about the Jubilee Celebration Picnic details. We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible as we come together to mark this historic event.



Many congratulations to Mr King who completed the Three Peak Challenge last weekend. He showed true resilience and bravery to raise money for REORG, a mental health charity for veterans. What a fantastic achievement! We are very proud of you, Mr King.

Thank you very much Sophie M from class 3C for playing Evening Tune on the piano for us in today's assembly. We were so impressed with how much she has learnt in a short space of time.

White Paper

The Government has announced their intention for all schools to be open for 32.5 hours a week. From September, gates will be open from 8.35am and registration will be earlier at 8.45am. Home time will continue to be 3pm for EYFS and KS1 children and 3.15pm for KS2 children. From September 2023, school will finish at 3.15pm for all pupils. This gives parents and carers one year's notice if they need to make changes to child care.

This is the last newsletter for this half term as we have INSET day on Friday 27th May, followed by half term and then another INSET day on Monday 6th June. We will look forward to seeing pupils back on Tuesday 7th June.

Hopefully the sunny weather will resume over the weekend. Do have a lovely time whatever the weather.

Natalie Langtree, Head teacher

London Meed Hero Award

Many congratulations to this week's London Meed Heroes.

Name	Class	Reason
Jasper H.	6B	For showing confidence and enthusiasm during our Financial Mathematics lesson and for being able to explain the meaning of technical words. Keep it up, Jasper!
Lana C	6D	For contributing ideas and working well as part of a group during a maths workshop delivered by Yorkshire Building Society, which her group won! Well done, Lana.
Henry S	5P	For participating well in class discussions around a balanced argument and for including these ideas confidently in his writing.
Graci	5S	For challenging herself to include cohesion within her balanced argument.
Tommy	4A	For an exceptional sketch this week. You have such a natural flare and talent. Keep it up.
Zarah	4O	For challenging herself and for working hard showing resilience and determination to write her Greek Myth.
Seth	3W	For an excellent performance during athletics.
Lucy	3C	For being an excellent role model and always being ready to share her knowledge with her peers.
Susie-Mai	2DJ	For showing resilience all week and trying her absolute best with her tests. I am so proud. Well done!
Leia	2M	For using her knowledge of number patterns to solve mathematical problems.
Vicky	1S	For being a good friend.
Aden	1DH	For being a resilient reader.
Hudson	Apple	For making an excellent effort with both his reading and writing during phonics lessons. Well done
Aroush	Cherry	For showing curiosity in all her learning and working exceptionally hard in her phonics.



Wellbeing Clinic

Would you like support regarding difficulties surrounding your child's sleep, eating, behaviour, routines or general wellbeing? Mrs Brayne will be running a monthly 'Wellbeing Clinic', where she will offer advice, or direct you to agencies or groups that might be able to help. The first clinic will be on Tuesday 24th May, from 9-10am and again from 2-3pm. Please email Mrs Brayne at datamanager@londonmeedprimary.co.uk to make an appointment.

National Numeracy Day



On Wednesday, 18th May, we celebrated National Numeracy Day by learning to work with money and manage a budget. The lesson was organised and delivered by two staff members, Kirsten R and Laura S from the Yorkshire Building Society. We enjoyed the session as we were asked to organise a party with a given amount of money. We not only learnt new vocabulary (profit, affordable, break even) but we also realised how important it is to spend money carefully. Many thanks to Kirsten R and Laura S for a fun and useful lesson!

YBS have very recently launched an online website around Money Minds which can be used directly by teachers, parents and students. [YBS Money Minds](#)

Y5/6 Cricket tournament

Yesterday, Miss Parker took nine children from Years 5 and 6 to play in a cricket tournament at Burgess Hill Cricket Club. They played

matches against other local schools and we are proud of the way they represented London Meed.

Y3 Tennis Festival



Eight children from Year 3 went to represent our school at the Road to Eastbourne tennis tournament on Wednesday 18th May 2022. They took part in lots of tennis skill based activities, for which

they gained points at each station.

Out of 22 schools that took part across Mid Sussex, our fabulous 8 managed to come in 8th place overall, which was a fabulous achievement! We also had a lot of fun! Well done to all the children who took part.

Miss Griffiths

Heidi book review by Willow, 6D

At the age of 5, a little orphan called Heidi is sent to live with her grandfather in the Alps (mountains). Everyone in the village is afraid of him, however, Heidi finds him fascinating with his 'long beard and busy, grey eyebrows'. Heidi loves her life in the mountains and enjoys all the beautiful scenery that she gets to see. She also enjoys playing with the goats and her new friend Peter. But one terrible morning she is forced to leave her grandfather to go and live with her aunt. In a new town with different people. Will Heidi ever make it back to the mountains where she belongs? Read this book to find out.

I would age this book 7+ because it's got some tricky language in it. I would recommend this to anyone who enjoys reading life-like stories.



Update from the Governors

The Governors this year have worked hard supporting the school, its pupils and parents. We have worked closely with school staff, helping them to implement the School Development Plan, driving continual improvement. To this end, we are looking forward to Ofsted coming in the next few months.

We have made financial decisions that have made a real impact. Apart from overseeing the budget for essential curriculum and running costs, we have been able to cover the cost of swimming, both the transport and lessons. We have also been able to subsidise the costs of trips and visits to school, all of which enhance the children's learning. This will not necessarily continue every year, but while we have a healthy budget, our priority is to make sure the pupils receive the benefit.

As part of our remit to provide challenges and be strategic, governors visit the school, and are involved in school improvement visits from the local authority. I am pleased to tell you that the most recent visit focussed on reading, and was judged very favourably. We have also spent time canvassing pupil's opinions, the results of which we will share in a future newsletter. We are looking forward to the Jubilee Celebration Picnic, and sharing that with the school. We hope as many of you as possible will join in!

Tricia Eastley, Chair of Governors



Platinum Jubilee Bench Competition

Mid Sussex District Council is running a Jubilee Bench competition. How could your design celebrate her Majesty the Queen and her 70 years on the throne? The winning design

will provide the inspiration for a handmade rustic wooden bench to be enjoyed by the public for years to come. A template is attached - time to get creative!

Please email designs to jubilee2022@midsussex.gov.uk or send to MSDC, Oaklands, Haywards Heath, RH16 4GS quoting 'Woodland seat competition'. Entries must be received by Tuesday 7th of June.





- Please help give our fundraising a much-needed boost
- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Cash prize winner EVERY week
- Win up to £25,000!

[PLAY NOW](#)

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 25th June 2022. Terms and conditions apply (see website for details).

LMA School Lottery

Attached is information about our new London Meed Community Primary School lottery. This lottery has been set up specifically to raise money and make a difference for our children!

It's a fantastic way to bring Parents, Carers, Teachers and the wider community together, in partnership with our school, and at the same time give something back. We hope to raise funds that can support and enrich the education of our children - we aim to provide extra resources for the children, improve the school environment as well as run extracurricular activities such as music, art and sport.

Your support is greatly appreciated and we wish you good luck!

Yours sincerely, *The London Meed Association*



Term Dates 2021-2022

For WSCC term dates please visit

https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/media/12668/2020-21_term_dates.pdf

Summer term	Starts Monday 25th April BANK HOLIDAY - 2nd May INSET DAY - Friday 27th May Half term 30th May to 3rd June INSET DAY Monday 6th June Last day of term Thursday 21st July
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Please remember to send your child in their PE kits on their allocated PE day below. **Please note there has been a change in days for Apples and Cherries.**

Apples	Tuesday and Thursday
Cherries	Monday and Wednesday
Year 1	Monday and Wednesday
Year 2	Tuesday and Friday
Year 3W Zephaniah	Monday and Friday
Year 3C Dahl	Tuesday and Friday
Year 4	Monday and Tuesday
Year 5	Monday (swimming - please wear school uniform) and Wednesday
Year 6	Monday and Thursday



LMA Pre-Loved Uniform sale

There will be an LMA second hand uniform sale at the Jubilee Celebration Picnic on Thursday 26th May. If you have second hand uniform donations please pop them in the lidded box outside the main office. Many thanks.



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