



# London Meed Primary School Newsletter

20th January 2025

Bravery Curiosity Resilience Community Respect



What a busy week we had last week!

Monday started with an exciting Maths Mastery workshop for Year 1 parents. This was very kindly run by Mrs Balan and Mrs Denham. Parents worked with their children to look at how we teach Maths in Year 1.



Some of our Year 1's went to St Paul's for a 'net sports competition', where they got to try games such as badminton. Mrs Cobham and Mrs Charker reported how brilliantly behaved our children were and what amazing sporting superstars they were - thank you Year 1.

I have been in and out of classes seeing all the amazing learning going on. In Year 6, they were exploring the book and film, 'Goodnight Mr Tom' and using this to write their very own evacuee diaries from World War 2. Some of the detail the children included in their diary entries was just fantastic. In Year 4, the children were learning about life in the Amazon rainforest and both the positive and negative impacts civilisation is having. In Year 3, they were learning all about how to use suffixes and how they changed the word into a new word. The children were definitely becoming experts in this. In Year 2, they are learning all about Polar Bears and are fast becoming Polar Bear experts; they were able to talk about some amazing facts such as polar bears having black skin underneath their fur and why. I cannot wait to get around the rest of the school this week to see what the children are up to!

This week we have some of our Year 3 children going to a basketball festival at Haywards Heath college. On Friday, many of our year 5 children and some Year 6 are off to Young Voices at the O2 in London. This is such an exciting event where they get to perform alongside thousands of other children in a huge venue. Thank you to all the members of staff going with them as it is a very late night back to school. We wish them so much luck with their performance.

## **PARKING PLEA:**

We have had quite a few complaints from residents regarding parking, especially parking over people's drives so they cannot get in or out. We have told residents to report anyone who does this directly to the police. Please be respectful of other people and their properties when you park. We have also noticed more parents pulling up in front of the staff and disabled parking bays directly outside the school. This is not a parking area. You will be asked to move and leave the school premises, which does include outside Woodlands Meed. We have noticed that some cars are moving further down the parking bay - this is not allowed.



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

<i>Name of child</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Reason</i>
Lola F.	6B	For her improved confidence and participation in our lessons and for showing resilience when solving more challenging tasks. What a motivated and inspiring learner you are, Lola - keep it up!
Kieran	6H	For demonstrating curiosity, resilience and perseverance during lessons this week. Kieran has enthusiastically answered questions and discussed his learning. Fantastic effort Kieran, keep it up!
Isla A	5D	For showing resilience and bravery with all aspects of school life, particularly maths where she has been able to convert decimal numbers into fractions, compare and order decimal numbers in addition to rounding them. Keep it up, Isla!
Alfie B	4S	For adding valuable and insightful contributions to class discussions in Guided Reading and justifying them with evidence from the text. Well done, Alfie!
Luke	4N	For being a great learner. Luke has particularly impressed in guided reading, where he is beginning to dig deeper into texts to find the author's true meanings. He is polite, respectful, and always works so hard! Well done, Luke!
Jesse	3M	For showing resilience when multiplying and dividing 2 digit numbers. You are always challenging yourself to deepen your understanding and you show curiosity in every lesson. Well done, Jesse!
Ethan	3T	For being resilient and trying your hardest when learning my to multiply two-digit numbers by one-digit numbers in Maths. You are brilliant at exchanging! Keep up the good work.
Meryem	2O	For enthusiasm in learning because she always demonstrates curiosity and resilience when participating in lessons. Great work . Well done.
Eli	2S	For showing the school values of curiosity, bravery and resilience in his learning since the start of the Spring Term. I have noticed you doing all the right things and challenging yourself in your learning. Well done Eli!
The whole class	1C	For showing curiosity and respect during our class science lesson looking at different materials. You are an excellent role model for the whole class.
Jasmine C	1M	For showing curiosity when learning new things. Jasmine always follows the golden rules and is a real ambassador for others in the class. She has AMAZING ideas when accessing independent learning activities in the environment too! Well Done Jasmine!
Kooper	Apples	For showing bravery and resilience in phonics. You have made lots of progress and we are really proud of you.



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Maya	Cherries	For being a kind friend and excellent learner. We will all miss you so much!
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## Forest School plea from Mr Blake

Mr Blake would like donations of empty, clean tins of tuna for an activity during Forest School. They will be used to make individual cookers.



He is also looking for donations of tapered candles and wood shavings. Please hand any donations into the school office. Many thanks.

## REMINDERS:



**The school building opens to pupils and parents/carers at 8.35am.** Unless a prior arrangement has been made pupils are **not permitted** to enter the school building prior to this time.

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 [office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk) 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.**

<a href="mailto:theorchard@londonmeedprimary.co.uk">theorchard@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</a>	The Orchard
<a href="mailto:year1@londonmeedprimary.co.uk">year1@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</a>	Year 1
<a href="mailto:year2@londonmeedprimary.co.uk">year2@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</a>	Year 2
<a href="mailto:year3@londonmeedprimary.co.uk">year3@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</a>	Year 3
<a href="mailto:year4@londonmeedprimary.co.uk">year4@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</a>	Year 4
<a href="mailto:year5@londonmeedprimary.co.uk">year5@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</a>	Year 5
<a href="mailto:year6@londonmeedprimary.co.uk">year6@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</a>	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.



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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 <https://amzn.eu/i9G1rlm>

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>

## School Community News:

**New Mental Health and Well-being Website via West Sussex County Council:** West Sussex County Council have launched a new website to help children, families and schools with mental health and well-being. The link is below so please do have a look to see if there is anything that you might find supportive. <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/childrens-mental-health-and-emotional-wellbeing/>



## Referral to Healthy Child Programme 5-19 School Nursing Service

The School Nursing team can be contacted by parents directly for a variety of issues as listed below:

- Continence issues e.g., soiling, day, or night-time wetting
- Sleep issues
- Support for school staff when they need to produce individual health care plans for pupils
- Poor school attendance related to health issues
- Sexual health advice
- Lifestyle concerns including weight, smoking, drugs, or alcohol
- Health needs assessment following safeguarding meetings
- Emotional health and wellbeing support, such as low self-esteem, low mood, low level anxiety

Parents can contact the School Nurse team via the HCP 5-19 duty line 0300 303 1137, option 1.or by texting Parentline on 07312 277011. Parents and young people can also access their websites, Health for Kids and Health for Teens.



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## Forthcoming diary dates

Date	Event
Friday 24th January	Y5 trip to Young Voices
Thursday 13th February	LMA Discos. Further details to follow
Friday 14th February	INSET DAY - school closed to pupils.
17th - 21st February	HALF TERM - school closed.
Monday 24th February	School reopens after half term.
Wednesday 26th February	Biscuit and Banter with Miss Dowley
Thursday 27th February	Y3 visit to the Pavilion.
Tuesday 4th and Thursday 6th March	Parent Consultation evenings. Further details to follow.
Friday 5th March	Y6 trip to Newhaven.
Tuesday 11th March	Y2 trip to the British Wildlife Centre.
Friday 21st March	Comic Relief.
Wednesday 26th March	Biscuit and Banter with Miss Dowley.
Thursday 3rd April	Easter Raffle - details to follow.
Friday 4th April	Last day of the Spring term.
Monday 7th - 21st April	School closed for the Easter holidays. School reopens Tuesday 22nd April.

Term Dates 2024-2025



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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**

**Spring term 2025**

**INSET DAY - Friday 14th February**

Half term 17th February to 21st February

Children return Monday 24th February

Last day of term Friday 4th April

Easter Holidays 7th to 21st April

**Summer term 2025**

Starts Tuesday 22nd April

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

## 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.

**If you need any support in regard to children experiencing anxiety we are offering a down-to-earth webinar with lots of practical strategies to emotionally support overwhelming feelings.**

**The webinar is 'Anxiety Toolkit' and is on 25th January at 10am. For tickets please follow this link [Anxiety Toolkit Tickets](#)**

**Many thanks and best wishes, Your Space Therapies Limited**



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## THE HOLIDAY SKATE CLUB



CHILDREN AGED 6-12  
ALL ABILITIES WELCOME  
GAMES AND ACTIVITIES  
EQUIPMENT PROVIDED  
MOBILE SKATEPARK  
ARTS AND CRAFTS



EASTBROOK PRIMARY ACADEMY  
SOUTHWICK

PATCHAM HIGH SCHOOL  
BRIGHTON

£45 PER DAY | FULL-WEEK DISCOUNT  
LATE PICK AVAILABLE

MONDAY 17TH - FRIDAY 21ST FEB | 9AM - 3PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO:  
[THESKATECLUB.COM/HOLIDAYSKATECLUB](https://theskateclub.com/holidayskateclub)











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# Confidence Building Fun

Try a **FREE** drama, dance and singing class

— Hannah has thrived at Perform. It is her favourite thing to do and has given her so much confidence, fun and communication skills.  
*Hayley Fuller*

**PERFORM**  
WATCH YOUR CHILD SHINE

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## Boost your child's social skills

Perform's drama, dance and singing classes use the performing arts to

- ▶ Build confidence
- ▶ Boost concentration
- ▶ Enhance coordination
- ▶ Develop communication skills

**Why try Perform?**

- ▶ Unique performing arts-based games and exercises
- ▶ Focus on a different social skill each week
- ▶ Small classes and feedback on your child's progress
- ▶ Specially created scripts, videos and apps to support your child's learning
- ▶ End of term presentation for family and friends

— I think the whole Perform experience is absolutely brilliant. You get so much for your money and feel part of something really special. *Lucy Holmes*

**Try Perform for FREE**  
Your child can come and try a class for FREE and there's no obligation to join afterwards. With almost 500 Perform schools, find your nearest and book online at [perform.org.uk/try](https://perform.org.uk/try)

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