

London Meed Primary School

Bravery Curiosity Resilience Community Respect

NEWSLETTER: Friday 19th July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

This is my last ever newsletter and the final one of this year, so it is only right that it is dedicated to our community.

Firstly, I want to thank our children for being wonderful and making every day special. I am really going to miss them.

I want to say a huge thank you to you all for choosing to send your children to London Meed and for supporting the work we do to ensure the school is the best it can be.

Thank you to our amazing staff team for their commitment and dedication to the school. They have definitely earned their summer break, although I know that they are excited about their new classes in September.

Thank you to our Governing Body who have supported our school so well and especially during my Headship. They are all volunteers who give up their time to ensure that the school does everything with the children's best interest at heart.

Thank you to the LMA for their time and efforts. The money raised helps all of our children in so many ways. Please do get involved next year!

Thank you to Mr Winchester and Mrs Ecroyd for providing stability and excellent teaching to 4P over the last two years. They are both supply teachers and have gone above and beyond to ensure the children have had the same experiences and opportunities as their counterparts. We know we will see them again.

Many congratulations to Miss Pritchard who is getting married over the summer and will return in September as Mrs Austin.

Finally, we wish a fond farewell and our best wishes to the following staff: Mr Viinikka, Mrs Maddock, Mr King and Mrs Curran. We sincerely hope that they leave us with great memories.

The new school year will start for children on Tuesday 3rd September.

Have a lovely summer break.

Natalie Langtree, Head teacher

Y6 Production



Here are some Year 6 pupil comments about the show.

It was an exciting show - something that we don't get to see very often.

I like it because everyone was involved in it and did something.

I really enjoyed seeing how people interpreted the characters.

I enjoyed the humor - especially the gatekeepers.

I liked it because I never knew that some people could act so well.

I enjoyed the singing.

The acting was very good and humorous.

The practice/rehearsal was definitely worth it.

It was really nice to see everyone getting more confident as we were rehearsing.

It helped me feel comfortable talking to other people as we had to be together as a year group.

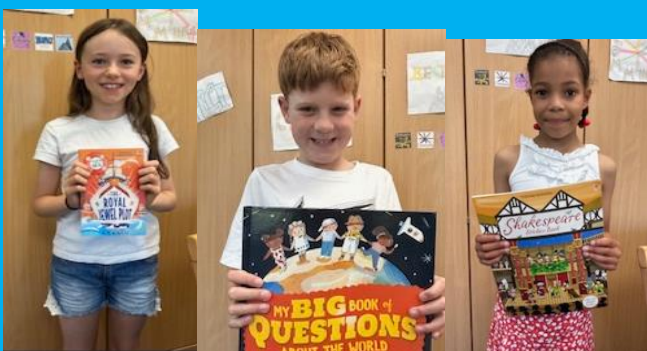
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Reading Raffle winners

Well done to this half term's Reading Raffle winners: Cindy-Lou, Faith, India, Bruce, Andria, Leo, Mia, Caelan, Charlie, Isla, Aden, Maia, Elle and Zoe.



Dance Talent



Darcy and Annabelle participated in the dance show last weekend (as shown in last weeks newsletter) but she also won the "Walkhouse House School of Dance award for Achievement, Dedication and Talent"

Darcy participated in 6 performances and one of those she only got asked to do a week before show time! It was a solo dance to accompany her favourite senior dance friend who was singing a solo.

Very well done to both girls!

London Meed Hero Awards

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

| Name of child | Class | Reason |
|---------------|-------|---|
| Josh | 5SL | For showing increased independence when working and having a conscientious attitude to learning. Well done, Josh! |
| Daisy | 2M | For respecting her right to learn and putting 100% in to all of her learning. Well done Daisy! |

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Mid Sussex Science Week



Last Friday a group of children from Year 5 attended the judging day for Mid Sussex Science Week. All of the children were great representatives for the school, presenting to judges about their investigation and its outcomes. The children also got to meet STEM industry leaders from the local area, taking part in lots of fun activities. The children were all polite and respectful throughout the day, really enjoying themselves.

Plea from The Orchard

Hello lovely parents of London Meed,

If anybody is having a spring clean / sort out / clear out over the holidays, and has any of the following items they may be able to donate to our Orchard, we would be extremely grateful.

- Wicker baskets
- Fruit bowl
- Plastic children's table cloth
- Kallax boxes / baskets
- Small clothes rail / coat stand
- Hangers
- Puppets (hand or finger) of any kind
- Car / town mat for the floor
- Dolls house furniture
- Small ish cable Reels in good condition
- Wooden spoons
- Silicone cake cases
- Children's magazines
- Old bits of collage / craft / paper plates etc
- Different types of interesting Hats (not caps), bags, scarves / materials for dress up
- Small Child's table (with chairs if possible, but not necessary) for role play

Thank you so much in advance.

Kind regards The Orchard Team

Musical Talent

Drum Lessons with Milo



Learn to play the drums in school. No need to have a kit at home. Grooves, fills, reading, songs with backing tracks and grades all covered. Individual or shared lessons. 30 years professional playing experience and over 20 years teaching in schools. See www.milofell.com for more information.

Contact milofell@hotmail.com

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

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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 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 wscchildrenservices@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-children-and-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

| 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 |

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

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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

Ultimate Activity Camps.



ULTIMATE ACTIVITY CAMPS
OFSTED REGISTERED
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GET SET FOR ULTIMATE HOLIDAY FUN!
Exceptional activity day camps for 4 to 14 year olds during the summer at
HANDCROSS PARK SCHOOL IN HAYWARDS HEATH
Monday - Friday
8am to 6pm
ULTIMATEACTIVITY.CO.UK

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Ultimate Activity Camps provide outstanding Ofsted-registered activity day camps for children aged 4-14 during the school holidays. Children will enjoy a fantastic range of over 40 sports, games and art activities every week led by engaging staff at amazing locations. Running this Summer at Handcross Park School in Haywards Heath.

W: <http://www.ultimateactivity.co.uk/FSF>

T: 0330 111 7077

E: help@ultimateactivity.co.uk

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/UltimateActivityCamps>



KING'S KIDS
SUMMER SATURDAY
SATURDAY 13 JULY
With special guest **Gemma Hunt** from CBeebies Swashbuckle
A fun-filled, action packed pirate adventure including an interactive show, singing and crafts!
Find out more and book online at: tkc.org.uk/summersaturday
THE KING'S CHURCH



Burgess Hill Fire Station Open Day
Wednesday 28 August
10am - 2pm