



Dear Parents and Carers,



What a fantastic week! Our library is finally open. On Monday, we were delighted to have our library officially opened by local author, Vashti Hardy. Having a real life author talk to the children was a very special and enriching experience. Please

see this week's Mid Sussex Times for photos and a full report of the day.

<https://www.midsussextimes.co.uk/education/new-library-opens-at-london-meed-primary-school-in-burgess-hill-author-vashti-hardy-cuts-the-ribbon-3398879>

Each day as I sit in the office I can hear children talking about the library as they walk past. Next week, they will have the opportunity to borrow a book.

We carried out our Covid review on Monday and are looking forward to clubs starting next week. This is the first time since March 2020, so adults and children alike are all very excited.

Hearing what pupils have to say about our school is extremely important. This week the Leadership Team has been interviewing groups of pupils across the school to hear their views. We were delighted to hear that our pupils feel safe, are enthused by their learning and proud of their school. Over the coming weeks we will be electing a new School Council. Each class from Year 1 upwards will be asked to elect their School Council Representative who will attend regular meetings with Ms Palethorpe to put forward their class ideas and views.

Have a lovely weekend.

Natalie Langtree, Head teacher

London Meed Hero Award

Many congratulations to this week's London Meed Heroes.

Name	Class	Reason
Leanna-Rose	6B	For using subordinating conjunctions correctly and ensuring her sentences made sense. Well done, Leanna-Rose!
Sofia	6D	For always displaying a positive attitude to her learning and showing resilience when using the inverse to check her answers and solve missing number problems.
Rio	5P	For showing independence and focus during lesson inputs. Keep it up!
Annabelle	5S	For using fantastic mathematical reasoning to explain her answers.
Martha	4O	For curiosity in learning and for always being ready to listen and learn.
Mille	4A	For showing curiosity in learning and putting 100% into all her work.
Jude	3Z	For demonstrating bravery and resilience throughout the week. You are a lovely member of our class community.
Lewis	3C	For showing independence and resilience when creating a fantastic Roman drawing.
Cooper	2M	For showing respect in his own attitude to learning and always trying to do his best learning.
Paige	2DJ	For writing a great diary entry about our trip to Bodiam Castle. Well done!
Frankie	1DH	For showing resilience in both phonics and English this week and producing some super writing.
Emily	1S	For showing all of the London Meed values this week.
Norman	Apples	For always making the right choices and being a good friend.
Pippa	Cherries	For always being kind and caring with her classmates, and making good choices.

Individual Photos - Monday 4th October

Astracolour will be in on Monday 4th October to take individual photos of all our pupils. Proofs will be sent home with the children once they have been received.

Please ensure all children are in full school uniform.



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Open Day - 25th November 2021

Was your child born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018? If so they are eligible to start school in September 2022. You can apply online from Monday 4th October 2021 via

www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions

The deadline to apply is Saturday 15th January 2022.



LONDON MEED PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN DAY
Bravery.....Community.....Curiosity.....Resilience..... Respect

If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2022, we would like to invite parents to visit us on our Open Day on Thursday 25th November at:- London Meed Community Primary School, Chanctonbury Road, Burgess Hill, RH15 9YQ. Sessions take place at: 9.30am-10.45am and 1.30-2.45pm. You will be able to see the school in action, meet children and staff and hear about our school. Please book your session by clicking the link below <https://forms.gle/HJh5ThFA1n6QhwsK9>. We look forward to meeting you!

We will be holding an Open Day on Thursday 25th November for parents and carers of children starting school in September 2022. Please see the information above.. To book a place at one of the sessions, please visit <https://forms.gle/TCeycFbBcULPRTEm6>

Y2 Trip to Bodiam



Year 2 visited Bodiam on Wednesday 29th September. Here are two pupils' diary entries they wrote on their return to school.

"Dear Diary,

Yesterday I went to Bodiam Castle. First we got on a coach and I sat at the top next to Olivia. Next I went up the tower and the steps were very steep. Then I saw the well, it looked dirty and I almost fell in. Next I saw a store full of armour and swords. Then I had lunch, one of the ducks sat on my lap then it went away and my lunch was yummy. After lunch I had a look in the moat and I saw fish with a funny mouth. Finally, we went back to school. My favourite one was when I went up the tower." Paige 2DJ Henn

"Dear Diary, Yesterday was the best day ever! First I got on the double decker to Bodiam Castle and it was a long trip. When I got there I had a snack and when I was done I walked straight to the castle. Then I walked over the drawbridge and I counted how many steps it would take and it took 95 steps. Next, I explored the castle and I saw the well and Mr Terrill told me that they make the well water into beer and the kids had to drink the beer. Finally, it was lunchtime and when I was eating my lunch there was a duck attack. After lunch I explored some more and when I finished exploring I got back on the double decker and went back to school. It was the best day ever!" Kobe 2M Riddell

Census Day - Thursday 7th October

Twice a year, once in the Autumn and once in the Spring term, we request that all children in The Orchard and Years 1 and 2 take up a free hot school meal. The Census day for this term is on Thursday 7th October.

The reason for this request is that for each child recorded as having a hot school meal on this day, the school will receive vital funding that is required to support your child's development. If your child is a fussy eater we will do our best to encourage your child to eat their hot lunch. If your child will only eat a packed lunch, then they may bring in a packed lunch as usual.

We would like to thank all parents for supporting the school and encouraging their child to have a hot school meal on Thursday 7th October.



Lunch Menu
Thursday 7th OCTOBER

Choose a main
Cottage Pie
Chickpea & Butternut Squash Curry & Rice

on the side...
Mixed Vegetables or Salad

for dessert...
Chocolate Fudge Brownie

for drink...
Blackcurrant Squash, Milk or Water

Orders must be placed by SUNDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 2021
www.mealselector.co.uk

**Free School Meals**

Is my child eligible?

From 1 April 2018, free school meals in all West Sussex maintained and free schools and academies are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the following benefits:

- **Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)**
- **Income Support**
- **Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance**
- **Income-related Employment and Support Allowance**
- **Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999**
- **The guaranteed element of state Pension Credit**
- **Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more £16,190)**
- **Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.**

A number of pupils will also be protected against losing their current free school meals. You can find more information on GOV.UK. If you are not eligible for benefits-related, free school meals, but your child is currently in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, they will automatically be entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals and you need not apply. Contact your school for details.

If you are eligible for benefits-related free school meals in accordance with the above criteria, and your child is also receiving Universal Infant Free School Meals, please continue to register. This will enable your child's school to claim valuable 'pupil premium' funding.

To apply for Free School Meals please visit

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/#how-to-apply>



YOUNG CARERS FUN DAY

A YOUNG CARER IS SOMEONE WHO IS LIVING WITH A PERSON WHO HAS AN ILLNESS, DISABILITY, MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, OR DRUG AND ALCOHOL PROBLEMS

10AM - 2PM TUES 26 OCTOBER

FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE, WESTERN ROAD

FOR AGES 6 - 11 YEARS

GAMES, FUN ACTIVITIES, CRAFT, LUNCH & REFRESHMENTS & LOTS MORE.

ALL FREE !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE OR GET MORE INFORMATION CONTACT JEN ON 01444 238207 (9AM - 3PM) OR EMAIL jennifer@burgesshill.gov.uk

Young Carers are children and young people who help look after a member of the family who is sick, disabled or has mental health problems, or is misusing drugs or alcohol. They may be someone who has direct caring responsibilities or they may be someone whose life is affected as a result of living with someone who has these conditions.

Burgess Hill Youth provide these additional fun activities free of charge with the administrative support from the Town Council. Details of our activities can be found here.

<http://www.burgesshill.gov.uk/town-community/young-carers/>

Please note there are two events – one for 6-11 years and then one for ages 10 plus. To book a place for your child please contact jennifer@burgesshill.gov.uk

LONDON MEED PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER: 1st October 2021

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PE Days

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

Apples	Monday and Thursday
Cherries	Tuesday and Friday
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	Wednesday and Friday
Year 6	Monday and Thursday

Contact Details

Please email office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk with any changes to your contact details. Many thanks.

Email addresses to contact teachers

Please only contact teachers via their year group email addresses listed below.

The Orchard	theorchard@londonmeedprimary.co.uk
Year 1	year1@londonmeedprimary.co.uk
Year 2	year2@londonmeedprimary.co.uk
Year 3	year3@londonmeedprimary.co.uk
Year 4	year4@londonmeedprimary.co.uk
Year 5	year5@londonmeedprimary.co.uk
Year 6	year6@londonmeedprimary.co.uk

Key dates

For up and coming key dates for this academic year please visit our website

<https://www.londonmeedprimary.co.uk/website/calendar/52708>

Term Dates 2021-2022

For WSCC term dates please visit

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

Autumn Term 2021	Thursday 2nd September(INSET DAY) Children return Friday 3rd September INSET DAY - Friday 22nd October Half term 25th October to Friday 29th October Children return Monday 1st November Last day of term Friday 17th December
Spring term 2022	Starts Tuesday 4th January INSET DAY - Friday 18th February Half term 21st February to 25th February Children return Monday 28th February Last day of term Friday 8th April
Summer term	Starts Monday 25th April INSET DAY - Friday 27th May Half term 30th May to 3rd June INSET DAY Monday 6th June Last day of term Thursday 21st July



Join Sophie and her new friend for tea! Storyhouse hosts a sensory storytelling workshop for pre-schoolers; to include play, songs and take-home crafts.

Mabel's Emporium/ Monday 4th October at 10.30am

[£8 per child to include snack and crafts](#)