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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am always so proud of our lovely school when I walk around each day and this week, I really enjoyed the opportunity to share our beautiful grounds with prospective parents of children starting school in September 2022. The parents were shown around by some of our super Year 6 pupils. These children know our school best and talked confidently about what it is like to be a pupil here.

As you are aware, COVID-19 positive cases are rising across our school. Please do take your child for a PCR test if asked by the school to stop asymptomatic pupils spreading the virus. Our risk assessments are reviewed daily to ensure we are keeping our school community safe. We are endeavouring to keep everything as normal as possible for the children as we recognise routine is so important to their well-being but things can change quickly if we cross a threshold of new cases in a class so do bear with us if we have to impose restrictions.

At school we talk in acronyms all of the time and can forget that not everyone knows what we are referring to. There are three key stages in school: EYFS (Apples and Cherries) also known as Reception; Key Stage One (Years 1 and 2); Key Stage Two (Years 3,4, 5 and 6).Do ask if there is ever anything you are unsure of.

The weather has definitely changed! I love to hear the children practising Christmas songs as I sit in my office and this definitely signals the approach of the festive season. It is really important that your child comes to school with a warm, named coat as we are still outside as much as possible. Can I politely remind you that black school shoes should be worn unless it is a PE day. Here is a link to our Snow and Bad Weather Policy https://www.londonmeedprimary.co.uk/website/snow and_bad_weather_policy/57489 Hopefully, we will not need to use it.

Thanks to your generous donations we raised just over £500 for Children in Need last Friday. This is an incredible amount of money especially as we did not have a cake sale this year.

Have a super weekend. Natalie Langtree Head teacher Many congratulations to this week's London Meed Heroes.

Name	Class	Reason
Chloe N.	6B Rundell	For detailed answers in Guided Reading, using evidence from the text, and for always going the extra mile when completing work in all the subjects. Keep it up, Chloe!
Dylan	6D Thomson	For his excellent work in Maths this week, where he was able to solve problems and reason when converting between different units of measure, and for always having a fantastic attitude towards his learning. Keep up all your hard work, Dylan.
Freddie	5P Haig	For good teamwork during P.E and for showing support to those around him.
Tobi	5S Leonard	For challenging himself when calculating area and perimeter and striving to do his best.
Harry	40 Davies	For improved attitudes to learning and for excellent leadership skills including all abilities in PE.
Oscar	4A Corbett	For creating excellent artwork when exploring different mediums
Тоby	3C Dahl	For an amazing setting description for 'Escape from Pompeii'.
Edward	3W Zephaniah	For excellent work in Maths and Geography this week.
Elsie	2M Riddell	showing curiosity in her learning and respect for herself and those around her. Elsie always does her best!
Jack	2DJ Henn	For his enthusiastic attitude during our Medieval Festival, Fabulous Finish.
Lara	1DH	For showing resilience in phonics.
Ryan	15	For excellent independent writing when thinking of an alternative ending to The Three Little Pigs story
lvy	Cherries	For her curiosity in her learning, and all her fabulous writing around the classroom.
Abby	Apples	For an amazing full week, joining in with all our learning and having a go at everything!

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<u>Colouring Competition</u> Winners !

Many congratulations to Harry S and Robin A who won our Pudsey Colouring competition. They both won a set of pens and a book. Well done!!

Aspirational Assemblies



Many thanks to Mrs Carrick who very kindly came and gave a presentation about working in International Marketing.

Elf Run - Friday 3rd December



Next Friday 3rd December we will be holding an Elf Run to raise money for St Peter and St James Hospice. The children are welcome to wear a Christmas Jumper with their uniform for a donation of £1. The children will be sent home an Elf Hat to wear on the day. JW Sounds has very kindly agreed to

provide music for the morning.

All sponsorship forms and money will need to be submitted to your child's class teacher by Friday 10th December.



Miss Charley Harris, an Atlantic Rower virtually visited Year 5 last week. The children were inspired and asked lots of good questions, one of which was what she would be doing for Christmas. The children were concerned that she would be at sea for Christmas and very kindly made a card for her to open on Christmas Day.

Year 6 Maths



Year 6 children had a very practical Math's lesson this week. Here are some of the children's comments:

"This practical lesson was fun because we had to use kitchen scales to weigh a selection of fruit. Before we read the scales, we needed to estimate the mass of each piece of fruit, record the answer and then convert it into another unit of measure (kg or mg)."

Dance Matz Club cancelled

Due to the increasing numbers of positive COVID cases, Dance Matz has been cancelled for the rest of the term. Nick and Caryn will contact parents directly regarding outstanding sessions.

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WSCC Children's Mental Health survey

West Sussex County Council is gathering views about how the pandemic has affected the mental health and emotional wellbeing of children and young people in West Sussex.

it takes just 5 minutes to fill in, please see the link below:

Survey: http://ow.ly/Vef550GRTZ1

We're asking:

How has the pandemic impacted the emotional health of the young people you know?

How much do you know about where to go for advice and support?

How confident are you talking to children and young people about their mental health

The <u>survey closes on Sunday 28 November</u> and your feedback will help shape our future messaging and work to raise awareness of the resources available locally and nationally

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Are you looking to lay your hands on this year's Black Friday deals on Amazon?

Would you like to help the London Meed Association raise money without any cost to yourself...? LMA are registered with Amazon Smile which donates 0.5% of every one of your eligible purchases to the LMA. All you have to do is follow these 4 instructions.

1....Go to www.smile.amazon.co.uk

2...Enter your Amazon account details

3....Search for London Meed Association and select us as your chosen charity

4....Next time you shop be sure to please do so through smile.amazon.co.uk or the Amazonsmile app rather than the amazon app to make sure we receive your donation. Thank you for your support!

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 <u>office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk</u> 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 <u>https://www.londonmeedprimary.co.uk/website/calend</u> ar/52708

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

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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
2022	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