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NEWSLETTER: Friday 13th September 2019

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Reading at Home



We aim to inspire in our children a love of reading, because we know that children who read widely are those who succeed academically. Don't worry too much if your child forgets to change their reading

book from time to time, because re-reading a known text fluently is a skill, equally important as decoding an unknown text. Even when your child is a fluent reader (this means reading unknown words without hesitation and with good attention to punctuation), it is still really helpful for them to see you reading for enjoyment — preferably something other than your phone — and hear you reading aloud, from Reception to Year Six. Children will read with their teacher at least once a week and will be awarded house-points for reading at least four times a week at home. Happy reading!

YouTube

We were made aware of a YouTube video, made in the summer holidays, which included a couple of our pupils. We made those parents aware of this. Once your child has a phone and some freedom to 'play out', make sure phones are not in bedrooms at night and do use a 'charge your device in a family room overnight' rule to check their online activity. We tell children they should not post anything they would not be happy for their grandparent, parent, carer or teacher to see. Our concerns about our pupils were in relation to their personal safety and protection of their identity because these pupils and our school were easily identifiable in the video.

The following link has lots of helpful advice for parents: https://www.net-aware.org.uk/

Census Day - 3rd October

School Census Theme Day is on Thursday 3rd October. It is vital for our budget that we have all children who are entitled to a Free School Meal (EYFS to KS1) take up that entitlement on this day. We ask for your support by **NOT** providing any packed lunches for children below year Three on this day. Even if your child is a very fussy eater, we will make sure they eat enough on that day. If you do choose to provide a packed lunch on this date, please write a short note to the school office explaining that you do not wish for your child to take up their free school meal entitlement for the foreseeable future – I am afraid this does include Christmas Lunch. There is another census day in February when you can change your mind, but we need to base school meal take up on actual numbers

on 3rd October and will alter numbers of lunches accordingly.

For details of future promotions and the menu for the 3rd October please visit

https://westsussex.mealselector.co.uk/Page/188/Promotions.html

Census Day Menu – 3rd October

Choose a main

- Beef Burger in a Bun & Chips
- Veggie Nuggets & Chips

on the side...

- Baked Beans
- or Salad

Tomato Ketchup

for dessert...

Chocolate Pastry Parcel

for a drink...

- Blackcurrant Squash,
- Milk or Water

Parents/Carers of KS2 children are reminded that they will need to order their meal online by Sunday 22nd September.

Do you have any questions, comments or suggestions for newsletter items or School Improvement? Pop your question into an envelope and mark it for Ms Reece's attention and I'll either be in touch or include your item in the next Friday newsletter. Thank you. Yours sincerely, Candida Reece, Head teacher

Other News

Can You Help?

You may have noticed our whole school 'India' theme. Year Two in particular, would welcome a visiting expert; this is someone happy to answer children's questions about food, clothing, climate and life in India. If you have any resources; such as clothing or currency thatwe could borrow, or if you could be part of a Q&A in the classroom (teachers will be present) – just leave your name and contact details in the office. Thank you very much.

Emergency Services employees needed!

Our Reception classes are looking for parents/carers who work for the Emergency Services to come and give a short talk to the children. Please let the school office know if you are able to help.

Many thanks. Miss Griffiths and Mrs Cobham

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Congratulations!

Congratulations go to Daisy and Dylan from Y4 who recently won the Great Gnome Hunt at South Downs Nurseries in Hassocks.



A message from the LMA

As we begin another year of fundraising, we would like to thank all the staff, parents and carers who helped us to raise an amazing profit of £11,158 last academic year. You may be aware that in July we said goodbye to a number

of the long standing

LMA members as their

children moved on to



secondary school. Therefore, in order to continue fundraising for our school and organising events that benefit our children we really need new members. We would love to hear from you if you would like to get involved and join the LMA - whether it be coming up with creative ideas, helping prepare & plan for events, or helping out at events. We need you, our school needs you and our children need you.....we look forward to seeing you at our AGM which will be on 7th November 2019 at school in the Owl room at 7pm. Please email Ima@londonmeedprimary.co.uk for more information.

LMA Afternoon tea



The LMA are hosting an Afternoon Tea for all new parents & carers of children in Reception. We look forward to seeing you in the Owl room between 2-3pm on 11th October 2019.

Dates for your Diary

Please visit our website and view key dates for the forthcoming academic year under the calendar tab at https://www.londonmeedprimary.co.uk/website/cal endar/52708

Please click on this link to see school events coming up. Ms K Brayne, Data & Communications Manager

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Term Dates 2019-2020

	First Day of				
	First Day	Half Term	Last Day of		
	of Term		Term		
	Mon 2nd	w/c 28th	Fri1 20th		
Autumn	Sept 2019	Oct 2019	Dec 2019		
Term	Inset Days: -				
2019	Mon 2nd September 2019 Fri 25 th October 2019				
Spring	Mon 6th	w/c 17th	Friday 3 rd		
Term	Jan 2020	Feb 2020	April 2020		
2020			'		
	Inset Day:- Friday 24th February 2020				
	Mon 20th	w/c 25 th	Mon 20th		
Summer	April 2020	May 2020	July 2020		
Term	Bank holiday: - Friday 8 th May				
2020	Inset Days: - Monday 1st June 2020				
	Monday 20 th July 2020				

