



London Meed Primary School Newsletter

13th January 2025

Bravery Curiosity Resilience Community Respect

What a week we had last week with all the snow and ice. We hope the children got to play in it before it all melted away. Thanks for your patience with this too, as we still have thick ice on the infant's playground and Holmesdale exit despite being constantly gritted!

We are so excited that our new nurture room is up and running. Mr Connor is now working there full-time. He runs his normal nurture groups in the afternoon, but in the mornings he runs a soft start for those children who need it and sessions throughout the morning as well as a calm lunchtime session. We have a variety of resources in there such as a trampette, punch bag, football game, construction equipment, sensory equipment such as theraputty and lots of lovely games. Mr Blake is busily trying to get the sensory room painted. Over half term, he put up black out blinds and covered the walls and pipes in soft stuff. We have ordered lots of exciting things to go in there such as a glow in the dark modular settee and fibre optic lights. Thank you so much to those parents who bought us some of the items off the wishlist. We have two amazing ceiling projectors that play music as well and a jellyfish lava lamp. We hope to have this room up and ready for use this week. We are going to run a competition to now name the new nurture room.



This week our clubs are being advertised and you can sign your child up to them from tomorrow (Tuesday) evening. Please remember they are only allowed to book onto two internal run clubs (by school staff) except for Pop Choir. We have many amazing clubs that your child can choose to do either at lunchtime or after school. Internal clubs begin next Monday 20th January.



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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>
Amelie T.	6B	For sharing her sensible and mature ideas in our English lessons, when making inferences about characters' thoughts and feelings. What an amazing start to 2025, Amelie, keep it up!
Amelia	6H	For an amazing start at London Meed. Amelia has settled into 6H extremely well and has demonstrated all of our school values this week. Amelia has an excellent attitude to learning and has confidently contributed to class discussions. Well done Amelia!
Anya K	5D	For showing curiosity and resilience when improving her reading both at home and in school. Well done, Anya, for showing what a resourceful and independent learner you are!
Diana	5A	For always being kind, helpful and a really positive member of our class community.
Emily S	4S	For creating beautiful artwork to show the layers of the rainforest and showing resilience when including detailed notes on each layer. Keep up the good work, Emily!
Amber	4N	For being a wonderful addition to the London Meed family! Amber has worked hard this week and is beginning to form new friendships. She is always smiling and she has been growing in confidence every day! Well done, Amber!
Ridley	3M	For showing resilience when multiplying and dividing by 3, 4 and 8. Your independence and confidence is growing day by day which is having a positive impact on your learning. Well done, Ridley!
Ivy	3T	Showing curiosity and respect when learning about pollution and the ways in which we can help or harm our planet. Perhaps you will invent something that saves us all!
Izzy	2O	For an excellent start to the term. You have demonstrated fantastic listening skills and determination to do your best, showing resilience and curiosity. Well done Izzy.
Ruben	2S	For working really hard to become more independent in class. Well done Ruben!



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Aidan	1C	For showing curiosity and resilience when writing number sentences, which have included tens and ones. Aidan is a fantastic role model for the whole class. Very well done, Aidan!
Jahaire	1M	For showing resilience and determination with his question writing in English. Well done Jahaire!
Maxen	Apples	For his excellent effort in phonics lessons, and his brilliant writing as a result of this!
Krish	Cherries	For showing amazing resilience while learning to write his name and being brave to write words on his own in phonics.

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:

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 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.**

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



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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



The following children from London Meed performed in Mrs Duddings Winter Concert on Sunday the 12th January at the Adastral Hall in Hassocks; Milo 4N, Isobel 4N, Aoife 6H, Luke 4N, Abigail 4S, Olivia 4S, Paige 5D, Oscar 6B, Grace 6B, Isla P 6B, Eva 6B, Clara 5A, Freya 5A, Elliot 5A, Hugh 6H. All children gave amazing performances and we are very proud of them all – well done!

Amazon Wish Lists - Thank you so much for your overwhelming support with this.

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/i9G1rIm>

Year 1 <https://amzn.eu/9mK2jpx>

Year 2 <https://amzn.eu/2kD7gYv>

Year 3 <https://amzn.eu/iGSxtVp>

Year 4 <https://amzn.eu/84lbWMy>

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>



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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/>

E Safety Seminar: The local police are running an E-Safety webinar, for parents and carers. To join the webinar please visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/online-safety-for-parents-3386699>

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:

- Continance 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
Wednesday 15th January	Biscuit and Banter with Miss Dowley
Thursday 16th January	Census Day - orders had to be placed by the 2nd January for the special menu.
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.



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Term Dates 2024-2025

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 BOYS' BRIGADE
 > the adventure begins here

3rd Burgess Hill

Open to New Members
 Reception to School Year 6 meets
 Wednesdays 6.15 - 7.30pm
 School Years 7 - 13 meets
 Fridays 7.30 - 9.30pm

For more info check out our website by using the website below or scanning the QR code
3rdburgesshill.boys-brigade.org.uk

NEW YEAR NEW YOU!

Health and Exercise Taster Event

Saturday 25 January 2025
 Triangle Leisure Centre
 12:30pm - 3:30pm

- Blood pressure, glucose and cholesterol checks
- Wellbeing consultations
- Menopause talks and physio discussions
- Exercise taster classes and more!

Tickets must be booked in advance, from January 6th - scan the QR code, visit ticketsource.co.uk/burgesshilltowncouncil or call 01444 247726

West Sussex Partnership
Working together for a better future

Burgess Hill
Town Council

HOLIDAY HQ GAME ZONE

17th - 21st February 2025
 ...plus much more!

West Sussex Holiday Camps

Scan to secure your spot or book online at www.pioneerchildcare.co.uk

RETRO REVIVAL
BATTLE OF THE BRAINS
STEM TASTIC

'LITTLE STARTERS' IS IN BURGESS HILL

A HOME-START GROUP

Home-Start CHAMS are excited to announce their brand new group for parent carers with babies aged 10-30 months in Burgess Hill and the surrounding area! The group will offer fun free play, rhyme time and a chance for parent carers to connect with others in their community. Our lovely Home-Start team are on hand to offer support and advice.

Little Starters takes place **every Tuesday morning, during term time** at Kings Church, 33-35 Victoria Road, Burgess Hill RH15 9LR.

Free entry - but £1 donation welcome.

Spaces are limited, to register your interest or book a session please call 01293 416327 or email info@homestartchams.org.uk

**** We aim to respond within 3 working days during term time ****

WWW.HOMESTARTCHAMS.ORG.UK

Home-Start is a registered charity in England and Wales. No. 1090404. Registered office: 109, St. James Street, London, E1 1AA. Charity No. 1090404. Charity No. 1090404.

HOME START
Crawley, Horsham & Mid-Sussex



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SEN SPORTS LAUNCHING

Location: The Mill Primary Academy, Crawley, RH11 0EL

Start Date: 11th January 2025

Timings: 10-11am or 11-12noon



REGISTER NOW!

[CLICK HERE](#)

FUNCTIONAL INVOLVEMENT

Our activities are designed to engage children in fun, functional tasks that promote physical development. Parents can feel confident knowing their children are participating in activities that support their growth and overall well-being.

SOCIAL INTERACTIONS

SEN-SPORTS aims to provide a safe, welcoming environment where children can connect with peers, make new friends, and build communication and social skills.

FOLLOWING GROUP INSTRUCTIONS

A key goal is to help children improve their ability to follow group instructions, preparing them for more structured environments.

MAINSTREAM INTEGRATION

A long-term goal of SEN-SPORTS is to prepare children for integration into mainstream sports clubs, helping them build the skills and confidence to succeed in wider settings.

LOW CHILD-TO-ADULT RATIO

LED BY EXPERIENCED COACHES



YOUR CHILD MATTERS

Passionate about making a lasting impact in the community, SEN-SPORTS is embarking on a mission to create inclusive opportunities for young children with unique needs to grow, connect, and thrive with others.



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SCHOOL HALF TERM

Kids Fun Classes **February 2025** (9am-12pm)



Fresh Air and Fun this Coming Half Term Holiday!

Led by our PGA Professional Golf Instructors... 9am - 12pm.

All ages & abilities! **Fun Golf Games with Prizes** -

Driving Range - ***Putting*** - ***Chipping Greens*** -

Play the Golf Course Why not come along with a friend?

Best suited for ages 5 - 14

SESSION PRICES (PER CLASS)

ONE CHILD = £30

2 SIBLINGS = £50 (€25.00 ea)

3 SIBLINGS = £67.50 (€22.50 ea)

ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED

**PLEASE BRING A
LIGHT LUNCH & DRINK**



CLASSES EACH WEEK DAY WITH OUR
PGA PROFESSIONALS

9AM - 12PM

SEE OVER FOR SPECIFIC
DATES & TIMES

CONTACT US TO BOOK!..

TELEPHONE 01444 258585

EMAIL ENQUIRIES@BURGESSHILLGOLFCENTRE.CO.UK

VISIT US - BURGESS HILL GOLF CENTRE, CUCKFIELD ROAD

RH15 8RE.. OR BOOK ONLINE ON JUNIOR GOLF SECTION

OF OUR WEBSITE



CLASSES LIMITED TO 12 CHILDREN - PLEASE BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!



PLAY GOLF!



LOTS OF GAMES!



DRIVING RANGE