



London Meed Primary School Newsletter

22nd Sept 2025

Bravery Curiosity Resilience Community Respect

We really hope this dry weather is here to stay this week as it makes school such a nicer place when the sun is shining and the children can get outside to play. Last week, our new Reception children started school full time. They are having such a lovely time in school and it is just wonderful to see them playing in their classrooms and outside space. Year 5 had an exciting Viking Day as part of their stunning start to their topic. They enjoyed dressing up and exploring different artefacts



Thank you to everyone who attended last week's 'Meet the Teacher' sessions. This week we have Year 2 today and Year 6 tomorrow, both at 2.45pm. Please enter the school via the playground gates.

This week, Year 5 are swimming on Tuesday. Year 2 are off to Arundel Castle as part of their stunning start to their topic. Fingers crossed the weather is good. On Friday at 3.20pm, Mr Terrill is meeting with current Year 5 parents about their residential trip at the beginning of Year 6. This will be in the Large Hall. If you cannot attend, Mr Terrill will be sending the slides home. This week, one of our parents is donating 10 tractor tyres for the children to use. We are really excited about this.

The Colour Run that should have been taking place on Thursday after school but this has been cancelled.



Cash and Card accepted



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On Friday 10th October we are supporting Hello Yellow. Children can come to school wearing one yellow item with a £1 donation



A huge well done to Rishita in 6D and Thomogna in 2O who received their orange and yellow belts along with some fantastic medals for their hardwork and dedication towards the learning for Martial Arts. Fantastic!

We are very excited to confirm our open days for children starting school in September 2026. If you have siblings due to start or know of any friends and families, we would love to welcome them.

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.

LONDON MEED OPEN DAYS

We would like to welcome you and your child to our school to come and experience one of our open days ready for starting school in September 2026. Meet our dedicated team and explore our Orchard, getting a glimpse into the exciting curriculum we offer. Please book one of the mornings below.

Dates

- [Wednesday 8th Oct](#)
- [Wednesday 5th Nov](#)
- [Wednesday 19th Nov](#)
- [Wednesday 26th Nov](#)
- [Wednesday 3rd Dec](#)
- [Wednesday 7th Jan](#)

Time : at 9AM - 10.15AM

Location

: Chanctonury Road, Burgess Hill
RH15 9YQ

To sign up to one of our sessions, please visit our website www.londonmeedprimary.co.uk or contact our office:

office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk
01444 232336



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Reminders

Pupil Premium Funding	You and your family could be entitled to financial support for the FSM grant. This support pays towards hot school lunches and food vouchers, school trips and uniform and can make a huge difference to those families with financial difficulties. The funding also helps support the school in providing an enriching learning environment to all children. If you think you may be eligible, please visit: https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/ If your application is successful, please let the school office know.
Earrings	If your child has had their ears pierced, please ensure for PE and/or sporting clubs these are removed for safety reasons. If your child is unable to take them out, please bring surgical tape in with them to use and apply.
Coats	The weather is totally unpredictable at the moment, sun one minute and torrential rain the next. Please can we ask that you send your child in with a waterproof coat each day so they can still play outside.
Parking	We had a neighbour contact us to say a parent had parked on their drive and refused to move. We are also seeing some parents and carers trying to park outside the school in front of the staff cars and the disabled bays. Again, this space is not for parking and you will be asked to move. Please can we remind you to be respectful to our residents and the school when parking.

London Meed Hero Awards

Class	Name	Award
1M	Molly	For showing respect and being safe. Molly is always doing the right thing and showing she is ready to learn. I have watched her grow in confidence even in just a few weeks! Well done Molly :)
1C	Chorley	For writing a fantastic description about Little Red Riding Hood. You are using your phonics knowledge really well. What a fantastic start to Year 1.
2O	Thomogna	For always challenging himself in his learning and for being ready and respectful at all times. You have made a fabulous start to Year 2. Well done.
2S	Harry E	For settling into Year 2 brilliantly and making new friends. Well done Harry, keep up the great work.
3T	Elsie	Always showing that you are ready to learn, and being respectful to adults and children all around the school. You are a role model for the whole class!
3N	Poppy	What a wonderful week you have had, Poppy! Poppy has demonstrated great resilience when writing her own set of instructions. She worked hard to ensure her work was completely finished and she also included elements from her success criteria! Well done, Poppy!



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4SB	Akshaj	For ALWAYS being ready and doing his best in every single lesson! Akshaj always shares his brilliant ideas and works with determination and pride to succeed whatever we are doing. Thank you Akshaj, you are a hero!
4A	Sam	For super choices of vocabulary and phrases to create his volcano poem.
5B	Lua	For always demonstrating an exemplary attitude to learning and for completing all the tasks to the best of her ability. What a role model you are, Lua! Keep it up.
5M	Emily	For quickly mastering relative clauses after just one lesson, Emily, you should be very proud. Your resilience and positive attitude during the first few weeks of Year 5 have been excellent, and it's wonderful to see you embracing every challenge with confidence. Keep up the great work!
6H	Noah	For demonstrating curiosity when describing the characters, setting and atmosphere of the book, 'Goodnight Mister Tom'. Noah shared very insightful and thoughtful ideas. Well done, Noah!
6D	Finn	For showing curiosity when learning about evacuation by asking really good questions. He later showed enthusiasm when researching and writing notes about what life was like as an evacuee by listening to the story, 'Goodnight Mr Tom'. Well done, Finn!

Forthcoming diary dates

Date	Event
22nd September	'Meet the Teacher' meeting for Year 2 Parents and Carers from 2.45pm
23rd September	'Meet the Teacher' meeting for Year 6 Parents and Carers from 2.45pm
25th September	Year 2 - Arundel Castle trip
25th September	CANCELLED - LMA Colour Run
26th September	Hot Chocolate Friday with Miss Dowley at 2.45pm
26th September	Year 5 parents talk about Year 6 residential at 3.20 in large hall
29th September	Schools photos - Individual
1st-3rd October	Year 6 - Residential Stay
8th October	Open morning for new Reception starters September 2026
10th October	Year 1 - Wakehurst trip
10th October	Wear Yellow for £1
10th October	Science afternoon at Burgess Hill Girls School - Year 5 girls



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17th October	Year 4 - London Trip
22nd October	6 Weeks in meeting for current Reception Parents and Carers
22nd October	Harvest festival - donation for harvest in today please
23rd October	6 Weeks in meeting for current Reception Parents and Carers
23rd October	LMA - Discos (Year 1 - 6)
24th October	Reading Raffle and extra play time for House Point winners
24th October	LMA - 'Tiger Who Came To Tea' Tea Party (EYFS)
27th October - 3rd November	Half Term
3rd November	INSET Day - School Closed
5th November	Open morning for new Reception starters September 2026
11th November	Parent's Evening
12th November - change of date	Parent's Evening
14th November	Children in Need
19th November	Open morning for new Reception starters September 2026
21st November	LMA - Movie Night
26th November	LMA - Wreath Making
26th November	Open morning for new Reception starters September 2026
3rd December	Open morning for new Reception starters September 2026
3rd December	Elf Run
5th December	Christmas Fayre
12th December	Christmas Jumper Day
12th December	Junior Governors trip to London
16th December	Carol concert rehearsal KS2
17th December	Children's Christmas Party Day including Christmas lunch
18th December	Carol Concert KS2
19th December	School finishes at 1.30pm for the Christmas holidays
22nd December - 5th January	Christmas Holidays
6th January	INSET Day - School Closed



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London Meed are proud to support The Pantry again this year by collecting much needed donations for members of our local community. They are looking for:

Small boxes of tea (normal, herbal or decaf), Coffee (normal or decaf), Ketchup / Mayonnaise / Salad Cream
Cereal, Washing up liquid, Biscuits, Laundry detergent, Shower gel, Shampoo & Conditioner
Feminine hygiene products, Fruit juice (UHT), Milk (UHT), Sugar, Hot chocolate, Pasta sauces

Please bring any donations to the office.


Thank you!

More Experts by Experience sessions available from West Sussex Mind

West Sussex Mind Parenting Service have more free Experts by Experience sessions planned over the coming months aimed at parents and carers:

- Wed 1 Oct: Emotional & self regulation skills in children & young people, 7.30pm - 9.30pm
- Wed 29 Oct: Supporting children and young people with identity development, 7.30pm - 9.30pm
- Wed 12 Nov: Supporting masking behaviours in neurodivergent children and young people, 7.30pm - 9.30pm
- Wed 10 Dec: Supporting children and young people who self harm, 7.30pm - 9.30pm
- Wed 21 Jan: Supporting self-esteem in children and young people, 7.30pm - 9.30pm.

You can book your ticket and find all the other upcoming training courses and events run by West Sussex Mind on their Eventbrite page: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/west-sussex-mind-8288439768>

**25/26 | Term Dates**

AUTUMN Wed 3rd Sept
Fri 19th Dec
Half Term 27th Oct – 31st Oct
INSET DAYS: 3rd Sept & 3rd Nov


SPRING Mon 5th Jan
Fri 27th Mar
Half Term 16th Feb – 20th Feb
INSET DAYS: 5th Jan & 23rd Feb

SUMMER Mon 13th Apr
Wed 22 July
Half Term 25th May – 29th May
INSET DAYS: 1st June

PE Days

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

Apples	- Monday and Friday
Cherries	- Monday and Friday
Yr1	- Tuesday and Thursday
Yr2	- Monday and Wednesday
Yr3	- Tuesday and Thursday
Yr4	- Thursday and Tuesday
Yr5	- Tuesday and Thursday
Yr6	- Wednesday and Friday





Welcome To LMA Corner

22/09/25



News

Our committee recently met to plan the year ahead, and we're really excited about what's coming up! This year, we're breaking things down into smaller teams so that everyone can get involved in a way that works for them. No pressure to do everything - just pick and choose what fits your interests and availability. 🌟 Love Christmas? Join the Christmas team! 🕺 Big on dancing? The Disco team is for you! 🎃 Halloween, 🎬 Movie Nights, 🐣 Easter and more! If you'd like to get involved, just send us an email or DM us on Instagram to be added to the particular group.

Supporting our school with outdoor play

We also had our first meeting of the year with the school, and we're excited to share that our fundraising focus will continue to be on improving outdoor play equipment for the children. Every event and every donation will go towards this goal - we can't wait to see the difference it will make.

Events Update

tickets @ pta-events.co.uk/london-meed

🌈 Colour Run Update 🌈

Sadly, we've had to cancel the Colour Run. Ticket sales were very low, and with the weather being so unpredictable, it just isn't the right time to run it. Refunds have all been processed now. BUT... we've got plenty of paint ready to throw 🌈 so we'll try again in Summer.

🐯 The Tiger Who Came To Tea Party 🐯 Friday 24th October

Reception families, join us for our Tiger Who Came to Tea Party! 🎉 There'll be biscuit decorating, mask making, music, and games - the perfect chance for children (and their parents/carers!) to have some fun together and meet other families. 🐾

💎 Tickets are just £3.50 per child and available now via PTA Events

👤 Please note: parents/carers must attend and join in the fun!



🎃 Halloween Disco 🎃

Get your costumes ready for some spooky fun on Thursday 23rd October. 🕒

🌟 Years 1 & 2 → 3:15-4:00pm (squash + biscuits included)

🌟 Years 3 & 4 → 4:15-5:00pm (tuck shop available - bring some pocket money!)

🌟 Years 5 & 6 → 5:15-6:00pm (tuck shop available - bring some pocket money!)

👗 Fancy Dress Competition for KS2 discos - prizes for the best costumes!

🧘 Zen Den with a spooky twist - a calm space to take a break if needed.

Don't worry, nothing will be too scary - just a little spooky 🦋 If your child would benefit from a heads up about what's inside, drop us a message and we'll be happy to help.

💎 Tickets £3.50 each - grab yours now before they disappear into the night!





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Football Kit Collection

We're proud to support Burgess Hill Town Juniors FC in their project to collect football kits for children in Zambia. The LMA will be organising a collection at school to help with this effort.

We're accepting: football kits, training kits, shin pads, football boots, and socks - all in good condition (please only donate items you'd be happy to wear yourself). Donations can be left in the box by the school office.

Please donate by the 10th October.



YOUR
SCHOOL
LOTTERY

Play The School Lottery
for your chance to win -
every ticket helps
support the LMA!

Contact us for the link or check our Instagram

Contact Info

✉ LMA@londonmeedprimary.co.uk

📷 @londonmeedassociation

KINDNESS CUP



Confidential and discreet help
towards LMA events costs

Speak to a member of the School Leadership Team

Donated from our community, supported by LMA



LONDON MEED ASSOCIATION Events Schedule 2025/26

Halloween Disco	Thursday 23rd October (Y1-Y6 only)
Tiger Who Came to Tea Party	Friday 24th October (Reception only)
Movie Night	Friday 21st November
Christmas Wreath Workshop	Wednesday 26th November
Christmas Fair	Friday 5th December
Valentines Disco	Thursday 12th February
Easter Disco	Thursday 26th March
Summer Fair	Friday 3rd July
Summer Disco	Monday 20th July
Year 6 Leavers Disco	Tuesday 21st July

Plus more to come!





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www.yourspacetherapies.org

October Half Term Mindfulness Pony Day for Kids!

Date: Wednesday 29th October 2025

Time: 9am- 2pm

Location: Ponies 'n' Kids, Eaton Thorne Stables, Woodmancote, Nr Henfield, W.Sussex, BN5 9AG

Join us for a magical day designed especially for children ages 5-11! Dive into a world of peace, friendship, and mindfulness, all while experiencing the calming presence of our adorable ponies.

What to Expect:

♥ **Mindfulness Time with Ponies:** Learn calming techniques and emotional regulation skills while spending quality time with our gentle ponies.

🐾 **Pony Care:** Discover the joys of caring for ponies through grooming, feeding, and building a bond.

🐾 **Riding and Mounted Games:** Experience the joy of pony rides and engage in fun, team-based games that promote confidence and cooperation.

🌿 **Connect with Nature:** Immerse yourself in the tranquillity of our beautiful, quiet stables and serene surroundings.

👤 **Make New Friends:** Build connections and friendships with other children in a supportive, nurturing environment.

Scan the QR code or click this link to book: [Mindfulness Pony Day 29th October 2025](#)



Cost: £140 per child

Spaces limited to 15 children

We are an inclusive team and warmly welcome children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). We celebrate diversity and are committed to providing a supportive environment where every child can thrive.

LITTLE STARTERS GROUP BURGESS HILL

PARENT CARERS AND CHILDREN 0 – 3 YEARS



Do you have a child or children under 3 years? Would you like to meet other parents in a small, friendly and nurturing environment? Then bring your baby and/or toddler(s) along to our Little Starters group where you can play together, make friends and find parenting advice and support.

When: Tuesday 10:00 – 11:30 – term time only

Where: Kings Church, 33-35 Victoria Road, Burgess Hill RH15 9LR.

Free entry – but £1 donation welcome. Light snack and drink provided for the children.

If you're thinking of coming along, or want to find out more, please call/message Emma on 07851 107005 or email EmmaS@homestartchams.org.uk

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

WWW.HOMESTARTCHAMS.ORG.UK



HOMESTART CRAWLEY, HORSHAM AND MID-SUSSEX IS A REGISTERED CHARITY IN ENGLAND (1132504)
THE ORCHARD, 1-2 BLENDALES COURT, BRIGHTON ROAD, CRAWLEY, WEST SUSSEX, BN11 4AD

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& Mid-Sussex

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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



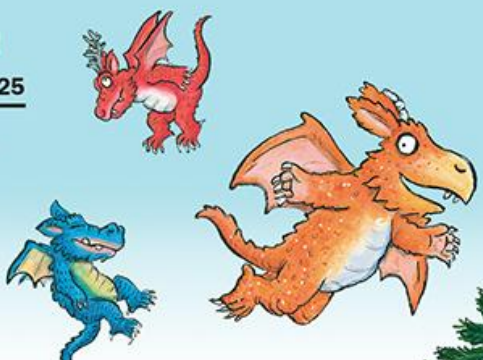
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A roarsome outdoor adventure this autumn!
18 October – 2 November 2025

ZOG™



Wakehurst

Book now at kew.org/wakehurst

 Royal Botanic Gardens Kew

Who's in Charge?

Who's in Charge? is a 9 week child to parent violence (CPV) programme aimed at parents whose children (age 8-18) are being abusive or violent toward them or who appear out of parental control. The structure of the programme consists of eight sessions with a two-month follow up. The programme is both educational and therapeutic, we will discuss the causes of CPV, give strategies to help you gain back control and support you throughout the process of change.

We are currently gauging interest and are planning to run this course commencing in October. Days and times to be confirmed dependent on interest.



Please email eharvey@woodlandsmeed.co.uk to express interest or find out more

Her Move LIVE!

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 EAST GRINSTEAD SPORTS CLUB

Try it. Move it. Love it! A day of FREE Sport & community fun for women and girls to get active.

At: East Grinstead Sports Club
Date: Saturday 27th September from 11.00 – 15.00

Come along and try out a wide range of sports and activities for ALL ages – from padel and pickleball to street dance, tennis, football and much more.

We're celebrating girls and women in sport, and offering opportunities for all females to get active. Bring along your friends and family for a fun day out!

[CLICK HERE](http://www.hermove.uk) to book FREE tickets or visit www.hermove.uk

*Limited numbers available on a first come, first served basis. Book early to avoid disappointment.

BOOK YOUR PLACE ONLINE*



Looking for help?

Come along for a cuppa, cake & a warm welcome at

Burgess Hill One Stop Support Shop

Held on the third Thursday each month
11am-1pm at The Salvation Army

There will be a wide range of services to offer residents free, face-to-face support and practical advice – all under one roof.

If you have any questions please call Burgess Hill Town Council on 01444 247726

Upcoming dates

2025:

18 September
16 October
20 November
18 December

2026:

15 January
19 February
19 March
16 April
21 May
18 June
16 July

Full address: 34 Cyprus Rd, RH15 8DX
Nearest parking: Cyprus Road Car park, Crescent Way

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