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Dear Parents/	'Carers,
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Another busy week in school. We were so pleased to see Year 3 back on Monday. With true London Meed resilience, they have attacked the week with vigour and thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Sheffield Park.

Staff who have accompanied children on trips this term have noticed how curious and questioning the children are becoming. Their confidence to ask and respond to questions is evident and they are a delight to take out.

You will be aware that Year 5 are required to isolate due to a positive staff COVID result. Thank you so much to parents and carers who were able to rearrange their plans so they could pick their children up on Wednesday morning. We will ensure that an alternative arrangement is made for their transition to Year 6 and will inform parents early next week.

Do look at the Mid Sussex Times online today https://www.midsussextimes.co.uk/education/this-burgess-hill-school-is-on-track-to-get-a-good-ofsted-rating-3310487 and paper copies next Thursday as our school is featured following our successful interim Ofsted inspection.

Staff have been extremely busy this week receiving training on our new Phonics programme which will be implemented from September. Thank you to Miss Oliver and Mrs Maddock for arranging this.

The children have really enjoyed their Sports Days this week and the ice lollies that followed! Do look on Google classroom for pictures from the events.

Next Wednesday is our Transition morning and we know staff are very excited to meet with their new classes. Mr Alfonso will be back in school on Friday and 3 Zephaniah will have the opportunity to spend some time with him.

Existing Google classrooms will be renamed next Wednesday to reflect the new class name. There will be a welcome video from the new class teacher. Please continue to log in as usual.

Enjoy the sunshine and have a lovely weekend.

Natalie Langtree, Head teacher

Our Yellow Certificate winners this week - congratulations!		
All of Cherry Class	Cherries	For an outstanding effort on their very first sports day! Well done everybody!

All of Apple Class	Apples	For an outstanding effort on their very first sports day! Well done everybody!
Chloe B	1H	For always showing kindness and respect to others and ensuring others are being treated fairly.
Isla	1H	For showing resilience to always do her best in everything she does.
Holly	1H	For showing bravery when unsure to ask others for help.
Riley	1D	For demonstrating the school values of curiosity and resilience throughout Year 1.
Maia	1D	For always being respectful and for showing bravery and determination when finding things tricky.
Fred	2R	For challenging himself to make positive behaviour choices.
Finley	2R	For working hard to improve his writing.
Thomas	2B	For always showing curiosity in his learning.
Ben	2B	For always being kind to everyone in his community.
Harry M	3Z	For displaying excellent behaviour and curiosity during our Ancient Egypt activity day.
Cian	3R	For showing great bravery on a school trip
Roo	3R	For showing resilience in activities on a school trip
Jack B	4H	For showing great enthusiasm and curiosity on our trip to the British Wildlife Centre, providing good answers to questions.
Sophie	4T	For showing curiosity on our trip to the British Wildlife Centre and becoming inspired to create her own wildlife centre, which she wrote an excellent persuasive leaflet for in her own time.
Sofia	5K	For challenging herself in Maths this week and for always demonstrating resilience.
Rebecca	5L	For her dedication to Remote Learning and for her increased participation in lessons.
Eva	6R	For her improved confidence in Maths and ambition to complete challenging tasks. Keep it up, Eva!
Amy	6D	For showing resilience and community spirit during Sports Day and for her incredibly fast running. Well done!

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Can you help?

Are you planning on having a clear out over the summer holidays?

The Orchard reception classes are looking for a few items to enhance their learning environment. If you think you can help us out with any of these items we would be extremely grateful.



Wooden cable reels large and small

- Old car tyres





- wooden crates

- Large log

- Planks of wood suitable to go outside
- Simple wooden / plastic frame mirrors, all shapes and sizes, including full length
- Plant pots all shapes and sizes

Thank you so much for your help. Miss Griffiths

Year 4 trip to the British Wildlife Centre



On Monday, Year 4 visited the British Wildlife Centre in Lingfield. The children saw a wide range of wildlife including; deer, polecat, red squirrels, owl, otters and hedgehogs.



They showed real curiosity and excellent questioning skills about the animals and the habitats they live in.





Year 3 trip to the Really Wild Bushcraft

Year 3 had a fantastic day out on Wednesday 14th July. The children enjoyed foraging for food, making shelters and hunting with ancient weapons.

Year 6 Circus Day



The children had a

fabulous time. They showed real curiosity and perseverance in learning and acquiring new skills. We were very impressed at their ability to juggle with scarves, balance feathers and keep plates spinning. Please find below some of the children's comments.

I enjoyed plate spinning and practising all the activities I haven't done before.

It was fun as it was an enjoyable experience.

I enjoyed the tight rope as I had to use my balancing skills.

I liked watching the instructor doing all the tricks as it showed how all the effort pays off.

I enjoyed the ribbon activity as I could make little patterns in the air with them.

Having the freedom to do all the activities.

I enjoyed learning new skills: balancing, being patient and team work.

I liked how we could play with sour friends whilst having fun.

I liked that the instructor showed us all the activities before we did them.

I liked the plate spinning as I could be creative - work with a partner and throw the plates at each other while catching them with the pointy stick.

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Year 6 Trip to Tea Thyme

Year 6 children walked to Tea Thyme in Hassocks and enjoyed authentic Italian Pizza. Thank you to https://www.teathyme.co.uk/





On Saturday 10th July me and my brother completed an inflatable 5km obstacle run and raised £208 for two charities - The Guide Dogs and Metabolic UK. We had lots of fun on

the inflatables. I would love to do it again. We completed 28 inflatable obstacles over the 5km and our favourite one had a rope swing. We had to jump and grab and swing from one side to the other. My favourite part was that we raised money for charity and got a nice medal at the end.THANK YOU IF YOU SPONSORED US! We really appreciated it. **Poppy 5 Kipling**

Well done Poppy and Riley for demonstrating a number of our school values including; Bravery, Resilience and Community



Hurstpierpoint Gymnastics Competition

Hurstpierpoint Gymnastics club held their Annual Championships recently, involving over 80 gymnasts. One of our pupils, Leanna-Rose B from Year 5, entered both the Floor and Vault competitions. She composed her own Floor routine, including ten

moves to a tune of her own choice. Her handspring vault showed skill and bravery and was awarded the Gold trophy as the best of Year 5 & 6. She composed her own Floor routine, including ten moves to a tune of her own choice. Her combined scores for both competitions, gave her the title of Overall Junior Champion. Well done Leanna -Rose!!!

More information about the Club can be found on our website www.hurstpierpointgym.co.uk

LMA Sunflower Growing competition.



The LMA Sunflower Growing competition ends on Sunday so please ensure your entries are either posted to the LMA Facebook page or emailed to

Ima@londonmeedprimary.co.uk by the end of Saturday 17th July.

Reporting Absence

Please remember to report your child's absence by 9.20am **every day** via Studybugs

https://studybugs.com/signin or via our absence voicemail on 01444 232336. Should your child develop COVID symptoms and receive a positive test result over a weekend, please continue to email office@londonmeedprimary.co.uk as we will need to take immediate action.

NHS COVID-19 GUIDANCE

This is just a quick reminder that if anyone in your household has any of the COVID symptoms then they must take a PCR test **even** if they have taken a lateral flow test (these tests are for asymptomatics). The whole household will need to self-isolate until a negative result has been received or for the full 10 days. For more information please go to

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/gettested-for-coronavirus/

National Grid's Competition - Voices for a Green Future

The National Grid competition launched on Monday 21st June. Pupils aged 7-15 in school years 3-10 can enter the competition. The National Grid website provides further details about the entry requirements as well as tips, inspiration and resources to help encourage entries as well as educational assets as a source of inspiration. The National Grid are encouraging pupils to submit no more than 200 words, via their website, detailing their green vision for the planet. The submission will be the basis for their final speech delivered digitally at COP26 if successful.

Once the competition has closed on Tuesday 17th August, the submissions will be judged, and ten entrants will be shortlisted from 1st September.

These ten entrants will then be filmed presenting their 200-word submission and the videos will be shared with

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an esteemed judging panel, including TV presenter Helen Skelton, who will then decide the final four winners. The finalists will be scored against criteria including originality of ideas, creativity and passion, and inspirational power.

The four winning pupils will be announced to the public on 20th October, with the opportunity to have their winning speech broadcast digitally at COP26.

In the meantime, should you wish to find out more about the competition, please visit:

www.nationalgrid.com/voicesforagreenfuture

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

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Term Dates 2020-2021 and 2021-2022

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

	First Day of Term	Half Term	Last Day of Term
Company Towns	Monday 19 th April	w/c 31 st May	Friday 23 rd July
Summer Term 2021	Bank holiday: - Monday 3 rd May Inset Days: - Friday 28 th May Monday 7 th June		

Inset days 2021-2022

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Autumn Term	Thursday 2nd September 2021, Friday 22nd October 2021	
Spring Term	Friday 18th February 2022	
Summer Term	Friday 27th May 2022 Monday 6th June 2022	