NEWSLETTER: **11th March 2022**



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We began our very busy week with a visit from our Local Authority advisor and Tricia Eastley, our Chair of Governors. The focus of the visit was reading and they listened to children from EYFS, Years 1, 2 and 3 read their Phonics Bug books and talked to a group of children from Year 6 about the impact of their reading on their writing. The outcome of the meeting was positive and we are making good progress towards our Ofsted priorities. As always, I was so proud of the way our children engaged with our visitors.

I have been very impressed this week with the behaviour of our children as they move around the school. They are consistently polite and friendly, hold doors open for adults and other children and pick up items of lost property. They really are a delight to be with.

We are so looking forward to seeing parents and carers at the face- to- face Parent Consultations that are taking place next week. Parents should enter via the main entrance door by the school office. There will be members of the Senior Leadership Team available to direct you to the right place. Outside each classroom, you will find your child's exercise books for this year. Please allow enough time before your appointment to enjoy celebrating all the lovely work that has been done since September.

There will be no internal clubs next week but the external led clubs (RMA football, Dance Mats and Music clubs) will proceed as normal.

Have a super weekend. Natalie Langtree Head teacher

Considerate Parking

Please can we remind parents to not park in front of the staff car park bays at drop off and pick up times. We have had a number of staff who have been late for appointments as they have been blocked in.

London Meed Hero Award

Many congratulations to this week's London Meed Heroes.

Name	Class	Reason
Isla	Apples	For always trying her best in everything she does and for being a kind and caring friend.
Amelia	Cherries	For working really hard in her writing and using her phonics to write about people that help us.
Miles	15	For always trying his best and being a fantastic student.
Milo	1DH	For being a fantastic member of our school community and a great friend.
Jenika	2M	For being a fantastic member of our class community and always showing curiosity in every lesson.
Evie R	2DJ	For a great attitude towards her learning and responding well to feedback.
Janve	3W	Consistently high standards in home learning tasks.
Jake	3C	For a clear and informative story map.
Chloe	40	For improvement in presentation and handwriting and for always being organised and ready to learn.
Dimitri	4A	For a hugely positive attitude to all your work over the last few weeks!
Harvey D	5P	For showing enthusiasm and bravery during the Book Battles and for inspiring others with his passion for reading.
Vikhyat	55	For using his time in the Library effectively and inspiring others with his love of reading.
Rebecca B	6B	For calculating the area of triangles and parallelograms accurately and for completing a rigorous book review as part of our Book Battle. Well done, Rebecca!
Jenia A	6D	For displaying bravery and respect when conducting book review battles both in class and as part of KS2 assembly. She was an asset to herself and the rest of her class. Keep up all your hard work, Jenia.

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Book Battle

For the Book Battle, children chose a book and wrote a review, to encourage children to read it. Each class held heats, and chose a class champion. Each class champion then went on to represent their

class in a Junior assembly, speaking in front of all the children.

Jenia, 6D, chose a graphic novel, Demon Slayers by Hajime Kanzaka and Shoko Yoshinaka.

She explained it was a Manga book and that it was read from the back to the front. She named the book and author and spoke about the plot twists, telling us some of what happened in the story. She won the Years 5 and 6 preliminary round by popular choice.

Thomas from 3W won the preliminary round for Years 3 and 4 with the picture book 'Superpoop' by Sam Harper. He named the book and author and spoke confidently when telling us what the book was about, showed the pictures and named the characters.

Not only did Thomas win the preliminary round, he went on to win overall when he went head to head against Jenia in the final.



School Book Fair

The Book Nook from Hove will be hosting a Book Fair in our school next Thursday 17th March. This will be taking place in the Small Hall from 2.50pm.

Author visit - Friday 18th March

We are looking forward to author, Sophy Henn, visiting the school next Friday 18th February. Sophie will be conducting an assembly for Years 2 to 4. All year groups will be given the opportunity to purchase one of her books and get it signed. You can still pre order a book at a 15% discount by clicking on the link below https://booknookuk.com/sophy-henn-school-events/

Charity donations for Refugees

As part of our RHSE, our children have been learning about charities. Due to the current conflicts in Ukraine, Year 5 have decided to support a local charity and help them gather donations for refugees. Astra Recycling will be collecting these from London Meed on Wednesday 16th March. Therefore, we will be taking in donations on Tuesday 15th after school (3-3.30pm) and Wednesday 16th before school (8.30-9.00am).

The items we have been asked to collect are: shoes, sleeping bags,torches,batteries,wound dressings, nappies, blankets, thermal flasks,backpacks,gloves,hats,tinned meat/fish/veg-toilet paper, towels, thermal clothing.

Many thanks,

Miss Parker and Mrs Smith - Year 5 Teachers



Red Nose Day

As it is Red Nose Day 2022 on 18.3.22,, we invite all children to wear their own clothes next Friday in exchange for a voluntary donation.

Year 1 Pirate Day



Last Friday,

Year 1 had the most exciting pirate day! The children looked fantastic (as did the staff!) in their pirate outfits and spent the day engaged in pirate activities. We had a treasure hunt that ended when we found a treasure chest full of chocolate coins. We made photographs of our faces into pirates by adding beards, hats and eye patches - we even made up our own pirate names! We did pirate P.E where we climbed the rigging, walked the plank and dived into the sea. Louis said, "I wish we could do this every Friday!".

Year 1 Team

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Zoo Boy by Sophie Thompson, illustrated by Rebecca Ashdown

"There was a boy who didn't like animals. One day Dad took him to work at the zoo. There he realised that he had a gift from his Grandpa Jacko, he could talk to animals. He was able to listen to what they wanted to eat and how they wanted to play. The penguin wanted lots and lots of fish fingers and the flamingo would only eat pink food!"

I would highly recommend this book because it is 'eye popping'. There are so many animals to find out about and you can even learn the sorry song!

3C Dahl's book review by Riley



Congratulations Leighton S!

Leighton S 3W was graded in Martial Arts with Matt Fiddes Martial Arts on the 26/2/22 and passed. Leighton is now a Yellow Belt which he received at his belt presentation on 5/3/22. Well done Leighton!



Cake Sale - 20th March

One of our parents, Mrs Hand, has asked us to share with you that the First Ash Beavers, which lots of

London Meed children attend, are holding a cake sale to raise money for those affected by the conflict in Ukraine.

The cake sale is on 20th of March 11-2pm, at 1st Burgess Hill Scout Hut on Station Road.All the money will go to the Red Cross appeal. Cakes, tea, coffee, squash will just be 50p-£1



We have lots of fun planned so if you'd like to find out more or book please visit kudizeclubltd.com



NSPCC guidance

A steady routine can help provide stability in a child's life, which can give children and young people a sense of security and help reduce stress. Here are some tips the NSPCC suggests:

- plan regular weekly activities, such as seeing friends and relatives or taking part in a club or hobby
- have regular mealtimes
- set and stick to bed times, particularly for younger children, as sleep is important for children's mental and physical wellbeing (NHS, 2020)
- establish a night time routine for younger children, such as reading a story before bed and working with older children to create a routine that works for them – including homework, seeing friends, extra-curricular activities and time offline.

The NSPCC website also has a range of information to help parents and carers support their child's mental health.

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/childre ns-mental-health/

Some parents and carers may feel unsure about how to talk to their child about feelings and emotions. Share the following pointers to help them start a conversation with their child:

• choose an appropriate time when others aren't around or where you won't be interrupted, actively listen to how your child feels, be patient and let your child talk in their own time to make it clear that you support them.

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Brighton & Hove Albion v Arsenal Ladies Football

To celebrate International Women's Day, we are inviting your affiliated clubs to attend our Women's Super League game at The People's Pension Stadium against Arsenal.The fixture against the league leaders will take place on Sunday 13 March, with a 6.45pm kick-off and we'd love you to join us to make it an atmosphere to remember! Having already broken the record attendance at our home ground in Crawley once this year, the women's side are looking to go one better by beating it again for the second time.

That's why we are inviting schools from across Sussex across all sports, to join us for what is set to be an exciting fixture.

Tickets are available to book now. Ticket prices are as follows;

- Book as a group of 10 or more and all tickets are £2
- Book as a family (2 adults + 2 U18s) for £15

• Book as an individual using the code 21 EUROREC for £1 off

• Adults from £6, Juniors/Concessions from £3 https://tickets.brightonandhovealbion.com/en-gb/cat egories/women?utm_source=wildcats&utm_medium= email&utm_campaign=women&dm_t=0,0,0,0,0

Please remember to send your child in their PE kits on their allocated PE day below. <u>Please note there has</u> <u>been a change in days for Apples and Cherries.</u>

Apples	Tuesday and Thursday
Cherries	Monday and Wednesday
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

<u>Key dates</u>

For up and coming key dates for this academic year please visit our website

https://www.londonmeedprimary.co.uk/website/calend ar/52708

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<u>Term Dates 2021-2022</u> For WSCC term dates please visit <u>https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/media/12668/2020-21</u> <u>term_dates.pdf</u>

Spring term 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

Academic Year 2022-2023 term dates including INSET Days

Please see below the term dates for the next academic year including our INSET days.

Autumn Term 2022

INSET DAY -Thursday 1st September Children return Friday 2nd September INSET DAY - Friday 21st October Half term 24th October to Friday 28th October Children return Monday 31st October Last day of term Friday 16th December

Spring term 2023

Starts Tuesday 3rd January INSET DAY - Friday 10th February Half term 13th February to 17th February Children return Monday 20th February Last day of term Friday 31st March

Summer term 2023

Starts Monday 17th April INSET DAY - Friday 26th May Half term 29th May to 2nd June INSET DAY Monday 5th June Last day of term Friday 21st July