## LONDON MEED PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER: Friday 27th September 2019

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Dear Parents/Carers,

#### **Developmental Language Disorder Awareness Day**

On Friday 18th October is it Developmental Language Disorder Awareness Day. Developmental Language Disorder (DLD) is diagnosed when children fail to acquire their own language for no obvious reason. This results in children who have difficulty understanding what people say to them, and struggle to articulate their ideas and feelings. Recent research has shown that, on average, two children in every class of thirty will experience some form of DLD.

As we have a Special Support Centre (SSC) for children with speech and language difficulties here at London Meed, we would like to invite all of the members of our school to take part in raising awareness of DLD. Therefore, on Friday 18th October, all children are invited to come to school wearing one piece of clothing, or accessory (socks, hair bands etc), that is either purple or yellow, these being the official colours of DLD awareness.

If you would like to know more about DLD then please either come and speak to me, or have a look at the DLD awareness website - https://radld.org/

# Open Day - 24th October

Our Open Day for children starting school in September 2020 is taking place on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 209. There will be one hour sessions taking place at 9.30am, 10.45am and 1.45pm. You will be able to see the school in action, meet children and staff and hear about our school. To book a place on a session please visit our school website

https://www.londonmeedprimary.co.uk/website/open day 24th october 2019 /420190

## **Flu Vaccinations in School**

Consent letters and information will be sent home today for all children to receive a Flu nasal spray.

Please return all consent forms to the school office by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October. Sussex Community NHS

Foundation Trust, Immunisation Service will visit our school on 7th November to administer the vaccine.

# Can unvaccinated contacts catch flu from the nasal spray droplets or from vaccinated individuals 'shedding' the virus?

The nasal spray vaccine has a good safety record and unvaccinated contacts are not at risk of catching flu from the vaccine, either through being in the same

room where flu vaccine has been given or by being in contact with a recently vaccinated individual.

Although vaccinated children are known to shed virus for a few days after vaccination, it is less able to spread from person to person than the natural infection. The amount of virus shed is normally below the levels needed to pass on infection to others and the virus does not survive for long outside of the body. This is in contrast to natural flu infection, which spreads easily during the flu season.

Excluding children from school during the period when the vaccine is being offered, or in the following weeks, is therefore not considered necessary. The only exception to this would be the tiny number of children who are extremely immunocompromised (for example those who have just had a bone marrow transplant). These children are normally advised not to attend school anyway because of the much higher risk of being in contact with other infections, including the natural flu infection, that spread in schools.



#### **Teeth Cleaning**

Attached is some information about preventing tooth decay in children. Also see below:

(a)Limiting sugar for under twos can lead to a lifetime of health benefits. For more information, visit https://www.acffglobal.org/wcffday/ #WCFFDay #CavityFree #ACFF #OralHealth

 ${\tt \#BabiesAreSweetEnough}$ 

(b)Brushing your child's teeth from an early age can help prevent cavities as they grow older. Visit https://www.acffglobal.org/wcffday/ for more useful tips on the fight against cavities. #WCFFDay #CavityFree #ACFF #OralHealth #BabiesAreSweetEnough

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

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# **Indian Workshop**

On Tuesday children in years 5 & 6 attended an Indian Music Workshop run by Steve from the West Sussex Music Service. Here are a few comments the children made:



Euan 6B "I really enjoyed it because I was allowed to play different instruments."

Lacie 6B "I loved it because we got the chance to play with instruments from a different culture."

Maddie 6B "Really exciting experience"

#### **Plea from The Orchard**

For parents of children in The Orchard, please ensure that children have a change of clothes in school at all times on their peg.

If anybody has spare or old boys or girls socks, tights, or pants they could donate to The Orchard, this would be gratefully appreciated.

A gentle reminder as well that if your child has been sent home in a school change of clothes, please endeavour to return these as soon as possible.

Kinds regards

The Orchard Staff

## **Gymnastic Acrobatic Competition.**

Poppy R from Year 4 entered into the Sussex Gymnastic Acrobatic Competition at the Triangle on Saturday 21st.



She was competing as part of a trio with two older girls from Triangle Gymnastics Club where she spends around 8 hours practising per week. The girls competed against 10 other trios from other clubs across Sussex. Whilst they did not get a podium finish, they put on a flawless display and were less than 1 point away from the winning team. Poppy loves the teamwork and physical nature of gymnastics and continues to work hard for the next competition in November. Well done Poppy! #creativity #respect



The booking for the disco will go live at 3pm on 20<sup>th</sup> September via our website booking system <a href="https://www.pta-events.co.uk/londonmeed">www.pta-events.co.uk/londonmeed</a> and will close at 3pm on 15th October (unless tickets sell out before). Please note there is are only 120 tickets for each disco.



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## **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

## **Term dates for your Diary**

11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	LMA Tea Party in the Owl room 2-3pm			
14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Deadline for Flu consent forms to be			
	returned to the school office.			
18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Developmental Language Disorder			
	Awareness Day – all children are invited to			
	come to school wearing one piece of			
	clothing, or accessory (socks, hair bands			
	etc), that is either purple or yellow, these			
	being the official colours of DLD			
	awareness.			
18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	LMA Festive Glitter Disco (full details to			
	follow)			
24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Open Day for children starting school in			
	Sept 2020			
25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	INSET DAY			
4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Individual photos and photos with siblings			
	who attend London Meed only			
5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Locality Football Tournament 1-5pm here			

7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Flu Vaccinations for children in years			
	Reception to Year 5 (details to follow)			
7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Flu nasal spray for all children			
	LMA AGM in the Owl room 7.30pm			
8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	LMA Quiz Night (full details to follow)			
12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Family Learning Conferences			
(Please	1-5.30pm for children in years 5-6			
note	Parent Consultations for children in all			
change of	other year groups 3-5.30pm			
date )				
14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Family Learning Conferences			
	3-6.30pm for children in years 5-6			
	Parent Consultations for children in all			
	other year groups 3-6.30pm			
30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	LMA Christmas Fayre			
17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS1 Production 2pm			
18th	KS1 Production 9.30am			
18 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS Production			
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS2 Carol Service 10am at St John's Church			
	Burgess Hill for children in years 3-6			
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School Christmas Lunch			
20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Party Day for the whole school			

## Term Dates 2019-2020

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