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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back from the half term break, it's good to see relaxed and happy faces for our final half term.

School Uniform

Please do what you can to maintain good school uniform right until the end of the academic year. Once one pupil starts wearing trainers, everyone thinks they can. They can't. School shoes should be uniformly black with no obvious logos – we encourage this to avoid 'pester power' for parents. Earrings should be plain studs, which must be covered or removed on PE days. Unbranded school white polo shirts and grey trousers/shorts/skirts can be bought at low cost from most supermarkets. Green checked/striped dresses can be worn with white socks if preferred. Even when the weather is very warm, do encourage your child to always wear socks at school because blisters can very quickly develop.

Charity Days

The Summer and Christmas Fairs, organised by our LMA, generate a huge amount of money. Every penny raised directly benefits the children. We do have three donation days in preparation for the Fairs and the dates for these are publicised well in advance.

A few parents have fed back to us that multiple donation days – either for money, or 'things' are not necessarily welcomed. We have very recently received multiple requests from parents and children for events to support other very worthy charities, but we also know that parents and children want us to mark national days such as Comic or Sports Relief and Children in Need day. In order not to overwhelm our school community with additional charity days, it might be helpful for those parents, wanting us to support other causes, to join the LMA, in order to harness their powers of persuasion and organisation. We do use materials and resources provided by NSPCC; WWF etc. to support our curriculum.

Eco-schools

Mr Terrill's team have done a great job of raising the profile of climate change and our responsibilities in relation to this in school. We have heard we have achieved Eco-Schools BRONZE status, which is a positive step in the right direction. Children are being encouraged to now consider how we can reduce air pollution outside our school gates caused by traffic.

New Parents Evening

Around 60 parents attended, in order to have an introduction to our school. Mrs S put together a super presentation about the work of the LMA which can be found on our website:http://www.londonmeedprimary.co.uk/website/come_and_join_the_london_meed_association/355175 All the staff who attended were incredibly proud of our school, supportive parental community and our lovely pupils. Thank you hugely to staff and the LMA.

Young Carers

London Meed School is reaching out to families where there may be one of our pupils who from time to time undertakes some responsibility caring for an adult. Does this sound like your family? If so, please get in touch with Mr Viinikka so that we can better support your child. More information is available on Young Carers at <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/young-carers/>

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

Other News

Class and leavers photos

Photo proofs have been sent home this week. Please ensure all orders are submitted to the school office by Monday 24th June. Any orders after this date will need to be sent direct to Astracolour and there will be a late payment charge. Many thanks.

Our battery collection has now finished

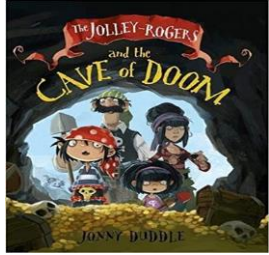


A big thank you to all parents and pupils who have helped us to collect and safely recycle batteries over the last few months. We managed to collect an outstanding 8,450 batteries, so well done!



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Book Review

The Jolly-Rogers and the cave of doom

Author: Jonny Duddle

It's a hilarious story about an ordinary young girl, Matilda and her pirate friends. Her best friend is Jim Lad with his little dog Bones. My

favourite part is where the Jolly- Rogers walk into a cave of treasure with a spell cast on it by sea witches and the Jolly Rogers are temporarily paralysed. It's up to Matilda to save them. Aaron B – 5PE



Donation Days – Wild West Fest

Please note the list of donation days for our Summer Fayre on the 15th June. We would welcome any of the donations listed below from Y6 children on Friday 7th June as they are on their residential trip the week of the 10th June. Thank you the LMA.

Help required for the Wild West Fest



Join us on World Environment Day and take action now to reduce the impact of Climate Change in West Sussex

Make the West Sussex Climate Pledge



A major campaign to encourage us all to play a part in reducing the impact of climate change has been launched today by the County Council.

The West Sussex Climate Pledge asks everyone in the county to commit to making small changes in key areas:

- Make low carbon journeys – reducing carbon emissions and improving air quality.
- Save water and energy – conserving the resources around us and opting for renewable energy where possible.
- Pass on plastic – avoiding single-use plastics and recycling wherever possible.
- Shop local – using local produce, from local stores, to support the economy and cut down on the distance goods are transported.
- Fight against food waste – avoiding the waste time and energy it takes to produce food and the cost and environmental impact of disposal.

With over 850,000 people living in West Sussex we can all work together to make a change.

Find out more and make your pledge by:

- Visiting www.westsussex.gov.uk/maketheclimatepledge
- Signing up to receive the Climate Pledge [newsletter](#)
- Joining the Facebook group 'WS Climate Pledge'
- Searching for #WSClimatePledge or following [@WSClimatePledge](https://twitter.com/WSClimatePledge) on Twitter.



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Term dates for your Diary

Month of May	Test month
Week of 10 th June	Y6 Residential trip to Liddington
Monday 10 th June	Non uniform in exchange for donations of bottles, soft or alcoholic
Friday 14 June	Break a rule day (full uniform) – Break a rule in in exchange for donations of wrapped sweets. Full uniform and then your child can either paint your nails, wear crazy socks / tights, colour spray or wear crazy hair or wear your trainers -
Friday 14 th June	We welcome homemade cakes. Please detail the ingredients contained in the cakes for people who have severe allergies.
19 th June	Area Sports at TBHA 12.30-3.15pm, invitation only
21st June	No Celebration assembly
24th June	Deadline for photo orders
25th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y2 visiting Manor Field for Little Big Sing - 9-12pm Y4 Trip to Smugglers Cove and The Blue Aquarium in Hastings Stay and Play in the Orchard for children with a surname starting A-L starting school in September 2019 3.30-4.30pm
27th June	Y5 Trip to the Big Bang at Ardingly.
Week of 1st July	Y6 Bikeability week.
2nd July	KS2 Big Sing at Manor Field 9.30-11.30am. Invitation only.
2nd July	Stay and Play in the Orchard for children with a surname starting M-Z starting school in September 2019 3.30-4.30pm
3rd July	Secondary Transition day for Y6
3rd July	Drop N Go session for children starting school in September Surname A-L 9.15-10.15am Surname M-Z 10.45-11.45am
3rd July	Transition day for children to meet their new teacher at 10.45am - 11.45am

5 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y3 Trip to Smugglers Cove and The Blue Aquarium in Hastings Reception trip to Drusillas
12th July	Sports Day from 1.15pm
17th July	Y2 Fab Finish at 2pm KS2/Y6 Leavers production at 5.15pm
18th July	KS2/Y6 Leavers production at 6pm
19 th July	Save the date - EYFS end of year celebration from 1.30pm. Invites to follow in due course.
22nd July	9-9.45am Y6 Awards – Y6 parents/carers are welcome to attend. 7pm Y6 Leavers event in the small hall for pupils only.
23rd July	Last day of school.

Term Dates 2019-2020

	First Day of Term	Half Term	Last Day of Term
Autumn Term 2019	Mon 2nd Sept 2019	w/c 28th Oct 2019	Fri 10th Dec 2019
	Inset Days: - Mon 2nd September 2019 Fri 25th October 2019		
Spring Term 2020	Mon 6th Jan 2020	w/c 17th Feb 2020	Friday 3 rd April 2020
	Inset Day:- Friday 24th February 2020		
Summer Term 2020	Mon 20th April 2020	w/c 25 th May 2020	Mon 20th July 2020
	Inset Days: - Monday 1st June 2020 Monday 20th July 2020		