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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, the cold weather is certainly beginning to set in after a very a long hot summer! Please can you ensure your children bring a jumper and winter coat into school please. All lunches will now be eaten in the hall but children will need coats for playing outside.

Can you also please ensure that all items are clearly labelled with first and surnames so that we can return any lost property to its rightful owners!

Best Wishes

Edward Harrison & Odele Davies

Multi Skills Festival

Earlier this week a few of our Year 4 children went to South Downs College to take part in a Multi Skills festival. The children took part in football, golf, basketball, an obstacle course, boccia and curling. Points were awarded for each activity and the children showed excellent team work and determination throughout the morning. All of the children were awarded certificates that will be handed out in assembly.

Christmas Decorations Invitation

On Wednesday 5th December we would like to invite you to join the children in making our annual hall decorations! There will be Christmas music and hopefully lots of laughter, so we really hope that you are able to join us.

Once the decorations are complete, Mr Brum will hang them in the hall which creates a beautiful back drop for all of our festive celebrations to come.



CD Recording

Last week our children recorded their very own CD which is going to raise funds for a school defibrillator. This vital piece of medical equipment could one day save a life, so we are very grateful to all the parents and carers who have pre-ordered a copy.



Remembrance Tea Party

On Friday 9th November our Year 5 children took part in a Remembrance Assembly and then hosted a tea party for some of our veteran guests. The morning events were enjoyed by all and the children were very respectful throughout. Well done year 5!



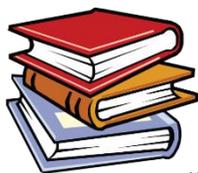
Special Mention Box

For children who have helped look after their school environment...

**Archie (Lime); Harrison (Chestnut),
Amelia (Willow); Erin (Maple); Evie (Oak);
James (Alder); Sophia (Birch); Imogen (Elm);
Chloe (Beech)**



Book Fayre This Week!



This week is Book Fayre week and as always we would be very grateful for parent and carer volunteers to help set up and assist with the sale. Every book sold raises valuable funds for the school and we require help during lunch breaks and at the end of the school day. If you are able to offer some of your time please contact the school office.

Year 4 & Drama Club Christmas Production

This year our Christmas performance will be 'The Nutcracker'. Due to health and safety restrictions in the hall, we are only able to offer tickets to parents and carers of year 4 children and Drama Club students. There will be two evening performances on Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th December, and already the children are working hard to make it another memorable MJS production!



FOMS Meeting – Friday 30th November

Everyone who cares for a child at MJS can consider themselves a 'Friend of Mengham Junior School' (FOMS). The aim of the group is to enhance the children's time at the school and it's your opportunity to get involved whilst having some fun at the same time.

FOMS organises fun activities to raise valuable funds for the school and they are always on the lookout for new helpers. The next FOMS meeting is on Friday 30th November at 2pm so please come along!



A Request from the Office

Our office ladies are always happy to go above and beyond to help busy mums, dads, grannies, grandads and carers, especially when it means safeguarding the children and making sure they all get home safely at the end of the day. However, if you do have a 'going home' message for your child please can you let the office know as soon as possible, and always before 3pm. At the moment the office is inundated with messages and phone calls in the last 20 minutes of the school day, making it very difficult to communicate with all the children before the bell goes! Thank you for your understanding.

Christingle Service

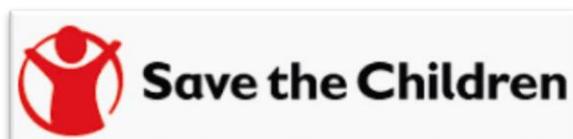
On Tuesday 11th December at 10am our Year 3 children will be taking part in the Christingle Service at Hayling College. All parents and carers are welcome to attend and if you think you may be able to assist in walking the children to and from the College please advise the office ladies.

Year 3 children have brought home Christingle Collection Boxes, so if you can spare a few coins please drop your donations back to the school office before Tuesday 11th. Thank you for your continued support.



Christmas Jumper Day

On Friday 14th December we would like to ask that all children (and staff!) wear their Christmas jumpers in return for £1. This annual charity event helps to raise funds for Save the Children – an amazing charity that helps protect children, give them a healthy start and the chance to learn.



Important Dates

Wed 28 th Nov	Science Workshop (Yr 4)
Fri 30 th Nov	Sleepover Assembly (Yr 3)
Tues 4 th Dec	Flu Vaccinations (Yrs 3, 4 & 5)
Wed 5 th Dec	Christmas Decorations
Fri 7 th Dec	Beech Class Assembly
Mon 10 th Dec	Karate Festival (Yr 3) <i>Letter to follow</i>
Tues 11 th Dec	Christingle (Yr 3) <i>Letter to follow</i>
Wed 12 th Dec	Christmas Performance (dress rehearsal) 2pm Christmas Performance 6pm
Thu 13 th Dec	Christmas Performance 6pm
Fri 14 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Sat 15 th Dec	Hi5 Christmas Fayre
Thu 20 th Dec	Christmas Fayre 3:30 – 4:30pm
Fri 21 st Dec	Christmas Lunch / Last day of term

Inset Days 2018/2019: 7th Jan; 21st Jun; 24th June